

The House met at 4:00 P.M.

Prayers.

GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION

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

Res. No. 1182 – Hon. M. More, Minister of Labour and Advanced Education – recognizing this week as Building Safety Week.

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

Res. No. 1183 – Hon. P. Paris, Minister of African Nova Scotian Affairs – congratulating Sherri Borden Colley on her story of Viola Desmond titled *Unintentional Activist* and her nomination for a 2010 Canadian Association of Journalist Award.

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

Res. No. 1184 – Hon. J. MacDonell, Minister of Agriculture – recognizing the importance of our provincial berry, the wild blueberry.

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

Res. No. 1185 – Hon. D. Peterson-Rafuse, Minister of Community Services – commending foster families on Foster Family Recruitment Week and encouraging others to open their homes and hearts.

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

Res. No. 1186 – Hon. D. Dexter, Premier – congratulating Irving Shipbuilding Company on being named the highest-ranked shipyard in the country.

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

Res. No. 1187 – Hon. D. Dexter, Premier – extending condolences

to the family, friends and colleagues of Willard Boyle, who received the Nobel Prize.

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. 62. An Act to Amend Chapter 39 of the Acts of 2008, the Halifax Regional Municipality Charter

(Hon. D. Dexter - President of the Executive Council)

No. 63. An Act to Promote Education Respecting Concussion in Sports

(C. Porter - Hants West)

NOTICES OF MOTION

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

Res. No. 1188 – Hon. D. Wilson, Sackville-Cobequid, on behalf of Hon. G. Gosse, Cape Breton Nova – recognizing and congratulating the Canadian Corps of Commissionaires, Master Warrant Officer Robin Vinnedge on his promotion to the rank of Captain.

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

Res. No. 1189 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North – congratulating Deputy Chief John McKay on receiving the Carl King Officer 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. 1190 – Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle, on behalf of Hon. J. Baillie, Cumberland South – honouring the life of Willard Boyle, a Nobel laureate from Amherst.

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

Res. No. 1191 – B. Kent, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage – honouring the long and vibrant life of George Brown, who passed away at the age of 103 years.

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

Res. No. 1192 – L. Glavine, Kings West – congratulating the community of Berwick and surrounding area as recipients of the 2011 Lieutenant Governor Community Spirit Award.

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

Res. No. 1193 – Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle – recognizing May as Caregiver Awareness Month.

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

Res. No. 1194 – M. Raymond, Halifax Atlantic – commending the Victoria General Hospital School of Nursing Alumni Association on 91 years of continued service to Nova Scotia.

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

Res. No. 1195 – K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating Aaliyah Arab Smith on being runner-up in the button design contest.

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

Res. No. 1196 – A. MacMaster, Inverness – acknowledging the concerns of the people of St. Joseph du Moine, Grand-Étang, Chéticamp and surrounding areas regarding the upgrading of roads.

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

Res. No. 1197 – M. Whynott, Hammonds Plains-Upper Sackville –

congratulating the Sackville Flyers Boys Midget AA hockey team and coaches on winning the 2010-11 Nova Scotia Provincial Midget AA title.

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

Res. No. 1198 – Hon. S. McNeil, Annapolis – recognizing the 225th anniversary of the Charitable Irish Society of Halifax.

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

Res. No. 1199 – C. Porter, Hants West – congratulating Sandra Hogan on receiving the Municipality of West Hants 2011 Volunteer Award.

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

Res. No. 1200 – P. Birdsall, Lunenburg – recognizing Peer Gallery for exposing Nova Scotia artists and congratulating Barbara McLean on the opening of her show *Old Ground/New Ground*.

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

Res. No. 1201 – A. Younger, Dartmouth East – congratulating six-year-old William Bate on winning 1st place across Canada in an international on-line spelling bee and placing 46th in the world.

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

Res. No. 1202 – K. Bain, Victoria-The Lakes – celebrating the creativity, innovation and determination of Polytech Vinyl Windows and Doors.

