

The House met at 12:00 Noon.

Prayers.

### **PRESENTING AND READING PETITIONS**

V. Conrad, Queens, tabled a petition asking for a dedicated adult learning environment for Queen's County.

P. Birdsall, Lunenburg, tabled a petition requesting that the government allow ferment on premise wine operators.

### **STATEMENTS BY MINISTERS**

Hon. Maureen MacDonald, Minister of Health and Wellness, rose to make a statement respecting approval of the District Health Authorities' business spending plans.

Comments were made by L. Glavine and Hon. C. d'Entremont.

### **GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION**

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

Res. No. 987 – Hon. D. Peterson-Rafuse, Minister of Community Services – commending foster parents around the province for their giving spirit.

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

Res. No. 988 – Hon. D. Dexter, Premier – recognizing Justin Rafuse and Cory Taggart on their commitment to the daily maintenance of their school flagpole.

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

Res. No. 989 – Hon. Maureen MacDonald, Minister of Health and Wellness – recognizing May as Cystic Fibrosis Awareness Month.

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

Res. No. 990 – Hon. S. Belliveau, Minister of Fisheries and Aquaculture – acknowledging the contributions of the original builders in the design and development of the fishing vessel the Cape Islander.

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. 89. An Act to Protect Patients and Provide for the Fair Resolution of Contract Negotiations in Health Care and Community Services**

**(Hon. J. Baillie – Cumberland South)**

**No. 90. An Act to Amend Chapter 69 of the Acts of 1992, the Nova Scotia Provincial Exhibition Commission Act**

**(L. Zann – Truro-Bible Hill)**

**No. 91. An Act to Amend Chapter 85 of the Revised Statutes, 1989, the Condominium Act**

**(D. Whalen – Halifax Clayton Park)**

**No. 92. An Act to Amend Chapter 45 of the Acts of 2011, the Safe Collection of Scrap Metal Act**

**(A. MacMaster – Inverness)**

#### **NOTICES OF MOTION**

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

Res. No. 991 – L. Glavine, Kings West – congratulating the founders and the Golden Oldies Club on the hockey tournament's 10<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. 992 – A. MacLeod, Cape Breton West – congratulating the Mira Players on their 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of entertaining.

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

Res. No. 993 – Hon. B. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect – recognizing Bobby Orr's Cup-winning goal and best wishes to the Bruins' quest to future Stanley Cups.

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

Res. No. 994 – Hon. W. Gaudet, Clare – congratulating Halifax Regional Search and Rescue's Eco-Endurance Challenge fundraiser event and wishing them continued success.

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

Res. No. 995 – E. Orrell, Cape Breton North – recognizing the Northside Community Centre and its importance 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. 996 – V. Conrad, Queens – commending everyone involved in finding the new location for the adult education programs in Liverpool.

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

Res. No. 997 – Hon. K. Colwell, Preston – urging the Premier to show leadership and stand-up to Nova Scotia Power about the continued skyrocketing cost of power.

Res. No. 998 – Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle – showing appreciation to those working in hospice palliative care on National Hospice Palliative Care Week.

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

Res. No. 999 – A. Younger, Dartmouth East – congratulating the Eastern Shore District High School concert band and their director on receiving a Gold Standard and awarded Outstanding Brass Section.

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

Res. No. 1000 – K. Bain, Victoria-The Lakes – showing thanks to our local food bank workers for addressing the issue of hunger in our province.

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

Res. No. 1001 – G. MacLellan, Glace Bay – congratulating Jackie Ferguson on being inducted into Glace Bay Sports and Volunteer 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. 1002 – A. MacMaster, Inverness – acknowledging Jack Beaton's dedication to education and congratulating him on a much-deserved provincial award.

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

Res. No. 1003 – H. Theriault, Digby-Annapolis – commending the Digby Junior Curling Team on their sportsmanship and wishing continued success.

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

Res. No. 1004 – A. MacLeod, Cape Breton West – recognizing the contributions the late Vince Ryan made to the 1961 Caledonia Aces and being inducted posthumously 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. 1005 – Hon. W. Gaudet, Clare – congratulating La Baie en Joie dance troupe on winning the BATD Traditional Rose Bowl.

