



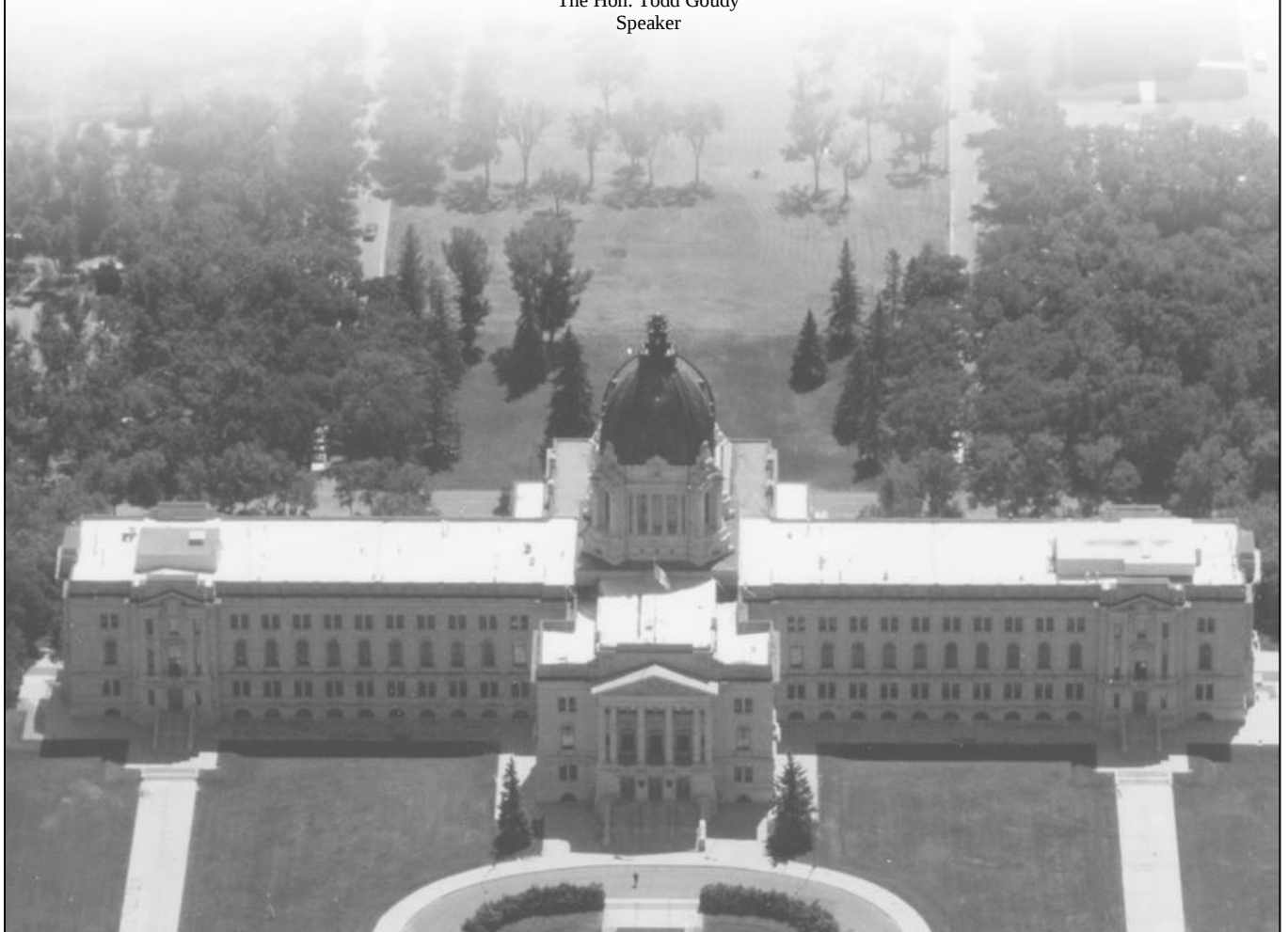
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ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS

Speaker Goudy: — I recognize the Minister of Health.

Hon. Jeremy Cockrill: — Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I ask for leave for an extended introduction.

Speaker Goudy: — The minister has requested leave for an extended introduction. Is leave granted?

Some Hon. Members: — Agreed.

Speaker Goudy: — Carried.

Hon. Jeremy Cockrill: — Well thank you, Mr. Speaker. To you and through you and to all members of the Legislative Assembly, I'd like to welcome the Saskatchewan Professional Firefighters and Paramedics Association members seated up in your gallery, Mr. Speaker. The fine men and women who serve in these capacities in really communities right across the province, you know, while we're running away from danger, running out of a burning building, these folks are heading in and protecting, keeping our community safe, keeping our family members safe.

