

The House met at 1:00 P.M.

Prayers.

With unanimous consent of the House, the order of business moved to Government Business.

Res. No. 1 - Rules and Forms of Procedure: Winter-Spring 2021 Sitting - Suspend or Amend

A debate ensued during which the following took part: A. Paon. There being no further debate, the question was put by The Speaker and the motion carried.

### **PRESENTING AND READING PETITIONS**

H. MacKay, Chester-St. Margaret's, tabled a petition requesting the Department of Transportation and Active Transit to build new infrastructure to address the issue of safety for pedestrians and cyclists in the Hubbards area.

### **GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION**

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

Res. No. 2 – Hon. I. Rankin, Premier – recognizing the National Day of Observance for Victims of COVID-19 and remembering those that lost their life.

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

The House observed a moment of silence.

Res. No. 3 – Hon. I. Rankin, Premier – revoking the appointment of Michael Pickup as Auditor General and asking approval of Kim Adair-MacPherson as Auditor General, effective May 3, 2021.

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

Res. No. 4 – Hon. G. MacLellan, Government House Leader – appointing Keith Bain and Susan Leblanc as Chairman of Committees and Deputy Speakers.

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

Res. No. 5 – Hon. G. MacLellan, Government House Leader – congratulating Annette Boucher, Q.C. on her retirement as Assistant Clerk and Legislative Counsel and expressing gratitude for her outstanding service.

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

Res. No. 6 – Hon. G. MacLellan, Government House Leader – congratulating the Halifax Foundation for their support in preserving and enhancing the South Garden of Province House.

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

Res. No. 7 – Hon. K. Regan, Minister responsible for the *Advisory Council on the Status of Women Act* – thanking the staff at women-serving organizations for their dedication over the past year and pledging to advance gender equality.

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

Res. No. 8 – Hon. K. Regan, Minister of Community Services – thanking social workers for their hard work and dedication to Nova Scotians and recognizing March as National Social Work Month.

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

Res. No. 9 – Hon. P. Arab, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Internal Services – recognizing the participants in the 2021 Open Data Contest and congratulating the winning Team CEI.

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

Res. No. 10 – Hon. P. Arab, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Internal Services – recognizing the Driver Education and Licensing Project as an action that addresses systemic poverty issues to bring about positive outcomes for participants and community.

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

Res. No. 11 – Hon. S. Lohnes-Croft, Minister of Communities, Culture and Heritage – congratulating Joy Saunders on receiving a Sovereign’s Medal for Volunteers and thanking her for her contributions.

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

Res. No. 12 – Hon. S. Lohnes-Croft, Minister of Communities, Culture and Heritage - congratulating Sidney Crosby on playing his 1,000<sup>th</sup> NHL game.

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

Res. No. 13 – Hon. L. Metlege Diab, Minister of Labour and Advanced Education – congratulating women who choose a career in the skilled trades and thanking the Nova Scotia Apprenticeship Agency for leadership in creating more inclusive and diverse workforce.

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

Res. No. 14 – Hon. B. Maguire, Minister of Municipal Affairs - recognizing, congratulation and thanking the 13 Mi’kmaw communities, 49 municipalities and 20 villages across Nova Scotia 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. 15 – Hon. B. Maguire, Minister of Municipal Affairs – recognizing the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the establishment of the Office of the Fire Marshall 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. 16 – Hon. K. Colwell, Minister of Agriculture – recognizing the accomplishments of Cat Taylor in biodynamic viticulture and winemaking at Lightfoot and Wolfville winery.