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

Res. No. 1006 – E. Orrell, Cape Breton North – congratulating Constable Paul Ratchford and all those who helped make the newly opened Sydney Mines Community Office a success.

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

Res. No. 1007 – A. Younger, Dartmouth East – congratulating Merrick Seidel on his achievements and wishing him success at the Gymnastic Championships in Regina.

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

Res. No. 1008 – Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle – recognizing the importance of training nurses to replace those retiring as well acknowledging next week 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. 1009 – G. MacLellan, Glace Bay – congratulating Harvey Ellsworth, Jr. on being inducted into the Glace Bay Sports and Volunteer 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. 1010 – K. Bain, Victoria-The Lakes – recognizing Dryden MacNeil as a youth ambassador and his contributions to both his community and Victoria County.

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

Res. No. 1011 – H. Theriault, Digby-Annapolis – congratulating Gerry Chute, owner of Ditch Pig Farms on their award-winning grapes.

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

Res. No. 1012 – A. MacMaster, Inverness – congratulating Charlene’s Bayside Restaurant and Café on their appearance on *You Gotta Eat Here*, a FOOD Network television program.

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

Res. No. 1013 – L. Glavine, Kings West – recognizing Cystic Fibrosis Awareness Month and Tim Vallillee becoming the poster child of hope at the age of 44 years.

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

### **CWH ON BILLS**

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on Bills.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

The Chairman took the Chair of the Committee.

Madam Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported that the Committee had met and considered the following bill and recommended the same to the favourable consideration of the House, without further amendment:

#### **No. 79. Education Act**

And the following bills, which were reported with certain amendments by the Committee on Law Amendments to the Committee of the Whole House, without further amendments:

#### **No. 17. Financial Measures (2012) Act**

#### **No. 30. Promotion of Respectful and Responsible Relationships Act**

#### **No. 52. Conservation Easements Act**

#### **No. 55. Community Easements Act**

**No. 65. Consumer Protection Act****No. 78. Justice Administration (2012) Act**

The foregoing bills were ordered to be read a third time on a future day.

With unanimous consent, the House reverted the order of business to Private and Local Bills.

**PRIVATE AND LOCAL BILLS**

Hon. F. Corbett, Government House Leader, moved second reading of the following bill:

**No. 90. Nova Scotia Provincial Exhibition Commission Act**

There being no debate, the question being put by Madam Deputy Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a second time and ordered referred to the Committee of the Whole House on Private and Local Bills.

With unanimous consent, the House reverted the order of business to Presenting Reports of Committees.

**PRESENTING REPORTS OF COMMITTEES**

M. Raymond, Chairman of the Committee on Private and Local Bills, reported that the Committee had met and considered the following bills and recommended the same to the favourable consideration of the House, each without amendment:

**No. 57. Crosbie Memorial Trust Fund Act****No. 83. Annapolis Valley Apple Blossom Festival Incorporation Act**

The foregoing bills were ordered referred to the Committee of the Whole House on Bills.

**PUBLIC BILLS**

Hon. J. MacDonell, Minister of Agriculture, moved second reading of the following bill:

**No. 84. Dalhousie University–Nova Scotia Agricultural College Merger Act**

A debate ensued during which the following took part: L. Glavine, Hon. C. d'Entremont, L. Zann, Z. Churchill and Hon. J. MacDonell in Reply. The question being put by Madam Deputy Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a second time and ordered referred to the Committee on Law Amendments.

Hon. M. More, Minister of Labour and Advanced Education, moved second reading of the following bill:

**No. 86. NewPage Port Hawkesbury Pension Plans Act**

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Hon. M. Samson, A. MacMaster and Hon. M. More in Reply. The question being put by Madam Deputy 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. 87. Good Forestry Management on Crown Land Act**

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

Hon. C. Parker, Minister of Energy, moved second reading of the following bill:

**No. 88. Maritime Link Act**

A debate ensued during which the following took part: L. Glavine, Hon. C. d'Entremont and Hon. C. Parker 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 Friday, May 11<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 A.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 A. Younger, Dartmouth East:

“Therefore be it resolved that through its \$65 million in cuts to public education that this NDP Government has shown no respect for teachers in Nova Scotia and that during this Teacher Appreciation Week, the Liberal caucus reaffirms its call on the government to restore education funding.”

