

The House met at 12:00 Noon.

Prayers.

PRESENTING AND READING PETITIONS

A. MacLeod, Cape Breton West, tabled a petition requesting additional funding for Victoria Regional School Board.

GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION

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

Res. No. 659 – Hon. M. More, Minister responsible for the Advisory Council on the Status of Women Act – acknowledging May as Sexual Assault Awareness Month.

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

Res. No. 660 – Hon. B. Estabrooks, Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure Renewal – encouraging caution during Motorcycle Safety Awareness Month.

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

Res. No. 661 – Hon. Maureen MacDonald, Minister of Health and Wellness – congratulating Healthy Eating Nova Scotia 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. 662 – Hon. P. Paris, Minister of African Nova Scotian Affairs – congratulating Sergeant Craig Smith on receiving the Harry Jerome Award.

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

Res. No. 663 – Hon. Maureen MacDonald, Minister of Gaelic Affairs – recognizing Gaelic Awareness Month.

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 bill was introduced by the following Member, read a first and ordered to be read a second time on a future day:

No. 70. An Act to Require Clinical Trials Respecting Multiple Sclerosis Liberation Therapy

(A. MacLeod – Cape Breton West)

NOTICES OF MOTION

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

Res. No. 664 – K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – recognizing this month as Sexual Assault Awareness Month.

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

Res. No. 665 – A. MacLeod, Cape Breton West – congratulating coach and players of the Eskasoni Junior High School Girls basketball team on winning bronze.

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

Res. No. 666 – L. Zann, Truro-Bible Hill – extending condolences to the family on the passing of Joe Walsh.

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

Res. No. 667 – Hon. S. McNeil, Annapolis – congratulating Claudia Jahn on receiving the Paul Harris Fellowship Award.

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

Res. No. 668 – Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle – congratulating Holy

Family Church on acquiring vestments and other items for display.

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

Res. No. 669 – B. Kent – Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage – congratulating Michelle Kempton on receiving the Women of Spirit Award.

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

Res. No. 670 – L. Glavine, Kings West – acknowledging May 1st as World Asthma Day.

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

Res. No. 671 – E. Orrell, Cape Breton North – wishing success to Spartrons robotic team at the FIRST Lego League championship competition.

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

Res. No. 672 – Hon. D. Dexter, Cole Harbour – commending Joseph Giles Elementary School's active interest in recycling and the environment.

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

Res. No. 673 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North – congratulating Carling Gratto on being named to the Nova Scotia Agricultural College's presidents list.

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

Res. No. 674 – A. MacLeod, Cape Breton West – confirming Minister of Community Services broke the law and demanding she resign.

Res. No. 675 – Hon. K. Colwell, Preston – recognizing Shirley Muzzerall for her hard work and dedication to the community.

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

Res. No. 676 – Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle – congratulating Bernard Bourque on his 95th birthday.

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

Res. No. 677 – A. Younger, Dartmouth East – congratulating Florence Stackhouse on being honoured with the Medal of Courage from 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. 678 – E. Orrell, Cape Breton North – congratulating Kim Rideout and Eugene Ramsay for their hard work on the Johnny Miles Festival.

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

Res. No. 679 – G. MacLellan, Glace Bay – congratulating Roddie “Yogi” Boutilier on his induction into the Cape Breton Sport 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. 680 – H. Theriault, Digby-Annapolis – commending Digby High School students on flying to Kenya to help with new school.

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

Res. No. 681 – D. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park – recognizing Matthew Arab (Quake) on the release of his second album.

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

Res. No. 682 – L. Glavine, Kings West – extending appreciation to Caregivers Nova Scotia for supporting caregivers.

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

Res. No. 683 – A. Younger, Dartmouth East – congratulating Nikolas Harris for placing first in the video contest and named Arthritis Hero for the Walk to Fight Arthritis.

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

Res. No. 684 – K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating Charles P. Allen High School on the musical *Little Shop of Horrors*.

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

Res. No. 685 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North - congratulating Wayne (Woody) Woodworth retiring after 45 years at Colchester Legion Stadium.

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

Res. No. 686 – Hon. K. Colwell, Preston – recognizing Terry Thomas, Jr.'s contributions to the game of basketball.