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. 1. An Act Respecting the Management of Police Identity to Prevent Unlawful Activity**

**(Hon. R. Delorey – Minister of Justice)**

**No. 2. An Act to Amend Chapter 203 of the Revised Statutes, 1989, the Homes for Special Care Act, Respecting Staff Levels**

**(T. Houston – Pictou East)**

**No. 3. An Act to Amend Chapter 246 of the Revised Statutes, 1989, the Labour Standards Code, Respecting Sick Leave**

**(G. Burrill – Halifax Chebucto)**

**No. 4. An Act to Provide for the Conservation and Sustainable Use of Biodiversity in Nova Scotia**

**(Hon. C. Porter – Minister of Lands and Forestry)**

**No. 5. An Act Respecting a Lyme Disease Strategy for Nova Scotia**

**(T. Houston – Pictou East)**

**No. 6. An Act to Amend Chapter 246 of the Revised Statutes, 1989, the Labour Standards Code, Respecting Organ and Tissue Donation Leave**

**(K. Coombes – Cape Breton Centre)**

**No. 7. An Act to Establish the Office of the Healthcare Ombudsman**

**(T. Houston – Pictou East)**

**No. 8. An Act to Amend Chapter 7 of the Acts of 1996, the Occupational Health and Safety Act**

**(S. Leblanc – Dartmouth North)**

- No. 9. An Act to Amend Chapter 114 of the Revised Statutes, 1989, the Crown Lands Act**  
**(Hon. C. Porter – Minister of Lands and Forestry)**
- No. 10. An Act to Amend Chapter 41 of the Acts of 2010, the Personal Health Information Act**  
**(K. MacFarlane – Pictou West)**
- No. 11. An Act to Amend Chapter 32 of the Acts of 2014, the Health Authorities Act**  
**(K. MacFarlane – Pictou West)**
- No. 12. An Act to Establish the Chief Dental Officer**  
**(K. MacFarlane – Pictou West)**
- No. 13. An Act to Provide Transparency to Health Authority Expenditures**  
**(K. MacFarlane – Pictou West)**
- No. 14. An Act Respecting the Prevention of Pressure Sores in Long-term Care Facilities**  
**(B. Adams – Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage)**
- No. 15. An Act to Amend Chapter 33 of the Acts of 2004, the Protection for Persons in Care Act**  
**(B. Adams – Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage)**
- No. 16. An Act to Establish a Provincial Concussion Strategy**  
**(B. Adams – Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage)**
- No. 17. An Act to Establish a Provincial Frailty Strategy**  
**(B. Adams – Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage)**
- No. 18. An Act on the Status of Palliative Care in Nova Scotia**  
**(B. Adams – Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage)**

**No. 19. An Act to Amend Chapter 33 of the Acts of 2010, the Auditor General Act**

**(E. Smith-McCrossin – Cumberland North)**

**No. 20. An Act to Amend Chapter 38 of the Acts of 2011, the Medical Act, Respecting Sexual Misconduct**

**(E. Smith-McCrossin – Cumberland North)**

**No. 21. An Act to Amend Chapter 30 of the Acts of 2007, the Gunshot Wounds Mandatory Reporting Act**

**(K. Masland – Queens-Shelburne)**

**No. 22. An Act to Amend Schedule A of Chapter 1 of the Acts of 2018, the Education Act, Respecting Emergency Aid at School**

**(K. Masland – Queens-Shelburne)**

**EMERGENCY DEBATE**

T. Houston, Leader of the Official Opposition, begged leave to move pursuant to Rule 43(1) that the business of the House be set aside for the purpose of discussing a matter of urgent public importance, namely the state of ambulance service in Nova Scotia.

The Speaker ruled the matter was proper to be discussed and put the question whether the Member had leave of the House. Leave was granted and the debate will take place at the moment of adjournment.

**ADDRESS IN REPLY**

The adjourned debate on the Address in Reply to the Speech from the Throne was resumed with T. Houston, who adjourned debate.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The Speaker adjourned the House to meet Friday, March 12<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 A.M.

**EMERGENCY DEBATE**

As requested earlier by T. Houston, Leader of the Official Opposition, the debate began with the following taking part: T. Houston,

S. Leblanc, Hon. Z. Churchill, C. LeBlanc, K. Coombes, A. Paon, Hon. L. Glavine, T. Rushton, G. Burrill and Hon. C. Porter.

**NOTICES OF MOTION UNDER RULE 32(3)**

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

Res. No. 17 - Hon. I. Rankin, Timberlea-Prospect - thanking Donnie and Tracey Clarke of Timberlea for donating plasma for a clinical trial.

Res. No. 18 - Hon. K. Colwell, Preston-Dartmouth - congratulating Barbara (Fickes) Pate for her exemplary volunteer spirit.