A debate ensued during which the following took part: L. Glavine, D. Whalen, M. Whynott and E. Orrell.

**NOTICES OF MOTION UNDER RULE 32**

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

Res. No. 1014 – V. Conrad, Queens – congratulating Pam and Alan Samson for their involvement and dedication to music through photography and the East Coast Music Awards.

Res. No. 1015 – V. Conrad, Queens – congratulating Ella Stevens for her entry in the Grade 2-3 category of the 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Nova Scotia Recycle Contest.

Res. No. 1016 – V. Conrad, Queens – congratulating Nicholas van Dyk on his first-place win in the Grade 12 category of the Nova Scotia Recycles Contest.

Res. No. 1017 – J. Boudreau, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour – congratulating Donna Kaiser on being Volunteer of the Year for the Municipality of St. Mary's.

Res. No. 1018 - J. Boudreau, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour – congratulating the students of Duncan MacMillan High School on their involvement in Dominion Convention ceremonies.

Res. No. 1019 - J. Boudreau, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour – congratulating Deacon Clara Jordan on her dedication to the Sunnyville Baptist Church and her congregation.

Res. No. 1020 - J. Boudreau, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour –

congratulating Barry and Emily Lumsden on their enrolment in the Home Routes concert circuit and wish them well.

Res. No. 1021 - J. Boudreau, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour – congratulating the Eastern Counties Regional Library on another successful year of Share-a-Book Campaign and wish them well.

Res. No. 1022 – Hon. W. Gaudet, Clare – congratulating Suzanne Saulnier and CPRPS on their 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

Res. No. 1023 - J. Boudreau, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour – congratulating Eric and Jessica Kaiser on their 60<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary and wish them the very best.

Res. No. 1024 - J. Boudreau, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour – congratulating The Roll of the Sea and James Milligan on their performance at the 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Christmas Concert in Mushaboom.

Res. No. 1025 - J. Boudreau, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour – acknowledging Sheet Harbour Lioness Club’s donating funds to their community for residents to receive lap robes for Christmas.

Res. No. 1026 – V. Conrad, Queens – congratulating Stacy Smart-Chandler for her entrepreneurial spirit and contribution to the business and art community of the Liverpool area.

Res. No. 1027 - V. Conrad, Queens – recognizing the various students of South Queens Junior High School for their active citizenship and involvement in fundraising as a result of the Global Issues Module offered at their school.

Res. No. 1028 - V. Conrad, Queens – congratulating Queens County Girls’ Choir for their participation and performance at Disney World in Florida.

Res. No. 1029 - V. Conrad, Queens – congratulating Queens County for their success in hosting Nova Scotia Provincial Starskate and Synchronized Figure Skating Competition.

Res. No. 1030 - V. Conrad, Queens – recognizing and congratulating various skaters at the 2012 Nova Scotia Provincial Starskate and Synchronized Figure Skating Competition.

Res. No. 1031 - V. Conrad, Queens – congratulating North Queens

Senior Boys Basketball Team on their 2011-12 season.

Res. No. 1032 - V. Conrad, Queens – congratulating Kejimikujik National Park regarding Mi'Kmaq people and maple syrup through the Mi'Kmaq Maple Syrup Festival.

Res. No. 1033 - V. Conrad, Queens – congratulating Martin Hilliard on having been recognized at the 38<sup>th</sup> Provincial Volunteer Awards Ceremony for his contributions and talent to his community.

Res. No. 1034 - V. Conrad, Queens – thanking the Sobey's South Shore Wild and the RCMP Bisons for their fundraising efforts on behalf of Lunenburg/Queens chapter of MADD Canada.

Res. No. 1035 - V. Conrad, Queens – congratulating Linda Frail on having been recognized for her contributions at the 38<sup>th</sup> Provincial Volunteer Awards Ceremony.

