

The House met at 7:00 P.M.

Prayers.

### **INTRODUCTION OF NEW MEMBER**

Hon. J. Baillie, Leader of the Progressive Conservative Party, addressed The Speaker as follows:

“Mr. Speaker, I have the honour to present to you Mr. Eddie Orrell from the electoral district of Cape Breton North. He has taken his oath, signed the roll and now claims the right to take his seat.”

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

Hon. G. Gosse, Speaker, tabled two reports from the Chief Electoral Officer: Statement of Votes & Financial Information Cumberland South By-election, October 26, 2010 and Political Contributions Regime, Annual Report January 1, 2010 to December 31, 2010.

### **STATEMENTS BY MINISTERS**

Hon. D. Dexter, Premier, rose to announce as the Minister of Aboriginal Affairs to speak on the Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada and Shubenacadie Residential School and announced a scholarship from the Province for Mi'kmaq students becoming teachers.

Comments were made by Hon. S. McNeil and Hon. J. Baillie.

### **GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION**

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

Res. No. 1844 – Hon. D. Dexter, Premier – thanking the Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada and survivors sharing their experiences.

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

Res. No. 1845 – Hon. D. Dexter, Premier – sharing a moment of silence on the passing of Jack Layton, a great man, leader and Canadian.

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

Res. No. 1846 – Hon. Mr. Corbett, Government House Leader – appointing a Select Committee for the Electoral Boundaries Commission.

Res. No. 1847 – Hon. Maureen MacDonald, Minister of Health and Wellness – recognizing the importance of respiratory therapists.

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

Res. No. 1848 – Hon. R. Jennex, Minister of Education – thanking everyone involved with helping young people from the effects of cyberbullying.

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

Res. No. 1849 – Hon. S. Belliveau, Minister of Fisheries and Aquaculture – acknowledging the passing of Harold Huskison, a former cabinet minister and former member of the House of Assembly for 23 years.

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

A moment of silence was observed.

Res. No. 1850 – Hon. C. Parker, Minister of Natural Resources – acknowledging the volunteer service of the Campground Host Program.

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. 65. An Act Relating to the Nova Scotia Jobs Fund**

**(Hon. P. Paris – Minister of Economic and Rural Development and Tourism)**

- No. 66. An Act to Require the Accountability of Nova Scotia Power Incorporated to Ratepayers**  
(A. Younger - Dartmouth East)
- No. 67. An Act to Regulate the Sale of Scrap Copper and Certain Other Scrap Metal**  
(A. MacMaster - Inverness)
- No. 68. An Act to Amend Chapter 380 of the Revised Statutes, 1989, the Public Utilities Act, Respecting Eliminating Bonuses in Power Rates**  
(C. Porter - Hants West)
- No. 69. An Act to Amend Chapter 380 of the Revised Statutes, 1989, the Public Utilities Act, Respecting Transparency in Power Rates**  
(C. Porter - Hants West)
- No. 70. An Act to Amend Chapter 380 of the Revised Statutes, 1989, the Public Utilities Act, Respecting Ratepayer Fairness**  
(C. Porter - Hants West)

#### NOTICES OF MOTION

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

Res. No. 1851 – Hon. S. McNeil, Leader of the Official Opposition – extending sympathy to family and friends of Harold Huskilson.

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

Res. No. 1852 – Hon. J. Baillie, Leader of the Progressive Conservative Party – remembering the election of 1956 and the contributions of Premier Robert L. Stanfield.

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

Res. No. 1853 – M. Whynott, Hammonds Plains-Upper Sackville – congratulating Nathan Beeler on receiving the Prime Minister's Award for Teaching Excellence.

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

Res. No. 1854 – Hon. S. McNeil, Annapolis – acknowledging October 19<sup>th</sup> as a great day for shipbuilding.

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

Res. No. 1855 – K. Bain, Victoria-The Lakes – congratulating the new member for Cape Breton North on his by-election victory.

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

Res. No. 1856 – Hon. B. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect – offering best wishes for the Bay Ducks Hockey Junior B Champions.

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

Res. No. 1857 – Hon. Manning MacDonald, Cape Breton South – urging the NDP government to give up the tax-on-tax attack on Nova Scotians.

Res. No. 1858 – Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle – condemning the NDP government for raiding the pocketbooks of Nova Scotians.

Res. No. 1859 – Hon. D. Peterson-Rafuse, Chester-St. Margaret's – congratulating all volunteers and staff on Tim Hortons Camp Day.

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

Res. No. 1860 – K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – agreeing the NDP government is the scariest in memory, all tricks and no treats.

Res. No. 1861 – A. MacLeod, Cape Breton West – thanking the Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada for honouring the survivors.

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

Res. No. 1862 – J. Morton, Kings North – congratulating Marjorie and Jim Smith and volunteers with the Canning Community Fair.

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

Res. No. 1863 – L. Glavine, Kings West – asking the Minister of Health and Wellness to recognize the impact her cuts have on patient care.

Res. No. 1864 – A. MacMaster, Inverness – condemning NDP government while families struggle to make ends meet.