I had the opportunity to meet with Davis and Jeremy from the Saskatoon Paramedic executive this morning, had a good conversation. I can't express my thanks enough to the paramedics and EMS [emergency medical services] staff around the province that keep our family members safe each and every day.

So I would ask, Mr. Speaker, that all members of the Assembly join me in welcoming these members to this, their legislature.

And while I'm on my feet, Mr. Speaker, I'd like to welcome somebody who's a friend to many in this House, Mr. Paul Hills, who himself has served as a paramedic in the city of Saskatoon for many years but is in a new capacity with a group called Homewood Health. I had a chance to break bread with Paul and a few others over lunch today, and have a discussion about his new career and how we can continue to work together to keep the people of Saskatchewan healthy and prosperous.

So, Mr. Speaker, I would ask all members of the Assembly again to welcome back Mr. Paul Hills to this, his legislature.

Speaker Goudy: — I recognize the member from Saskatoon Fairview.

Vicki Mowat: — Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I would like to join in with the minister opposite in welcoming this group of professional firefighters and paramedics to their Legislative Assembly. Many of them have been here before. We see them every year as they continue to advocate on behalf of their professions.

In particular we had a chance to meet with folks this morning.

There were about 30 of them in our kind of cramped caucus room. It was lovely to hear from them about all of the different issues that they're advocating for right now. So we have folks that are here from Prince Albert dispatch. We have Moose Jaw, Prince Albert, Yorkton, Swift Current, Weyburn, Regina, and Saskatoon.

I want to thank everyone here for their leadership and dedication to their profession — not just fighting for themselves but fighting on behalf of all those who serve with them and will serve in the future. So on behalf of the official opposition, I want to thank this group, and also Paul Hills for his previous advocacy and continued commitment to the people of this province. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker Goudy: — I recognize the Minister of Education.

Hon. Everett Hindley: — Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Request leave for an extended introduction.

Speaker Goudy: — The minister has requested leave for an extended introduction. Is leave granted?

Some Hon. Members: — Agreed.

Hon. Everett Hindley: — Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I'll still try to make this quick. A couple of introductions here today.

First of all, I would, through you and to you, would like to ask all members of this Assembly to welcome some guests seated in the west gallery, Mr. Speaker, here from Prairie Valley School Division, who I had a chance to meet with earlier today and saw of course last week at the SSBA [Saskatchewan School Boards Association] general assembly here in Regina.

I want to recognize Janet Kotylak, who is the board Chair of subdivision 7; Terry Berglund, board Vice-Chair, subdivision 6; Meghan Laverdiere, board member, subdivision 4; and Jennifer Kraushaar, board member, subdivision 5. I think I've got them all here today, Mr. Speaker. These are some amazing individuals, and I want to thank them for their hard work and everything they're doing in education. Myself and a number of my colleagues here on the government side had a chance to meet with them today.

In particular I want to highlight Janet Kotylak, who just received the Award of Distinction by the SSBA at last week's banquet, Mr. Speaker. The award recognizes Janet's remarkable contributions and her outstanding service to education at both the local level but also at the provincial level as well. She has collectively served for 28 years as local board member and division board member, including 13 years as the board Chair for Prairie Valley.

Mr. Speaker, I want to commend her on her significant achievements and the impact she has made in the education sector, not just in her area of the province but across the province in general. So I'd ask members to welcome the Prairie Valley folks here today.

And secondly, Mr. Speaker, I understand we also have some guests here from the CUPE [Canadian Union of Public

Employees] education workers steering committee who are here today. And some of these folks I have had a chance to meet with previously, earlier this summer, Mr. Speaker. And I'm just not sure who's all in attendance, but I think we have Karla, Shandel, Carole-Anne, Tanya, Bonnie, Delayne, and Samantha. My apologies if I've missed anyone or if somebody is here that I didn't mention.

Mr. Speaker, I think, much like I said with the guests from Prairie Valley, everyone in this province, whether you are working at the school division level at the school board or if you're in the classroom as a teacher or an educational assistant or support staff in some other shape or form, we all want to ensure — as we do as government here and I think all members of the Assembly — that our students have their best start in our schools. And it takes a team to be able to do that, and part of that team is the educational assistants and those who are represented by CUPE here today.

So, Mr. Speaker, through you and to you, I would ask all members to welcome the representatives from CUPE to this, their Legislative Assembly.

Speaker Goudy: — I recognize the member for Saskatoon Eastview.

Matt Love: — Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I request leave for an extended introduction.

Speaker Goudy: — The member has requested leave for an extended introduction. Is leave granted?

Some Hon. Members: — Agreed.