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

Res. No. 687 – G. MacLellan, Glace Bay – congratulating Coach Henry Boutilier, Jr.'s induction into the Cape Breton Sport 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. 688 – H. Theriault, Digby-Annapolis – urging provincial government demand Ottawa DFO give more share to inshore fleet.

Res. No. 689 – D. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park – congratulating Gary Walker on receiving Canada's Outstanding Principals 2012 Award.

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

PUBLIC BILLS

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

No. 34. Matrimonial Statutes Repeal Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: K. Regan and Hon. R. Landry in Reply. The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a second time and ordered referred to the Committee on Law Amendments.

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

No. 37. Interjurisdictional Support Orders Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Hon. M. Samson, A. MacMaster, T. Zinck, K. Regan and Hon. R. Landry in Reply. The question being put by Madam Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a second time and ordered referred to the Committee on Law Amendments.

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

No. 39. Maintenance and Custody Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Hon. M. Samson, A. MacMaster, T. Zinck, and Hon. R. Landry in Reply. The question being put by Madam Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a second time and ordered referred to the Committee on Law Amendments.

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

No. 41. Grandparents' Rights Affirmation Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Hon. M. Samson, K. Bain, T. Zinck, L. Glavine and Hon. R. Landry in Reply. The question being put by Madam Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a second time and ordered referred to the Committee on Law Amendments.

Hon. C. Parker, Minister of Natural Resources, moved second

reading of the following bill:

No. 52. Conservation Easements Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: A. Younger, Hon. C. d'Entremont, A. MacLeod and Hon. C. Parker in Reply. The question being put by Madam Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a second time and ordered referred to the Committee on Law Amendments.

Hon. S. Belliveau, Minister of Fisheries and Aquaculture, moved second reading of the following bill:

No. 59. Fish Harvesters Registration and Certification Board Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Hon. M. Samson, Hon. C. d'Entremont and Hon. S. Belliveau in Reply. The question being put by Madam Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a second time and ordered referred to the Committee on Law Amendments.

Hon. S. Belliveau, Minister of Fisheries and Aquaculture, moved second reading of the following bill:

No. 61. Fisheries and Coastal Resources Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Hon. M. Samson, Hon. C. d'Entremont and Hon. S. Belliveau in Reply. The question being put by Madam Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a second time and ordered referred to the Committee on Law Amendments.

Hon. J. MacDonell, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations, moved second reading of the following bill:

No. 65. Consumer Protection Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: K. Regan, A. MacMaster and Hon. J. MacDonell in Reply. The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a second time and ordered referred to the Committee on Law Amendments.

On motion, the adjourned debate on second reading of the following bill was resumed:

No. 5. Municipal Government Act

The debate resumed with Hon. K. Colwell and Hon. J. MacDonell in Reply. The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a second time and ordered referred to the Committee on Law Amendments.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to meet Wednesday, May 2nd at 2:00 P.M.

MOTIONS UNDER RULE 5(5)

Mr. Speaker interrupted the business having received notices of motion under Rule 5(5). The topic of late debate as submitted by Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle:

“Therefore be it resolved that all members of this House of Assembly urge the NDP to stop dismissing recommendations and impoverishing our province.”

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Hon. C. d'Entremont, V. Conrad and Hon. K. Colwell.

NOTICES OF MOTION UNDER RULE 32

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

Res. No. 690 – Hon. J. Baillie, Cumberland South – congratulating the OREC Senior Golden Bears on winning their Division Championship.

Res. No. 691 – Hon. J. Baillie, Cumberland South – congratulating the OREC Senior Golden Bears Boys Basketball team on their win at the tournament in Riverview.

Res. No. 692 – C. Porter, Hants West – congratulating Acadia AAA Atom Hockey Team on their 2011-12 Championship.

Res. No. 693 – C. Porter, Hants West – congratulating Kayla Walsh on being a Bronze Award Achiever of the Duke of Edinburgh Award.

Res. No. 694 - Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North – congratulating Mike Boyce on receiving his Red Seal certification.

Res. No. 695 - Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North – congratulating Jason Hamilton on receiving his Red Seal certification.