Res. No. 1036 – V. Conrad, Queens – recognizing John Leefe on his appointment as honorary colonel of the West Nova Regiment.

Res. No. 1037 – V. Conrad, Queens – congratulating Joe Winters for his creative work in restoring the White Point experience.

Res. No. 1038 – V. Conrad, Queens – congratulating Gay/Straight Alliance Group at Liverpool Regional High School for taking steps to create a positive experience for all students.

Res. No. 1039 – V. Conrad, Queens – congratulating Bev Crouse for her contributions of time and talent to this quilt project, a symbol of community support and the White Point experience.

Res. No. 1040 – V. Conrad, Queens – congratulating Queens County Bantam B Cougars for their successful 2012 hockey season as well earning the second-place overall ranking in the championship finals.

Res. No. 1041 – V. Conrad, Queens – congratulating the White Point Golf Course for their 80<sup>th</sup> season of golf, lessons, tournaments and clinics.

Res. No. 1042 – V. Conrad, Queens – recognizing and thanks to the curling community of Liverpool for their fundraising efforts to benefit the Canadian Cancer Society.

Res. No. 1043 – V. Conrad, Queens – congratulating Van Dyk Specialty Freezing Innovations for their drive and competitive spirit in the future of Nova Scotia's economic growth.

Res. No. 1044 – V. Conrad, Queens – congratulating Tegan Whynot for her fundraising efforts to benefit her local food bank to help families in need.

Res. No. 1045 – Hon. S. Belliveau, Shelburne – applauding Rachel Goreham for achieving 75 years membership with the Balmoral Rebekah Lodge #39.

Res. No. 1046 – Hon. S. Belliveau, Shelburne – congratulating Leah Weare on her Education Week Award.

Res. No. 1047 – Hon. J. MacDonell, Hants East – congratulating Wyatt Sanford on winning gold and Ryan Sanford on winning silver medals at 2012 Junior Youth Canadian Championship.

Res. No. 1048 – Hon. D. Peterson-Rafuse, Chester-St. Margaret's – congratulating Linda and Denis Dineen and their staff on winning the Best British Shop in the World 2012.

Res. No. 1049 - Hon. D. Peterson-Rafuse, Chester-St. Margaret's – congratulating Chester Clippers hockey organization ranked #1 in Canada for Junior C hockey.

Res. No. 1050 - Hon. D. Peterson-Rafuse, Chester-St. Margaret's – congratulating Adam Sarty, Matayla Hancock and Hunter Chandler's manuscripts that were selected to be published.

Res. No. 1051 - Hon. D. Peterson-Rafuse, Chester-St. Margaret's – thanking Betty Eisner for all the wonderful contributions she has made over the years to her community.

Res. No. 1052 - Hon. D. Peterson-Rafuse, Chester-St. Margaret's – congratulating students of East St. Margaret's Elementary School for their artistic talent in their mural of their community.

Res. No. 1053 - Hon. D. Peterson-Rafuse, Chester-St. Margaret's – congratulating the staff and supporters of the Chester Municipal Community Wheels program for their hard work and dedication to their community.

Res. No. 1054 – J. Boudreau, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour – congratulating Janelle Delorey for the recognition of her entry in the 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Nova Scotia Recycles Contest.

Res. No. 1055 - J. Boudreau, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour – congratulating Kiara Ayre on the recognition of her entry in the 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Nova Scotia Recycles Contest.

Res. No. 1056 - J. Boudreau, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour – congratulating Denise Reashore on the recognition of her entry in the 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Nova Scotia Recycles Contest.

Res. No. 1057 - J. Boudreau, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour – congratulating Michelle Reid and her primary class for winning the 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Nova Scotia Recycles Contest.

Res. No. 1058 – Hon. J. MacDonell, Hants East – congratulating Susan Sangster recognized as Business Person of the Year by East Hants and District Chamber of Commerce.

Res. No. 1059 - Hon. J. MacDonell, Hants East – congratulating Heather Smith on being awarded Entrepreneur of the Year by East Hants and District Chamber of Commerce.