Res. No. 19 - Hon. K. Colwell, Preston-Dartmouth - congratulating the East Preston Day Care Centre (EPDCC) on celebrating its 46<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

Res. No. 20 - Hon. K. Colwell, Preston-Dartmouth - congratulating Keonte and Antonio Beals on the release of their children's book *I Am Perfectly Me*.

Res. No. 21 - Hon. K. Colwell, Preston-Dartmouth - congratulating Neville Provo, co-founder and CEO of Smooth Meal Prep, along with his mother and co-founder Karen Provo, on the success of their business.

Res. No. 22 - Hon. K. Colwell, Preston-Dartmouth - congratulating Nzingha Millar on her successful business, Courage Communication.

Res. No. 23 - Hon. K. Colwell, Preston-Dartmouth - congratulating Rod McDonald on his Canadian Type Archive and recognizing his dedication to the history of Canadian typography.

Res. No. 24 - K. Masland, Queens-Shelburne - congratulating Jamie Sawler and Krystal Mailman on the birth of their son.

Res. No. 25 - K. Masland, Queens-Shelburne - congratulating Chad Bourgeois and Julie Silmarie on their marriage.

Res. No. 26 - K. Masland, Queens-Shelburne - thanking the administration, teachers and staff of Dr. John C. Wickwire Academy.

Res. No. 27 - K. Masland, Queens-Shelburne - congratulating Tiffany Whynot and Cody Frank on the birth of their son.

Res. No. 28 - K. Masland, Queens-Shelburne - thanking the administration, teachers and staff of Greenfield Elementary School.

Res. No. 29 - K. Masland, Queens-Shelburne - thanking the administration, teachers and staff of Hillcrest Academy.

Res. No. 30 - K. Masland, Queens-Shelburne - congratulating Natasha Warner and Devin Whynot on the birth of their son.

Res. No. 31 - K. Masland, Queens-Shelburne - congratulating Lisa Kempton and Franklyn Mailman on their wedding.

Res. No. 32 - K. Masland, Queens-Shelburne - thanking the administration, teachers and staff of Liverpool Regional High School.

Res. No. 33 - K. Masland, Queens-Shelburne - thanking the administration, teachers, and staff of Lockeport Elementary School.

Res. No. 34 - K. Masland, Queens-Shelburne - thanking the administration, teachers and staff of Lockeport Regional High School.

Res. No. 35 - K. Masland, Queens-Shelburne - thanking the administration, teachers and staff of North Queens Community School.

Res. No. 36 - K. Masland, Queens-Shelburne - congratulating Jason and Nicole Fancy on the birth of their daughter.

Res. No. 37 - K. Masland, Queens-Shelburne - congratulating Josh and Alyson Wamboldt on the birth of their daughter.

Res. No. 38 - K. Masland, Queens-Shelburne - thanking the administration, teachers and staff of Shelburne Regional High School.

Res. No. 39 - K. Masland, Queens-Shelburne - thanking the administration, teachers and staff of South Queens Middle School.

Res. No. 40 - K. Masland, Queens-Shelburne - congratulating Travis and Kayleigh Wolfe on their marriage.

Res. No. 41 - A. Paon, Cape Breton-Richmond - commemorating the life of Ann Marie Burke.

Res. No. 42 - A. Paon, Cape Breton-Richmond - commemorating the life of Barbara (Elsie) MacLeod.

Res. No. 43 - A. Paon, Cape Breton-Richmond - commemorating the life of Ingrid Boutilier.



Res. No. 44 - A. Paon, Cape Breton-Richmond - commemorating the life of Joseph Raymond Sampson.

Res. No. 45 - A. Paon, Cape Breton-Richmond - commemorating the life of Mary Leah Alvina Bond.

Res. No. 46 - A. Paon, Cape Breton-Richmond - commemorating the life of Mary Sylvia Fillis.

Res. No. 47 - A. Paon, Cape Breton-Richmond - commemorating the life of Mary Francine Jollymore.

Res. No. 48 - A. Paon, Cape Breton-Richmond - commemorating the life of Estelle Marie Landry.