Res. No. 696 - Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North – congratulating Sybil Flemming and others who contributed to “Blankets for Canada”.

Res. No. 697 - Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North – congratulating Great Village Garden Club on their 60th anniversary.

Res. No. 698 - Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North – congratulating Carly Carter on being chosen student of the Month for February 2012 at North Colchester High School.

Res. No. 699 - Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North – congratulating Brandon Read on being chosen student of the Month for February 2012 at North Colchester High School.

Res. No. 700 - Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North – congratulating Dr. Pippa Moss and everyone who worked with AIDS-abandoned and orphaned children.

Res. No. 701 – K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating Gordon Savage for his dedication to his community.

Res. No. 702 – K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating Dawson Miller on educating his community on the importance of gardening.

Res. No. 703 – K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating Sue Stewart on her enormous commitment to community efforts.

Res. No. 704 – K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating Isabel Wynn on her outstanding contributions to Canadian Cancer Society.

Res. No. 705 – K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating Sandy Tillman and Joann MacCallum, team managers of the C. P. Allen High School football team.

Res. No. 706 – K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating Diana Haydon for her work to preserve Bedford’s past.

Res. No. 707 – K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating Christina MacDougall for her efforts with Girl Guides of Canada.

Res. No. 708 – K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating Ken and Betty Smith for their service to Bedford and various groups.

Res. No. 709 – K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating Bill Wilson on his contributions to his community.

Res. No. 710 – K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating Terry Yuill on his track record of volunteerism.

Res. No. 711 – K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating Lawrence Baker's dedication to his church and community.

Res. No. 712 – K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating Brenna MacMillan for her compassion and interest in her community.

Res. No. 713 – K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating Mary Boston for her compassion, care and support for so many.

Res. No. 714 – K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – thanking Brian MacLellan on his contributions to 342 Bedford Air Cadet Squadron.

Res. No. 715 – K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating Joanne Guilderson for her boundless enthusiasm.

Res. No. 716 – K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating Joyce Heffler for her dedication to the Bedford community.

Res. No. 717 – A. Younger, Dartmouth East – congratulating Yazeed Sobaih on his fundraising and being honoured with a Certificate of Merit.

Res. No. 718 – Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle – congratulating Teri-Lynn and Aaron LeBlanc on the birth of their son.

Res. No. 719 – Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle – congratulating Suzanne and Jean-Guy d'Entremont on the birth of their son.

Res. No. 720 – Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle – congratulating Jessica and Ben Allen on the birth of their son.

Res. No. 721 – Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle – congratulating Gloria Marginson and Jamie Doucette on the birth of their son.

Res. No. 722 – Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle – congratulating

Allyson Melanson and Jordan Roberts on the birth of their daughter.

Res. No. 723 – Hon. C. d’Entremont, Argyle – congratulating Colette and Allan Doucette on the birth of their daughter.

Res. No. 724 – Hon. C. d’Entremont, Argyle – congratulating Nicole Leadley and Marc-Robert d’Entremont on the birth of their daughter.

Res. No. 725 – Hon. C. d’Entremont, Argyle – congratulating Kristy and Jordan Surette on the birth of their daughter.

Res. No. 726 – Hon. C. d’Entremont, Argyle – congratulating Sheena Stoddard and Brian MacIntosh on the birth of their daughter.

Res. No. 727 – Hon. C. d’Entremont, Argyle – congratulating Samantha and Jason LeBlanc on the birth of their daughter.

Res. No. 728 – Hon. C. d’Entremont, Argyle – congratulating Robin Muise and Malcolm d’Entremont on the birth of their daughter.

Res. No. 729 – Hon. C. d’Entremont, Argyle – congratulating Angeline and Dennis d’Entremont on the birth of their daughter.

Res. No. 730 – Hon. C. d’Entremont, Argyle – congratulating Falon and Marcel Doucette on the birth of their daughter.

Res. No. 731 – Hon. C. d’Entremont, Argyle – congratulating Dana and Randy Belliveau on the birth of their daughter.

Res. No. 732 – Hon. C. d’Entremont, Argyle – congratulating Amber and Evan Jacquard on the birth of their twin daughters.