Res. No. 1060 - Hon. J. MacDonell, Hants East – congratulating Marsden J. Anthony on being awarded Community Booster of the Year by East Hants and District Chamber of Commerce.

Res. No. 1061 - Hon. J. MacDonell, Hants East – congratulating Margaret Johnson on being awarded the Tom Parker Chamber Member of the Year by East Hants and District Chamber of Commerce.

Res. No. 1062 - Hon. J. MacDonell, Hants East – congratulating the management and staff of National Gypsum on being awarded Exporter of the Year by East Hants and District Chamber of Commerce.

Res. No. 1063 – V. Conrad, Queens – congratulating Grace Leaman for having won Astor Theatre Society Musical Theatre Junior Solo Scholarship.

Res. No. 1064 - V. Conrad, Queens – congratulating Jessica Stevens for having won the IODE Cup.

Res. No. 1065 - V. Conrad, Queens – congratulating Jordan Haughn

for having won the Lion's Cup and a Bowater Mersey Paper Co. Ltd. Piano Scholarship.

Res. No. 1066 - V. Conrad, Queens – congratulating Hanna Barnes for having won the RICJAC Irving Mainway Trophy.

Res. No. 1067 - V. Conrad, Queens – congratulating Lauren Inglis for having won the Atlantic Superstore Trophy and Bowater Mersey Paper Co. Ltd. Vocal Scholarship.

Res. No. 1068 - V. Conrad, Queens – congratulating John Orme for having won the CD Hemeon Rose Bowl.

Res. No. 1069 - V. Conrad, Queens – congratulating Jordyn Duffney for having won the Khattar Cup and a Brady's Home Building Centre Scholarship.

Res. No. 1070 - V. Conrad, Queens – congratulating Alyssa Oickle for having won the CD Hemeon Rose Bowl.

Res. No. 1071 - V. Conrad, Queens – congratulating Clare Amirault for having won the Astor Theatre Society Musical Theatre Junior Solo Scholarship and the RICJAC Irving Mainway Trophy.

Res. No. 1072 - V. Conrad, Queens – congratulating Deena El-Ziftawi for having won the Lions Club Vocal Scholarship.

Res. No. 1073 - V. Conrad, Queens – congratulating Ella Stevens for having won the Kinette Club Memorial Piano Scholarship.

Res. No. 1074 - V. Conrad, Queens – congratulating Breah Himmelman for having won the Kinette Club Memorial Scholarship.

Res. No. 1075 - V. Conrad, Queens – congratulating Chloe Pitre for having won the Legion Vocal Scholarship.

Res. No. 1076 - V. Conrad, Queens – congratulating Bryden McNamara for having won two scholarships, a cup, a plaque and a recommendation to compete in the Provincial Music Festival.

Res. No. 1077 - V. Conrad, Queens – congratulating Bailey Selig for having won the Evelyn Riser Memorial Trophy.

Res. No. 1078 - V. Conrad, Queens – congratulating Dr. John C.

Wickwire Academy Senior Choir for having won the Kiwanis Trophy.

Res. No. 1079 - V. Conrad, Queens – congratulating Annalise Stevenson for having won the Lion’s Cup, Kinsmen Piano Scholarship and the Maddie Keay Memorial Trophy.

Res. No. 1080 - V. Conrad, Queens – congratulating Angus Stevens for having won the Music Festival Junior Piano Scholarship.

Res. No. 1081 - V. Conrad, Queens – congratulating Ben Hatt for having won a KMP Award and Clattco Construction Musical Theatre Scholarship.

Res. No. 1082 - V. Conrad, Queens – congratulating Brent Raddall for having won a scholarship, trophy and a recommendation to compete in the Provincial Music Festival.

Res. No. 1083 - V. Conrad, Queens – congratulating Grace Cowling for having won the Legion Vocal Scholarship.

Res. No. 1084 - V. Conrad, Queens – congratulating Gwendolyn Williams for having won the Henneberry’s Barber Shoppe Trophy and Brady’s Home Building Centre Piano Scholarship.