Matt Love: — I'll try and keep it quick as well, Mr. Speaker. I want to echo the minister, some of his comments and welcomes here that he provided. And I'll start with the team here from Prairie Valley School Division seated in the west gallery behind me here, you know, led by board Chair, Janet Kotylak. Truly a very deserving recipient of that recognition last week at the Saskatchewan School Boards Association fall assembly. You know, it was so great to see all of the service to this province and to our young people by school division leaders and elected trustees, but in particular to hear about the 28 years of service and 13 as board Chair. That's incredible service.

So to Janet and the entire team from Prairie Valley, thank you for being here in your Assembly. Thank you for the work that you do each and every day in support of our schools and our students. And I ask all members of the Assembly to join me in welcoming Janet and the Prairie Valley team here to their Assembly.

Seated next to them up there in the west gallery is a large group, and the minister is correct, far too many to name. We've got an incredible group of education workers here with CUPE Saskatchewan. You know, these folks are the backbone of so much of what happens in schools in this province each and every day. These ed workers serve as educational assistants, admin assistants, library technicians, building maintenance workers, IT [information technology], bus drivers, and so much more. And they're here to advocate for the people that they serve, and that's our students.

And I want to thank them, those who are here today and their members who are working day in and day out. They represent, Mr. Speaker, over 7,000 educational workers across this province, 7,000 folks who serve our students day in and day out in some very challenging circumstances.

So I want to thank all of their members who are here today, all those working in schools across the province. And I ask all members in the Assembly to join me in welcoming the CUPE education workers to their Assembly today.

And finally while I'm on my feet, Mr. Speaker, I'd like to join with a couple members here in welcoming one of Saskatoon Eastview's finest, my good friend, Mr. Paul Hills, who's seated up in your gallery. Paul has dedicated 27 years of his life to advocating for first responders. And he's done that on the front lines. He's done that here in this building. He's done that in Ottawa. He'll do that anywhere where people will listen to what's needed to improve the lives, in particular the working conditions and the mental health, of first responders.

I'm proud to say that Paul is Saskatchewan's ambassador for Wounded Warriors, a national organization that represents the needs of folks who work in trauma-exposed professions. So those are our veterans, our first responders. Paul is an incredible advocate in this regard, and somebody who I'm very proud to call a very good friend. Paul and his wife, Christa, have become very good friends of ours.

And I'll give the Assembly a very brief update. Last spring I believe I did a member's statement on the achievement of his son, who's a phenomenal basketball player. He's in Europe, playing professional basketball. His son Jude playing professional basketball in Portugal. His other son Owen — both boys I had the honour of teaching when they were younger — is a standout basketball player at Briercrest College.

Real pillars of our community in Saskatoon Eastview, having a big impact here in Saskatchewan and across the country. I want to thank Paul for all of those 27 years and the continued advocacy that he takes on for Wounded Warriors and for first responders across this country. I ask all members of the Assembly to join me in welcoming Paul to his Assembly.

Speaker Goudy: — I recognize the Minister of Social Services.

Hon. Terry Jenson: — Thank you, Mr. Speaker. To you and through you, this afternoon in the west gallery is a constituent of mine from the Warman constituency, Carl Lessard. Carl, give us a wave.

Carl is the farm animal production systems person for Agriculture Canada in Saskatoon, Mr. Speaker. A couple of weeks ago some of my colleagues would have had a chance to meet Carl and his lovely wife, Nathalie Bérubé, at a VIDO [Vaccine and Infectious Disease Organization] reception, which is where his wife, Nathalie, works. They have two wonderful kids, Paul and Mèlina. And Paul and Mèlina are actually really good friends with my two kids as well, so they can be seen going back and forth from house to house. Or in this time, in this day and age, they're iPad to iPad, Mr. Speaker.

So you know, Carl is a very unique individual. And just when I

thought the supply of maple syrup from Quebec was all we could ask for, he went and built probably one of the finest smoke shacks in the entire province, Mr. Speaker. If it has four legs or it has gills, it's going onto Carl's smoker. So I'm really looking forward to continuing to be neighbours. That said, we've been neighbours for just about 20 years, and I can't think of a better family to be neighbours with in Warman, Mr. Speaker.

So with that I'd like to invite everybody in the Assembly to join me in welcoming Carl Lessard to his Legislative Assembly.

Speaker Goudy: — I recognize the member from Saskatoon University-Sutherland.

Tajinder Grewal: — Thank you, Mr. Speaker. To you and through you, I welcome many members of the Sikh community sitting in the east gallery. Today's a very special day in Sikh history. It's the 350th anniversary of the martyrdom of Guru Tegh Bahadur Ji. Guru Tegh Bahadur Ji is the ninth guru of all Sikhs. He sacrificed his life not for his own religion, not for his own people, but to protect other religions, for truth and justice.

