



No. 13

VOTES and PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

PROVINCE OF SASKATCHEWAN

FIRST SESSION – TWENTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE

Monday, March 12, 2012

1:30 p.m.

PRAYERS

PRESENTING PETITIONS

Petitions of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan were presented and laid upon the Table by the following members: Forbes, Wotherspoon, Broten, and Vermette.

READING AND RECEIVING PETITIONS

According to Order, the Law Clerk and Parliamentary Counsel having favourably examined the same pursuant to Rule 16(7), the following Petitions were read and received:

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to devote the necessary resources for the construction of an elementary school in Hampton Village.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 26)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to review the current legislation and regulations with respect to trapping and firearms.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 27)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to immediately enact Bill No. 601 – The Jimmy's Law Act, to ensure greater safety for retail workers who work late night hours.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 37)

Of citizens of the Province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your Honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the Government to make education a top priority.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 40)

COMMONWEALTH DAY MESSAGE

The Speaker, before Orders of the Day, read the Commonwealth Day Message of Her Majesty the Queen.

THE QUEEN'S DIAMOND JUBILEE

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Wall, by leave of the Assembly:

That a Humble Address be presented to Her Majesty the Queen in the following words:

TO THE QUEEN'S MOST EXCELLENT MAJESTY:

MOST GRACIOUS SOVEREIGN, QUEEN OF CANADA:

We, the Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan in Session assembled, wish to extend our sincere congratulations to Your Majesty, on this year of celebration marking the sixtieth anniversary of Your Accession.

The people of Saskatchewan have been honoured to welcome Your Majesty and other members of the Royal Family to our province during Your reign and have witnessed directly, Your inspiring example of devotion to duty and unselfish labour on behalf of the welfare of the people of Canada and in the other nations of the Commonwealth.

We trust that Your gracious and peaceful reign may continue for many years and that Divine Providence will preserve Your Majesty in health, in happiness and in the affectionate loyalty of Your People.

A debate arising and the question being put, it was agreed to.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Harrison, by leave of the Assembly:

Ordered, That the Address to Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II be engrossed, signed by Mr. Speaker, and forwarded through the proper channels.

CONDOLENCE MOTIONS

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Wall, by leave of the Assembly:

That this Assembly records with sorrow and regret the passing of a former Member of this Assembly and expresses its grateful appreciation of the contribution he made to his community, his constituency and to the province.

Allan Emrys Blakeney who passed away on April 16, 2011, was a Member of this Legislative Assembly from 1960 until 1988, representing the constituencies of Regina City, Regina West, Regina Centre and Regina Elphinstone for the Co-Operative Commonwealth Federation and the New Democratic Party. He served as a Minister of Education, Provincial Treasurer, Minister of Public Health, Minister of Industry and Commerce and as the tenth Premier of Saskatchewan from June 30, 1971 to May 8, 1982.

Mr. Blakeney was born on September 7, 1925 in Bridgewater, Nova Scotia. He attended Bridgewater High School, Dalhousie University and won a prestigious Rhodes Scholarship to study at Oxford University. Prior to becoming a politician, he was a civil servant providing legal advice to the Government Finance Office and then he became the Chief Officer of the Saskatchewan Securities Commission.

Mr. Blakeney is remembered for many contributions to the Province including his role in the implementation of public health care in Saskatchewan, the creation of the Potash Corporation of Saskatchewan, the provincial Land Bank, establishment of the first Department of Northern Saskatchewan, and his leadership during the repatriation of the Canadian constitution.

Upon retirement from public life, Mr. Blakeney taught at Osgoode Hall and the University of Saskatchewan. He was a prolific writer and helped develop the structures for democratic government in Russia and South Africa. He sat on several boards and organizations including Algoma Steel, Cameco and Crown Life. He was a badminton champion and was an opera, musical and film enthusiast.

Mr. Blakeney is survived and sadly missed by his wife of 52 years, Anne and their children Barbara, Hugh, David and Margaret.

In recording its own deep sense of loss and bereavement, this Assembly expresses its most sincere sympathy with members of the bereaved family.

A debate arising and the question being put, it was agreed to.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Wall, by leave of the Assembly:

That this Assembly records with sorrow and regret the passing of a former Member of this Assembly and expresses its grateful appreciation of the contribution he made to his community, his constituency and to the province.

John (Jack) Chapman who passed away on March 6, 2011, was a Member of this Legislative Assembly from 1980 until 1982, representing the constituency of Estevan for the New Democratic Party.

Mr. Chapman was born on August 19, 1931 in Estevan, Saskatchewan. John was a First Class Power Engineer and Plant Supervisor who worked for SaskPower for 35 years.

Mr. Chapman was a very active member of the Lutheran Community in Saskatchewan and Canada. He served on church councils and as a Board Member of Luther College.

John is survived and sadly missed by his wife of 60 years, Olive, his daughter Judy, son-in-law, Joseph and granddaughters Leslie and Amy.

In recording its own deep sense of loss and bereavement, this Assembly expresses its most sincere sympathy with members of the bereaved family.

A debate arising and the question being put, it was agreed to.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Wall, by leave of the Assembly:

That this Assembly records with sorrow and regret the passing of a former Member of this Assembly and expresses its grateful appreciation of the contribution he made to his community, his constituency and to the province.

Serge LeClerc who passed away on April 16, 2011, was a Member of this Legislative Assembly from 2007 until 2010, representing the constituency of Saskatoon Northwest for the Saskatchewan Party and as an Independent Member. He served as the Legislative Secretary to the Minister of Corrections, Public Safety and Policing, Chair of the Standing Committee on Private Bills and was a member of two Standing Committees, Human Services and Privileges.

Mr. LeClerc, received his Bachelor of Arts Degree in Sociology with a minor in Social Work from the University of Waterloo and later, he became an author and motivational speaker detailing his struggles with addiction, gang life and criminal behaviour. He was an Executive Director of Teen Challenge Saskatchewan, a non-profit charity with a mandate to provide long-term residential care to youth recovering from addiction.

Mr. LeClerc is survived and sadly missed by his wife Janine and her son and daughter. He was predeceased by his first wife Noreen and is missed by his step-son.

In recording its own deep sense of loss and bereavement, this Assembly expresses its most sincere sympathy with members of the bereaved family.

A debate arising and the question being put, it was agreed to.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Wall, by leave of the Assembly:

That this Assembly records with sorrow and regret the passing of a former Member of this Assembly and expresses its grateful appreciation of the contribution he made to his community, his constituency and to the province.

Robert (Bob) Long who passed away on June 4, 2011, at the age of 74, was a Member of this Legislative Assembly from 1978 until 1982, representing the constituency of Cut Knife-Lloydminster for the New Democratic Party. He served as the Minister of Highways and Transportation from 1980-1982.

Mr. Long became the president of the NDP in 1988 and served until 1992. In 1993, Premier Romanow appointed Mr. Long as the chairman of the Highway Traffic Board. He served on the Board for ten years.

Mr. Long is survived and sadly missed by his children, Murray and Marlyss, their spouses and children as well as his fiancée, Rosemarie Grant.

In recording its own deep sense of loss and bereavement, this Assembly expresses its most sincere sympathy with members of the bereaved family.

A debate arising and the question being put, it was agreed to.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Harrison:

Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

The Assembly adjourned at 5:23 p.m. until Tuesday at 1:30 p.m.

Hon. Dan D'Autremont
Speaker