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

Res. No. 1203 – Hon. C. Parker, Pictou West – congratulating Clara Halfpenny who was part of a group of young writers who wrote a one-act play *While It Lasts*.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days'

notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1204 – Hon. S. McNeil, Annapolis – congratulating Inspiring Lives 2011 nominees on their outstanding contributions.

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

Res. No. 1205 – Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle – applauding the efforts of students at St. Mary's Elementary School in the World Literacy Reading WOW Challenge.

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

Res. No. 1206 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North – congratulating Chester Sabean on receiving his 40-year Long-Service Award.

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

Res. No. 1207 – A. MacMaster, Inverness – acknowledging the concerns of the Acadian region of northern Inverness County on restoring their Service Canada Community Office.

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

Res. No. 1208 – D. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park – thanking Killam Properties for encouraging the expansion of the arts in their community and financial contribution.

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

Res. No. 1209 – C. Porter, Hants West – congratulating Victoria Sullivan on her award-winning poster.

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

Res. No. 1210 – Hon. K. Colwell, Preston – congratulating Shalyn Williams on her academic and historical achievements.

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

Res. No. 1211 – K. Bain, Victoria-The Lakes – congratulating St. Ann's and North Shore on receiving the Lieutenant Governor's Community Spirit Award.

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

Res. No. 1212 – G. MacLellan, Glace Bay – congratulating those involved with the Miner's Museum in Glace Bay on their 44th year of showcasing our history to the world.

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

Res. No. 1213 – Z. Churchill, Yarmouth – congratulating Yarmouth on its 250th anniversary and recognizing the important contributions to the history, economy and culture of Nova Scotia.

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

Res. No. 1214 – H. Theriault, Digby-Annapolis – congratulating John Roswell, founder of the Digby Clare Mental Health Association on receiving the Inspiring Lives Award.

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

Res. No. 1215 – D. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park – congratulating the organizers of the Italian Canadian Cultural Association on a wonderful evening celebrating the 150th anniversary of Italy's unification.

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

Res. No. 1216 – A. Younger, Dartmouth East – requesting the NDP support calls for a value audit of Nova Scotia Power prior to rate increases.

Res. No. 1217 – L. Glavine, Kings West – acknowledging May 9th to 15th as National Nursing Week.

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

Res. No. 1218 – Z. Churchill, Yarmouth – congratulating the Yarmouth Consolidated Memorial High School robotics team on winning first place at the Robots East 2011 competition.

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

Res. No. 1219 – K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating Annika Benson on winning the magazine ad contest for 2010 Nova Scotia Recycles Contest.

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

Res. No. 1220 – G. MacLellan, Glace Bay – congratulating Tova Sherman and Heather Cunningham on the success of the Community Garden.

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

Res. No. 1221 – Hon. M. Samson, Richmond – calling on the NDP government to invest in Legal Aid program and raise the income cap for low-income Nova Scotians access to legal representation.

Res. No. 1222 – Hon. M. Samson, Richmond – calling on the Minister of Justice to cap parenting assessments with the justification for another blow to low-income Nova Scotia families.

PUBLIC BILLS

Hon. R. Landry, Minister of Justice, moved second reading of the following bill:

No. 59. Elections Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Hon. S. McNeil, C. Porter, K. Regan, Hon. J. Baillie, A. Younger, Hon. C. d'Entremont, who adjourned the debate.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to meet Tuesday, May 10th at 12:00 Noon.

NOTICES OF MOTION UNDER RULE 32

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

Res. No. 1223 – D. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park – congratulating Jillian Burk on receiving the Lieutenant Governor's Award.

Res. No. 1224 – Hon. W. Gaudet, Clare – congratulating Patrick Comeau on receiving the Medal of the Maple Award.

Res. No. 1225 – Hon. W. Gaudet, Clare – congratulating André Saulnier on receiving the Medal of the Maple Award.

Res. No. 1226 – Hon. W. Gaudet, Clare – congratulating Elise Comeau on receiving the Medal of the Maple Award.