I will name the people who are sitting in the east gallery: Balwinder Kaur Sidhu, Harpreet Kaur Sidhu, Prabhnoor Singh Sidhu, Prabhjot Kaur, Vikram Ji Singh, Jatinder Kaur, Kuldeep Singh, Gurjinder Preet Singh, Gagan Singh Malli, Rasmeet Kaur, Satwinder Singh, Harpinder Singh, Jaspal Singh, Baljinder Singh, Ajit Bal Singh, Sukhjeet Singh, Manmeet Singh, and Nirmal Maur.

I request all members to join me to welcome to their legislature.

Speaker Goudy: — I recognize the member from Weyburn-Bengough.

Michael Weger: — Mr. Speaker, to you and through you, I'd like to introduce two individuals seated in the front row of your gallery. Both of these individuals are employed with the Saskatchewan marshals service and work sort of next door over at the Walter Scott Building.

First we have Dragana Milicic, and she's the director of people and culture. Dragana previously served in a role with the Public Service Commission, and she has a strong understanding of the work being completed by the ministries of Social Services; Corrections, Policing and Public Safety; and Justice.

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And next to Dragana we have Marcee Dimen as the deputy director of personnel with the Saskatchewan marshals service. And Marcee also brings with her a wealth of experience across various ministries in the Government of Saskatchewan, with the last one being the Ministry of Education.

And so I would like to thank both of these individuals, Mr. Speaker, for the hard work they're doing with our Saskatchewan marshals service and their commitment to building our ranks up to 70 sworn officers in the province of Saskatchewan. And I would like to welcome them to this, their Legislative Assembly.

Speaker Goudy: — I recognize the member from Saskatoon Stonebridge.

Darcy Warrington: — Thank you, Mr. Speaker. It's truly an honour to rise and recognize a friend and colleague that I used to teach with at wâhkôhtowin School, Shandel McLeod, who's here with the education workers steering committee.

When I first started working at wâhkôhtowin School in 2023, she was there for me to show me the ropes. There's a lot of students living in poverty in the school that needed special care and attention. And she was such a caring and compassionate individual who is entirely similar to everyone that she's sitting beside. And I think she's just an excellent representative for CUPE, an excellent representative for Saskatoon Public Schools, and has been a supporter of mine throughout the previous election and outside of that.

I'd like everyone in the Assembly to help me in recognizing Shandel McLeod.

Speaker Goudy: — Would anyone mind if I had an extended introduction too?

Some Hon. Members: — Agreed.

Speaker Goudy: — So today in the Speaker's gallery we have two special guests. And I don't know if anybody's noticed the one piece of art, the Roughrider art, down in the cafeteria. So we've got Belinda and her husband, Dr. Giel Kriek, there with us today. And they immigrated to Saskatchewan in 1996, supposedly on a cold winter day. I don't know if there's any warm winter days — when you're from South Africa — in Saskatchewan. But we're glad you came.

Belinda, you went to the U of R [University of Regina] here and received your Bachelor of Fine Arts degree. You had worked in marketing before that. And her artistic pursuits have gone from ceramics to oil paintings with over 500 pieces in public and private collections here. And the one downstairs is a beautiful picture.

But also I think what really inspired a lot of us was what you did for one of our very own Roughriders. I think we'd all heard of this story, but it was quite touching to see it and to know what happened. She was inspired by what she could see in her head and she . . . I guess Dr. Kriek quite often may have his wife wake up in the middle of the night and paint a new creation, so I guess she did it again. So Trevor Harris received a great gift.

And I think our province has received a great gift when you two immigrated to this province. And you know, our hope is for the best in your future. We appreciate all that you've done. For anyone who would like to see some of her works, they're down in the gallery downstairs. And this weekend some of them will come for sale, so hopefully we can bid them up. And you know, just really again I want to say thank you for all that the two of you have done.

Your family, you've got your two sons, Johann and Uys, and so all the best to them. Thank you for your big heart. Thank you for your 40 years of serving our community. So I would ask that all of us welcome the Krieks to this, their Legislative Assembly.

And really quick, I've got a friend in the gallery, a Melfort boy, Jesse Coleman. He and I recently . . . His wife had a crazy idea

to do a Goggins half pint. I don't know if you know what that is, but you run 4 miles every 4 hours for 24 hours. And it was a bad idea. So we suffered together and enjoyed it. We made it through. But welcome Jesse Coleman to his Legislative Assembly.

STATEMENTS BY MEMBERS

Speaker Goudy: — I recognize the member from Regina Pasqua.

Martyrdom of Guru Tegh Bahadur Ji

Bhajan Brar: — Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Today I rise to honour the 350th anniversary of the martyrdom of Guru Tegh Bahadur Ji, the ninth guru of the Sikh and one of history's greatest defenders of human rights.