Res. No. 49 - A. Paon, Cape Breton-Richmond - commemorating the life of Alphonse Daniel Martell.

Res. No. 50 - A. Paon, Cape Breton-Richmond - commemorating the life of Albert Edwin James George.

Res. No. 51 - A. Paon, Cape Breton-Richmond - commemorating the life of Ann Marie MacDougall.

Res. No. 52 - A. Paon, Cape Breton-Richmond - commemorating the life of Annie MacInnis.

Res. No. 53 - A. Paon, Cape Breton-Richmond - commemorating the life of Angus John MacLeod.

Res. No. 54 - A. Paon, Cape Breton-Richmond - commemorating the life of Archie George MacLean.

Res. No. 55 - A. Paon, Cape Breton-Richmond - commemorating the life of Ada Barbara MacDonald (Chiavari).

Res. No. 56 - A. Paon, Cape Breton-Richmond - commemorating the life of Arthur Basil "Artie" MacInnis.

Res. No. 57 - A. Paon, Cape Breton-Richmond - commemorating the life of Aubrey Kenneth "Kenny" John Kehoe.

Res. No. 58 - A. Paon, Cape Breton-Richmond - commemorating the life of Brady Joseph Doyle.

Res. No. 59 - A. Paon, Cape Breton-Richmond - commemorating the life of Brian Wayne Mombourquette.

Res. No. 60 - A. Paon, Cape Breton-Richmond - commemorating the life of Bruce Ross Windeler.

Res. No. 61 - A. Paon, Cape Breton-Richmond – commemorating the life of Charles Marcus Procure.

Res. No. 62 - A. Paon, Cape Breton-Richmond - commemorating the life of Cathy MacDonald.

Res. No. 63 - A. Paon, Cape Breton-Richmond - commemorating the life of Charles (Sam) Victor Sampson.

Res. No. 64 - A. Paon, Cape Breton-Richmond - commemorating the life of Charles Robert 'Charlie' Dixon.

Res. No. 65 - A. Paon, Cape Breton-Richmond - commemorating the life of Cecil Roy Slater.

Res. No. 66 - A. Paon, Cape Breton-Richmond - commemorating the life of Christina H. MacDonald.

Res. No. 67 - A. Paon, Cape Breton-Richmond - commemorating the life of Chester Biaron Harker.

Res. No. 68 - A. Paon, Cape Breton-Richmond - commemorating the life of Clement Patrick Bates.

Res. No. 69 - A. Paon, Cape Breton-Richmond - commemorating the life of Dale Allison Hicks.

Res. No. 70 - A. Paon, Cape Breton-Richmond - commemorating the life of Darlene Ann Campbell.

Res. No. 71 - A. Paon, Cape Breton-Richmond - commemorating the life of Dave Hudson.

Res. No. 72 - A. Paon, Cape Breton-Richmond - commemorating the life of D. Russell MacAskill.

Res. No. 73 - A. Paon, Cape Breton-Richmond - commemorating the life of David Austin Phillips.

Res. No. 74 - A. Paon, Cape Breton-Richmond - commemorating the life of Donald Bernard "Bernie" Hope.

Res. No. 75 - A. Paon, Cape Breton-Richmond - commemorating the life of David Joseph Samson.

Res. No. 76 - A. Paon, Cape Breton-Richmond - commemorating the life of David Roy Eager.

Res. No. 77 - A. Paon, Cape Breton-Richmond - commemorating the life of Douglas Simpson Davis.

Res. No. 78 - A. Paon, Cape Breton-Richmond - commemorating the life of Donald Edward "Eddy" MacKay.

Res. No. 79 - A. Paon, Cape Breton-Richmond - commemorating the life of Donald Joseph Richard.

Res. No. 80 - A. Paon, Cape Breton-Richmond - commemorating the life of Donald Karl McConaghy.

Res. No. 81 - A. Paon, Cape Breton-Richmond - commemorating the life of Donald Allan "Silver Donald" Cameron.

Res. No. 82 - A. Paon, Cape Breton-Richmond - commemorating the life of James William 'Jim' Fry.

