

The House met at 4:00 P.M.

Prayers.

### **PRESENTING AND READING PETITIONS**

Hon. M. Scott, Cumberland South, tabled a petition concerning a correctional centre in Cumberland County.

Hon. B. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect, tabled a petition calling for annual motor vehicle inspections.

### **TABLING REPORTS, REGULATIONS AND OTHER PAPERS**

Hon. C. Parker, Speaker, tabled the Elections Nova Scotia - Statement of Votes & Financial Information, Antigonish and Inverness By-elections - October 20, 2009.

### **GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION**

Pursuant to the order, the following notices were passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 427 - Hon. R. Landry, Minister of Justice - recognizing National Victims of Crime Awareness Week.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 428 - Hon. B. Estabrooks, Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure Renewal, on behalf of Hon. M. More, Minister of Education - recognizing volunteers during Volunteer Week.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 429 - Hon. B. Estabrooks, Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure Renewal - recognizing the work of those involved with the Fairview Overpass replacement project.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 430 - Hon. Maureen MacDonald, Minister of Health - recognizing the importance of organ and tissue donations.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 431 - Hon. P. Paris, Minister of African Nova Scotian Affairs - recognizing Willie O'Ree as the first person of African descent to play in the National Hockey League and for receiving the Order of Canada.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 432 - Hon. R. Jennex, Minister of Emergency Management - recognizing Sherry Veinot on being chose Volunteer of the Year for her work with the Lunenburg County Ground Search and Rescue and with Victim Services for the RCMP and Bridgewater Police Service.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 433 - Hon. D. Dexter, Premier - recognizing Earth Day on April 22<sup>nd</sup> and encouraging Nova Scotians to participate.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

#### **INTRODUCTION OF BILLS**

The following bills were introduced by the following Members, read a first and ordered to be read a second time on a future day:

**No. 35. An Act Respecting Provincial Financial Administration**

**(Hon. G. Steele - Minister of Finance)**

**No. 36. An Act to Amend Chapter 148 of the Revised Statutes, 1989, the Engineering Profession Act**

**(Hon. R. Landry - Minister of Justice)**

**NOTICES OF MOTION**

Pursuant to the order, the following notices were passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 434 - Hon. W. Gaudet, Clare - acknowledging National Volunteer Week and extending appreciation to Nova Scotia's volunteers.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 435 - Hon. K. Casey, Leader of the Progressive Conservative Party - recognizing Education Week and this year's theme of Equity in Education: Supporting all Students.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 436 - Hon. J. MacDonell, Hants East - recognizing Len Giffen for his 40 years of service to the Milford and District Lions Club.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 437 - Hon. Manning MacDonald, Cape Breton South - imploring the Minister of Community Services to explain why she deserves a tax cut.

Res. No. 438 - K. Bain, Victoria-The Lakes - recognizing the fundraising of St. James Presbyterian Church for the Cape Breton Cancer Centre.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 439 - Hon. S. Belliveau, Shelburne - recognizing singer/songwriter Lynne Crowell for her dedication to music that has enriched the lives of her community.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 440 - A. Younger, Dartmouth East - recognizing

Education Week.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 441 - Hon. M. Scott, Cumberland South - recognizing the MLA for Timberlea-Prospect on wearing a Leafs tie after losing a wager with the MLA from Cumberland South.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 442 - L. Preyra, Halifax Citadel-Sable Island - recognizing webmaster Jamie Benoit on winning a Bonjour! Award for Excellence in French-language Services.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 443 - K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove - recognizing Jean Woodworth on being named Bedford 2010 Adult Volunteer of the Year.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 444 - Hon. M. Scott, Cumberland South - recognizing Cumberland County Blues on winning the Nova Scotia Junior B Hockey League Championship.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 445 - B. Skabar, Cumberland North - congratulating Aquashell Holdings for receiving an investment through the Community Development Trust Fund.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 446 - Hon. K. Colwell, Preston - recognizing Kerri Johnson-Thompson for her dedication to the children at East Preston Day Care Centre.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 447 - Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle - recognizing Ruth LeBlanc on receiving the Municipality of Argyle's Volunteer of the Year award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 448 - J. Morton, Kings North - recognizing the Silver Gliders Skating Club on their 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 449 - A. MacLeod, Cape Breton West - recognizing Father Joe Gillis on his 80<sup>th</sup> birthday.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 450 - L. Glavine, Kings West - recognizing the Soil Conservation Council of Canada on the important role they play in protecting the soil on farmlands.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 451 - J. Boudreau, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour - recognizing the Sherbrooke Branch of the Women's Institute on their 95<sup>th</sup> birthday.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 452 - K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove - recognizing Rachel Gullage on being named Bedford's 2010 Youth Volunteer of the Year.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 453 - Hon. C. Clarke, Cape Breton North - recognizing

Emma Simpson on winning the national “My Hero Contest”.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days’ notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 454 - Hon. K. Colwell, Preston - imploring the Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure Renewal to explain why he deserves a tax cut.

Res. No. 455 - Hon. K. Casey, Leader of the Progressive Conservative Party - recognizing Mike Belliveau on receiving two Community Leadership Awards in the categories of health and non-profit.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days’ notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 456 - D. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - recognizing National Organ and Tissue Donor Awareness Week.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days’ notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 457 - A. MacLeod, Cape Breton West - recognizing Bruce and Gloria Jean Aiken on founding the Cape Breton International Drum Festival.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days’ notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 458 - Hon. W. Gaudet, Clare - recognizing Simon Comeau on receiving the Scouting Medal of the Maple Award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days’ notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 459 - K. Bain, Victoria-The Lakes - recognizing the fundraising efforts of the Scotchtown Fire Department.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days’ notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 460 - D. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - recognizing Alex Maine on the success of the inaugural Haliwards.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 461 - L. Glavine, Kings West - imploring the Minister of Agriculture to explain why he deserves a tax cut.

### **SUPPLY UNTO HER MAJESTY**

On motion that the House resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole House on Supply, a debate ensued during which the following took part: L. Glavine and Hon. C. Clarke. The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the motion carried nem con.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

The Chairman took the chair of the Committee.

On motion, the adjourned debate on the following Resolution was then resumed:

No. E-12, relating to the Department of Health Promotion and Protection. STOOD.

On motion the following Resolution was called:

No. E-23, relating to Government Offices. STOOD.

On motion, the Committee rose and Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair. The Chairman reported that the Committee had made some progress and begged leave to sit again.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to meet Tuesday, April 20<sup>th</sup> at 12:00 Noon.

### **NOTICES OF MOTION UNDER RULE 32**

The following notices were passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 462 - Hon. K. Casey, Leader of the Progressive Conservative Party - congratulating Big Brothers Big Sisters of Colchester on their Kids-n-Kops.

Res. No. 463 - Hon. K. Casey, Leader of the Progressive Conservative Party - congratulating Doug McMaster on being chosen Volunteer of the Year for 2010.

Res. No. 464 - Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle - congratulating Mount Saint Vincent University basketball player Jeremy Skidmore on being named Atlantic Colleges Athletic Association Player of the Week.

Res. No. 465 - Hon. C. Clarke, Cape Breton North - congratulating Eric Favaro and his team on a successful East Coast Music Association Awards.