Sikhs remember Guru Tegh Bahadur Ji for his supreme sacrifice in defending freedom of religion and protecting the oppressed. His courage is captured in the . . . [inaudible] . . . words:

[The hon. member spoke for a time in another language.]

He sacrificed his life to uphold truth and justice, but he never surrendered his principles.

Guru Tegh Bahadur Ji stood for freedom of conscience, the right of every person to follow their faith without fear. He chose to stand for those not of his own faith who were suffering persecution, acting with compassion, moral strength, and deep commitment to human dignity.

These values reflect Saskatchewan: diversity, mutual respect, and religious freedom. Families, including the growing Sikh community, have chosen this province because it is a place where people can live their beliefs openly and safely. From coast to coast we are reminded that the rights he gave his life to defend require continued vigilance.

The spirit of *seva*, selfless sacrifice, continues to strengthen our community. As Sikh family members gather in remembrance, we honour a legacy of courage and humility and share the responsibility to defend the rights of others. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker Goudy: — I recognize the Provincial Secretary.

International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women

Hon. Jamie Martens: — Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Today is the International Day of Elimination of Violence Against Women. Today also marks the start of the 16 days of activism against gender-based violence. This annual campaign highlights the need to protect women, girls, and all residents from violence, a priority shared by our government as we strive to ensure Saskatchewan residents will be safe and secure at home and in their communities.

This includes supporting victims and survivors of violence through targeted legislation, funding, and programming, and stopping violence before it occurs by promoting awareness, education, and accountability. This year we're investing

\$32 million in programs and services throughout the justice system, including funding for community-based partners, transition houses, second-stage shelters, and victims services.

And this fall we introduced *The Cyberstalking and Coercive Control Act*, which explains the definition of interpersonal violence in Saskatchewan. This change clearly defines cyberstalking, online harassment, coercive and controlling behaviour as a form of violence, and provides legislative support to victims as they are seeking help.

Mr. Speaker, for these 16 days I encourage everyone to learn more about the resources available in our province by visiting facetheissue.ca, and anyone experiencing or impacted by violence to call or text 211. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker Goudy: — I recognize the member from Regina South Albert.

Manufacturing, Retail, and Export Numbers as Economic Indicators

Aleana Young: — Well, well, well, Mr. Speaker. Back by unpopular demand, it's Sask Party math. Yesterday in this legislature, the Minister Responsible for Trade and Export stated, and I quote, Saskatchewan has "the strongest economy in Canada." And yet, Mr. Speaker, over the past 10 years this government has shrunk the economy in five of those years. That is the undeniable truth.

StatsCan numbers show that for the first nine months of 2025, manufacturing sales are down over 5 per cent — the third-largest decline in Canada. Saskatchewan has sold \$854 million less in manufactured goods than last year, and we're on pace to sell a billion dollars less. Year to date Saskatchewan's retail sales numbers are the worst in Canada, and year over year, Saskatchewan is down nearly 10 per cent in merchandise exports.

Now experts anticipate that when the numbers for 2025 real GDP [gross domestic product] are released, we will see little growth. And we may see a fourth year in this Premier's eight-year term that shows negative economic growth.

Now, Mr. Speaker, I know math is hard for members opposite and so is accountability. I can only assume that those MLAs [Member of the Legislative Assembly] across the way are busy looking for ways to lay the blame for this at someone else's feet.

Speaker Goudy: — I recognize the member for White City-Qu'Appelle.

Balgonie Supports Community with Annual Dinner Theatre

Brad Crassweller: — Mr. Speaker, on November 7th, 8th, 14th, and 15th, the town of Balgonie held their annual dinner theatre. This event, Mr. Speaker, celebrated its 36th year running where Tumbleweed Theatre presented an outstanding rendition of *Rumors*, a play written by Neil Simon and directed by Kendal Oswald.

There were four sold-out performances, where guests were treated to a spectacular show, as well as an incredible roast beef dinner with more salads and desserts than I've ever seen in one

place in my life. Everyone in attendance went home with incredibly sore stomachs from all the food and laughter.

Mr. Speaker, this event has had over 30,000 people attend since its inception. For perspective, that would almost fill Mosaic Stadium. As well as being a great community event that brings together young and old alike, it has raised over \$1.2 million for various community organizations. All those organizations come and they clear tables, they serve coffee, wash dishes, and clean up. They serve those who so generously support them with their attendance and sponsorship.

Mr. Speaker, events like this only happen because of the dedication of so many people who come together for one main reason: to raise money for so many great organizations, schools, and sports teams in the great constituency of White City-Qu'Appelle. Please join me in congratulating the Balgonie Dinner Theatre committee as well as the many great people that every year buy tickets to support this great community fundraiser. Thank you.