Res. No. 83 - A. Paon, Cape Breton-Richmond - commemorating the life of Jason Andrew James Keough.

Res. No. 84 - A. Paon, Cape Breton-Richmond - commemorating the life of John Alexander Burke.

Res. No. 85 - A. Paon, Cape Breton-Richmond - commemorating the life of John Edward "Teddy" MacNeil.

Res. No. 86 - A. Paon, Cape Breton-Richmond - commemorating the life of John Calver Langford.

Res. No. 87 - A. Paon, Cape Breton-Richmond - commemorating the life of John Harry Latimer.

Res. No. 88 - A. Paon, Cape Breton-Richmond - commemorating the life of Joseph Arthur 'Art' White.

Res. No. 89 - A. Paon, Cape Breton-Richmond - commemorating the life of Joseph "Joey" Bernard MacMullin.

Res. No. 90 - A. Paon, Cape Breton-Richmond - commemorating the life of John William "Twilight" Sutherland.

Res. No. 91 - A. Paon, Cape Breton-Richmond - commemorating the life of John William MacInnis.

Res. No. 92 - A. Paon, Cape Breton-Richmond - commemorating the life of Joseph John Marchand.

Res. No. 93 - A. Paon, Cape Breton-Richmond - commemorating the life of Joseph Harold Martell.

Res. No. 94 - A. Paon, Cape Breton-Richmond - commemorating the life of Kathy Frances (MacNeil) Bunyan.

Res. No. 95 - A. Paon, Cape Breton-Richmond - commemorating the life of Kevin Alexander MacKay.

Res. No. 96 - A. Paon, Cape Breton-Richmond - commemorating the life of Kevin James Mombourquette.

Res. No. 97 - A. Paon, Cape Breton-Richmond - commemorating the life of Joseph Maurice Landry.

Res. No. 98 - A. Paon, Cape Breton-Richmond - commemorating the life of Joseph Nicholas Boudreau.

Res. No. 99 - A. Paon, Cape Breton-Richmond - commemorating the life of Laura Jane Thompson.

Res. No. 100 - A. Paon, Cape Breton-Richmond - commemorating the life of Leo Joseph Martin.

Res. No. 101 - A. Paon, Cape Breton-Richmond - commemorating the life of Larry Charles Burton.

Res. No. 102 - A. Paon, Cape Breton-Richmond - commemorating the life of Leona Mary MacDonald.

Res. No. 103 - A. Paon, Cape Breton-Richmond - commemorating the life of Leo Patrick Samson.

Res. No. 104 - A. Paon, Cape Breton-Richmond - commemorating the life of Lester Vincent Martell.

Res. No. 105 - A. Paon, Cape Breton-Richmond - commemorating the life of Luke Lawrence Batdorf.

Res. No. 106 - A. Paon, Cape Breton-Richmond - commemorating the life of Marie (Eileen) Morgan.

Res. No. 107 - A. Paon, Cape Breton-Richmond - commemorating the life of Lorraine Marie Pottie.

Res. No. 108 - A. Paon, Cape Breton-Richmond - commemorating the life of Marie (Mary) Josephine Schrader.

Res. No. 109 - A. Paon, Cape Breton-Richmond - commemorating the life of Margaret Elizabeth Sampson.

Res. No. 110 - A. Paon, Cape Breton-Richmond - commemorating the life of Marie Barbara Landry.

Res. No. 111 - A. Paon, Cape Breton-Richmond - commemorating the life of Marie Margaret Boudreau.

Res. No. 112 - A. Paon, Cape Breton-Richmond - commemorating the life of Marjorie Eileen Roston.

Res. No. 113 - A. Paon, Cape Breton-Richmond - commemorating the life of Marie Elizabeth (MacDonald) Burke.

Res. No. 114 - A. Paon, Cape Breton-Richmond - commemorating the life of Marie Sophie Richard.

Res. No. 115 - A. Paon, Cape Breton-Richmond - commemorating the life of Mark Clifford Mombourquette.

Res. No. 116 - A. Paon, Cape Breton-Richmond - commemorating the life of Marion Frances Morton.