Res. No. 1865 – L. Preyra, Halifax Citadel-Sable Island – recognizing Universalist Unitarian Church of Halifax and 2011 PEACE symposium for their commitment.

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

Res. No. 1866 – D. Whalen, Halifax-Clayton Park – congratulating Phoenix Prevention Program on their award.

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

Res. No. 1867 – E. Orrell, Cape Breton North – extending condolences to family and friends on the passing of Senator Bob Muir.

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

Res. No. 1868 – L. Zann, Truro-Bible Hill – congratulating Cavanagh's Food Market for 55 years of service.

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

Res. No. 1869 – Hon. W. Gaudet, Clare – urging NDP government to end campaign for higher taxes.

Res. No. 1870 – C. Porter, Hants West – congratulating the HMCS Charlottetown on their efforts in the Libyan conflict.

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

Res. No. 1871 – V. Conrad, Queens – congratulating the Tobetic Research Institute on their grand opening.

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

Res. No. 1872 – Hon. M. Samson, Richmond – reminding the NDP government a promise broken is a promise broken.

Res. No. 1873 – Hon. J. Baillie, Cumberland South – agreeing higher prices and lower wages are taking Nova Scotia in wrong direction.

Res. No. 1874 – Hon. D. Wilson, Sackville-Cobequid – commending volunteers on assisting with Special Olympics Nova Scotia's annual Summer Games.

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

Res. No. 1875 – A. Younger, Dartmouth East – congratulating Crucial Catch on raising double the amount for the Canadian Cancer Society.

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

Res. No. 1876 – K. Bain, Victoria-The Lakes – congratulating the federal Conservative Government on a fair process on the \$25 billion shipbuilding contract.

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

Res. No. 1877 – C. MacKinnon, Pictou East – recognizing Paul Budreski, Tye Zinck, Chief Wadden and members of Little Harbour Fire

Department in rescuing the girls caught in an undertow at the beach.

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

Res. No. 1878 – A. Younger, Dartmouth East – welcoming everyone back to the Legislature.

Res. No. 1879 – Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle – condemning the NDP policies for shrinking Nova Scotia's labour force.

Res. No. 1880 – M. Raymond, Halifax Atlantic – wishing trick or treaters happy trails and congratulations in collecting for people in need.

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

Res. No. 1881 – Hon. K. Colwell, Preston – congratulating Jason Downey recipient of the Male Individual Athlete 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. 1882 – A. MacLeod, Cape Breton West – urging Minister of Health and Wellness to make good on promise to move forward on M.S. clinical trials.

Res. No. 1883 – M. Smith, Antigonish – congratulating Eileen Haskett and other recipients of the Pengrowth-Nova Scotia Energy Scholarships.

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

Res. No. 1884 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North – congratulating Nova Scotia Federation of Home and School Associations on celebrating their 75<sup>th</sup> year.

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

Res. No. 1885 – A. MacMaster, Inverness – agreeing policies of the NDP government are reasons young people are leaving the province.

Res. No. 1886 – B. Skabar, Cumberland North – thanking and honouring Art Foster for his many years of contributions.

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

Res. No. 1887 – Z. Churchill, Yarmouth – congratulating Lena Fevens on recently being named a 2011 Student Entrepreneur Nova Scotia Champion.

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

Res. No. 1888 – E. Orrell, Cape Breton North – recognizing the Irving Shipbuilding workers on their work ethics and skills.

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

Res. No. 1889 – P. Birdsall, Lunenburg – congratulating Ironworks Distillery on winning the New Business Award.

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

Res. No. 1890 – H. Theriault, Digby-Annapolis – congratulating Dr. Clark Fraser on induction into 2012 Canadian Medical Hall of Fame.

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

Res. No. 1891 – C. Porter, Hants West – agreeing the NDP's plan comes up short and threatens jobs at Bowater Mersey.

Res. No. 1892 – G. Burrill, Colchester-Musquodoboit Valley – remembering Moose River cave-in and rescue on their 75<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. 1893 – K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – expressing condolences to the family of the late John F. "Jack" Cruickshank.

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



notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1894 – Z. Churchill, Yarmouth – urging the NDP to reconsider their ghastly policies.

Res. No. 1895 – D. Whalen, Halifax-Clayton Park – condemning the NDP Government for increasing the cost of everyday items.

Res. No. 1896 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North – requesting the Minister of Education to stop cuts to the public education funding.

Res. No. 1897 – H. Theriault, Digby-Annapolis – congratulating Giny Proulx on winning the Outstanding Gardener 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. 1898 – L. Glavine, Kings West – asking Minister of Health and Wellness how a 3% cut will not impact patient care.

Res. No. 1899 – Hon. M. Samson, Richmond – congratulating Constable Megan Bremner, Crystal Dorton and the Nova Scotia Women's Baseball Team on their success.

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

### **GOVERNMENT MOTIONS**

On motion, the adjourned debate on the Address in Reply was resumed. The debate continued with E. Orrell, Cape Breton North, and G. Ramey, Lunenburg West, who adjourned the debate.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to meet Tuesday, November 1<sup>st</sup> at 2:00 P.M.