Speaker Goudy: — I recognize the member from Regina Walsh Acres.

Opposition Holds Yorkton Town Hall on Health Care

Jared Clarke: — Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I'm pleased to share an update with the House about our first town hall in our big, bold ideas health care consultation. On Thursday last week, myself, the member for Regina Elphinstone-Centre, and the Leader of the Opposition along with three other MLAs held a town hall in Yorkton. The evening was full of fruitful conversations and dialogue, but there was an overwhelming sense that the people of Yorkton and area had been forgotten.

They have been promised a hospital for 14 years and they are still waiting. Mr. Speaker, people are forced to make do with an aging facility where women giving birth in the maternity ward don't have hot water. Patients can't watch TV or get the internet. The ER [emergency room] is too small. Three patients are crammed into one room in many parts of the acute care wings.

Now we know the staff in these buildings are doing amazing things, but they need the proper facility to do their jobs. Mr. Speaker, showing up to a Santa Claus parade or posting a little video about maybe building a hospital in the future is not the kind of leadership people are looking for. Health care is worse now than ever in the history of this province.

Members on this side of the House will continue to show up and fight for the people of Yorkton as well as every other person in this province who relies on health care.

Speaker Goudy: — I recognize the member from Kelvington-Wadena.

Wadena Farm Equipment Dealership Celebrates 60th Anniversary

Chris Beaudry: — Mr. Speaker, today I rise to recognize a cornerstone of our local economy and agricultural community, Wheatbelt Sales of Wadena. I had the opportunity to attend Wheatbelt Sales' 60th anniversary this Saturday. My math may

be off, Mr. Speaker, but I'd guess half of Kelvington-Wadena was in attendance.

Mr. Speaker, since 1965 Wheatbelt has been serving farmers here at home and around the world. Originally founded in Invermay by Bill, and now under the leadership of Jim Sowa and others, Wheatbelt Sales has built a reputation for integrity, service, and deep commitment to Saskatchewan producers.

Over the years, they've grown to offer top-quality equipment like Buhler Versatile, Bourgault, MacDon, Kubota, and Schulte as well as precision ag tools from Topcon. But more than that, they've become known for something even greater — their people.

Their team of skilled mechanics, knowledgeable sales staff, and friendly service technicians keep our farms running through long days and short seasons. Their work doesn't just move machinery; it moves communities. From Wadena to Guatemala, Australia, Ukraine, and the United States, Wheatbelt Sales has carried Saskatchewan craftsmanship and spirit to the world.

Mr. Speaker, I want to thank Bill, Jim, and the entire Wheatbelt team for their decades of dedication, their service to farmers, and their role in keeping the heart of rural Saskatchewan strong. Thank you.

Speaker Goudy: — I recognize the member from Dakota-Arm River.

Investment in Potash Sector Reflects Commitment to Saskatchewan

Barret Kropf: — Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Congratulations to BHP on the grand opening of their new North American headquarters in Saskatoon and on reaching its 140-year anniversary.

BHP's \$20 billion commitment to develop the Jansen potash mine is by far the largest investment in Saskatchewan history. Jansen is creating stable, high-paying jobs that support families, communities, and will boost our growing economy for generations to come.

BHP is also a significant contributor to community organizations and local initiatives in Indigenous partnerships, housing, education, child care, and environmental stewardship. This includes their partnership with Carlton Trail College for the BHP Potash Academy, investments in the BHP Jansen housing stimulation program, and financial support for new child care centres in LeRoy and Muenster, which create a combined 135 new licensed child care spaces.

Saskatchewan is already the world's largest potash producer, and Jansen will strengthen our leading position, both in the global potash market and as Canada's largest primary producer of critical minerals.

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Over the last two decades, BHP along with Nutrien, Mosaic, and K+S have invested \$40 billion in new mines and mine expansion in the potash sector. It shows industry has confidence in our

abundant resources and our stable and competitive resource development framework. Congratulations once again to BHP on reaching this milestone of 140 years and on the expansion of its North American headquarters in Saskatchewan.

QUESTION PERIOD

Speaker Goudy: — I recognize the Leader of the Opposition.

Rent Control and Affordability

Carla Beck: — Well, Mr. Speaker, I hope they're clapping for this. It's time for rent control in Saskatchewan — 40 straight months of rent hikes; renters reporting 30, even 40 per cent rent hikes often without warning. That's why yesterday in this House we introduced *The Rent Control Act* to try to get these costs under control for struggling Saskatchewan families. It's an important issue, Mr. Speaker. But the response from the Minister of Finance . . . Well he couldn't even be bothered to read the bill.

