Tuesday, May 27th, 2014

The House met at 1:30 o'clock in the afternoon pursuant to adjournment.

The Member for St. John's North (Mr. Kirby) made a Statement to pay tribute to the late Ted Blanchard.

The Member for Mount Pearl South (Mr. Lane) made a Statement to congratulate those who participated in the fourth annual Waterford River cleanup blitz in the City of Mount Pearl.

The Member for Bonavista South (Mr. Little) made a Statement to congratulate the Members of the Discovery Collegiate Destroyers hockey team who won the 16th annual Confederation Cup High School Hockey Invitational Tournament tier two championship.

The Member for Port de Grave (Mr. Littlejohn) made a Statement to recognize Ms. Allyson Ricketts who was the recipient of a \$350.00 prize in the junior prose category of the Arts and Letters Awards for her short story "White Out".

The Member for Signal Hill – Quidi Vidi (Ms. Michael) made a Statement to congratulate Pam Hall who won the Long Haul Award at the 2014 Excellence in Visual Arts awards.

The Member for The Straits – White Bay North (Mr. Mitchelmore) made a Statement to congratulate St. Anthony Basin Resources Inc. (SABRI) for its outstanding accomplishments and contribution to the communities in the Great Northern Peninsula.

The Honourable the Minister of Natural Resources (Mr. Dalley) made a Statement to inform the House of the completion of the benefits agreement for the Kami Iron Ore Project in western Labrador.

The Honourable the Minister of Advanced Education and Skills (Mr. O'Brien) made a Statement to inform the House about the continuing work of the Department of Advanced Education and Skills in fostering the inclusion of persons with disabilities.

The Honourable the Government House Leader (Mr. King) gave notice that he would on tomorrow move, pursuant to Standing Order 11, that the House not adjourn at 5:30 o'clock in the afternoon and that the House not adjourn at 10 o'clock in the evening on Thursday, May 29th, 2014.

The Member for St. John's Centre (Ms. Rogers) presented a Petition from certain residents of the Province calling upon the House of Assembly to urge Government to reinstate the Family Violence Intervention Court.

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The Member for The Straits – White Bay North (Mr. Mitchelmore) presented a Petition from certain residents of the Province calling upon the House of Assembly to urge Government to ensure Bide Arm is in receipt of broadband services.

The Member for Mount Pearl South (Mr. Lane) presented a Petition from certain residents of the Province calling upon the House of Assembly to urge Government to change the outdated 1.6 km school busing eligibility policy in order to ensure safe travel to school for primary and elementary school children.

The Member for St. John's North (Mr. Kirby) presented a Petition from certain residents of the Province calling upon the House of Assembly to urge Government to extend eligibility for the Intensive Applied Behavioural Analysis Program beyond Grade 3 in consultation with parents, advocates, educators, health care providers and experts in the autism community.

The Member for Burgeo – La Poile (Mr. Parsons) presented a Petition from certain residents of the Province calling upon the House of Assembly to urge Government to negotiate a fair deal with ambulance operators that ensures the safety of ambulance professionals and patients.

The Member for St. John's East (Mr. Murphy) presented a Petition from certain residents of the Province calling upon the House of Assembly to urge Government to establish a procedure to enable insurance companies to co-ordinate with police, highway enforcement officers and the Motor Registration Division to remove unlicensed and uninsured vehicles from our province's highways.

The Member for St. John's South (Mr. Osborne) presented a Petition from certain residents of the Province calling upon the House of Assembly to urge Government to request that Eastern Health and the Provincial Government direct the staff at Placement Services to continue to honour the existing agreement and past practice of having the tenants of the St. Luke's Cottages move over to St. Luke's Homes when they can no longer manage to live in their cottages.

The Honourable the Government House Leader (Mr. King) moved, pursuant to Standing Order 32 that the Orders of the Day be read.

The Speaker put the question on the motion and declared the motion carried.

The Honourable the Government House Leader (Mr. King) moved, pursuant to Standing Order 11 that the House not adjourn at 5:30 o'clock in the afternoon and that the House not adjourn at 10 o'clock in the evening.

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The Speaker put the question on the motions that the House not adjourn at 5:30 o'clock in the afternoon and at 10 o'clock in the evening and declared the motions carried.

On motion of the Honourable the Government House Leader (Mr. King) the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House.

The Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Verge took the Chair of Committee of the Whole House.

On motion the Committee rose.

The Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairperson of the Committee of the Whole (Mr. Verge) reported that the Committee of the Whole House had considered the matters to them referred and had passed a Bill entitled "An Act Respecting Public Interest Disclosure" (Bill No. 1) with an amendment.

On motion the report of the Committee was received and adopted.

The amendment to Bill No. 1 having been read a first and second time, on motion it was ordered that Bill No. 1 be read the third time presently.

Pursuant to order and on motion debate commenced and concluded on Third Reading of a Bill entitled "An Act Respecting Public Interest Disclosure" (Bill No. 1) and on motion the Bill was read the third time and passed.

On motion it was ordered that the said Bill be printed being entitled as above and that it be submitted to His Honour the Lieutenant Governor for his Assent.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rose it would adjourn until tomorrow, Wednesday, May 28th at 2:00 o'clock in the afternoon.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

Sandra Barnes, Clerk of the House of Assembly.