My question is to the Premier. Is he proud to have a minister, or an entire government, that can't be bothered to actually read the bill, let alone to start to address the struggles that families in this province are facing when it comes to affordability?

Speaker Goudy: — I recognize the Premier.

Hon. Scott Moe: — Mr. Speaker, when it comes to rent control, the government won't be moving forward with that bill or any related policy in that space, Mr. Speaker, because it simply doesn't work. And when rent control is introduced, it actually has the opposite and the not-desired effect, Mr. Speaker.

Mike Moffat, with the Ivey Business School, said this: "I think the best form of rent control that we can have is a 7 per cent vacancy rate." The only way that we're going to get there, where market rents are around the same level as rent controls rent, is through increased supply, Mr. Speaker. *Financial Post* headline from just last year: "The evidence leaves no doubt: rent control hurts rental supply."

Mr. Speaker, the government won't be moving forward with these untested policies, policies that actually achieve the undesired effect, the opposite effect they're intended to, Mr. Speaker. What we are moving forward with, Mr. Speaker, is incentives: two and a half billion dollars each and every budget year to ensure that Saskatchewan remains the most affordable place in Canada to live.

Speaker Goudy: — I recognize the Leader of the Opposition.

Carla Beck: — Well, Mr. Speaker, their record on housing starts is about as good as their record on balanced budgets. But here are the facts for the Premier. Saskatchewan people continue to experience the highest rate of financial anxiety in the entire country. In Saskatoon alone, we saw homelessness up over 30 per cent, all while rents continue to rise.

Still, this government continues to dismiss out of hand the need for rent control. Mr. Speaker, it is certainly not the 300,000 renters in this province who have that government's attention. So maybe it's their corporate donors. Let's take Boardwalk. They tout Saskatchewan as their best-performing market, with

revenues up over 8 per cent in January alone. Meanwhile the seniors that we met with yesterday tell us that Boardwalk has repeatedly jacked up their rent, and they have them looking for jobs in their senior years, maybe even having to move.

Why does this Premier consistently seem more interested in helping Boardwalk record record profits than he does in helping desperate Saskatchewan seniors get by?

Speaker Goudy: — Sorry, Premier.

Yesterday there was a connection made between . . . There was an insinuation that possibly that our hon. government were giving rewards to financial donors. And I would appreciate that we don't take that line of questioning today because I think that is offside and that is not fair.

Premier, would you answer the question.

Hon. Scott Moe: — Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. With respect to the aforementioned answer around increasing housing supply and how the evidence, the title of the *Financial Post* headline a year ago "The evidence leaves no doubt — rent controls hurt rental supply," Mr. Speaker.

Economists have indicated through the Saskatchewan Realtors Association, Mr. Speaker, and I quote, "Economists' consensus is clear: rent controls reduce both the quantity and the quality of available rental housing." We won't be moving forward on rent control, Mr. Speaker.

However, we will be moving forward and delivering every commitment that we had provided and put in front of the people of Saskatchewan in the most recent election just over a year ago, which adds to the affordability measures that we had in place each and every budget. Mr. Speaker, two and a half billion dollars ensuring that Saskatchewan will continue to be the most affordable place in Canada to live.

With respect to rent control, this government will not be moving forward with rent control. This flawed policy doesn't achieve what it intends to, Mr. Speaker. Even the NDP [New Democratic Party] government of the 1990s, they recognized this, as they were the ones that removed rent control from this province in the first place.

Speaker Goudy: — I recognize the Leader of the Opposition.

Education Funding and Supports for Students

Carla Beck: — You know, it doesn't help with housing starts, it doesn't help with affordability, is slapping the PST [provincial sales tax] on construction labour. But anyway, while this government is failing on affordability, they're also failing and continue to fail students in this province.

The kids in this province, they're our future — literally. But in a recent survey, published today by CUPE, 98 per cent of those responding said that cuts to the schools has harmed education to kids. Mr. Speaker, that's not surprising.

But before the Premier finds his feet and stands up and tells us what a great job they're doing, I would ask the Premier this. Why

do only 2 per cent of people in this province agree with you?

Speaker Goudy: — I recognize the Premier.

Hon. Scott Moe: — There have been no cuts to education, Mr. Speaker. The most recent budget had an 8.4 per cent increase to our education budget in the province. The budget prior to that was 8.8 per cent increase to the education budget, to the operating education budget on top of that, Mr. Speaker.

We continue to build schools in this province at an unprecedented rate; over 100 schools being built, Mr. Speaker, or significant renovations to them. And continue to invest in our K to 3 [kindergarten to grade 3] outcomes, Mr. Speaker, continue to invest in our K to 3 outcomes of our students — who are our children and grandchildren in those very schools — by investing in specialized support classrooms to ensure that those supports are available for those students so that we can increase those grade 3 outcomes and thereby increase the opportunities that those students, our children and grandchildren, have in grades 4 through 12 and throughout life, Mr. Speaker.

No cuts to education. The last two years running, Mr. Speaker, an over 8 per cent increase to the operating budget.

Speaker Goudy: — I recognize the Leader of the Opposition.

Carla Beck: — Mr. Speaker, it is so incredibly predictable to see that government faced with 98 per cent of people reporting that these cuts are harming kids, denying the reality of these workers in the gallery time and time again. This government simply doesn't get it, Mr. Speaker. But I will take the word of those education workers every day of the week before I listen to that government congratulate themselves for what they've done in education, Mr. Speaker.

That same survey, that same survey found that 86 per cent of respondents said that one of the biggest impacts that these Sask Party cuts and underfunding in education have had is removing one-to-one supports for kids. Those supports are incredibly, incredibly important for kids to be able to get the education that they deserve.

What does the Premier say to students in this province who have had their one-to-one supports cut?

Speaker Goudy: — I recognize the Premier.

Hon. Scott Moe: — Mr. Speaker, if that is the case, I'd ask the Education minister to engage, first with the school divisions that operate our schools across the province. Second, I would ask the parents to also engage with the school divisions to ensure that their children, who are students in those schools, are receiving the support that they need to be successful and to aspire to all that they will be able to aspire to, Mr. Speaker.

As I said earlier, the Leader of the Opposition continues to misrepresent, Mr. Speaker, the most recent budget that was introduced, Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, that particular budget had an 8.4 per cent increase in the education funding, the operational funding. That builds on 8.8 per cent the year previous.

Mr. Speaker, I would say that as we look into the future, there is

more work to do, and there is more funding that is required in this space, Mr. Speaker. We can agree on that, Mr. Speaker. We need to continue to invest in our education sector, invest in those that are working in our education sector providing that education. And most importantly, invest in those students who are our children, our grandchildren, and the very future of this province, Mr. Speaker.

That is why it is this government that has provided those increases in excess of 8 per cent the last two years running, Mr. Speaker. That's why it is this government that continues to invest in new infrastructure in community after community across the school. And that's why it's this government that has continued to ensuring that we are investing in our education system into the future.

Speaker Goudy: — I recognize the member from Saskatoon Eastview.

Matt Love: — Mr. Speaker, this government is full of bluster but not much else when it comes to public education in Saskatchewan.

Now here's a good question: what happens when a student's one-on-one supports are ripped away? That child is often sent home. We hear reports from parents whose kids are being denied education because there is no one at school to support them. That is shameful, Mr. Speaker. This province is denying these kids their future and the opportunities that they deserve to succeed.

Will the minister tell the Assembly today how many students across Saskatchewan are being sent home because the supports that they need don't exist?

Speaker Goudy: — I recognize the Minister of Education.

Hon. Everett Hindley: — Thank you, Mr. Speaker. As I said in earlier comments today, I think everyone in this Assembly wants to ensure that we are giving our students their best start here in Saskatchewan through a variety of investments, whether it's operating, whether it's capital.

Mr. Speaker, on the operating side, yes that includes teachers, of course, as we often discuss. But it also includes the other support staff that are in our schools right across this province — EAs [educational assistant], specialized support staff within our schools, all the staff that make sure that our schools are operating to their peak abilities, Mr. Speaker. And we're grateful for the work that they do.

As the Premier mentioned, there was a significant increase, particularly in the past couple of budgets, when it comes to operating funding for school divisions, Mr. Speaker. And specifically as well around classroom supports funding, there are \$395 million in funding; an increase of 38 million over last year's budget; about a 10, almost 11 per cent increase, Mr. Speaker.

We do acknowledge that there are some pressures, of course, in some of our schools with respect to the complexity of the classroom, but also the number of students as well, Mr. Speaker. And this is a government that will continue to consult with teachers, EAs, school board members — everyone who's part of

this system — and, most importantly, parents and families and students to make sure we're addressing those challenges, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker Goudy: — I recognize the member from Saskatoon Eastview.

Matt Love: — Mr. Speaker, from the report released by CUPE education workers today, quote: "Because my daughter can't get the supports she needs, the school suggested cutting the school day in half." Another quote: "We have 14 students on shortened school days because we don't have enough EAs."

Is the minister okay with students being sent away from their own school because there are not enough supports? He needs to answer this question.

Speaker Goudy: — I recognize the Minister of Education.

Hon. Everett Hindley: — Thank you, Mr. Speaker. In addition to some of the comments I made earlier, we're also providing more support through a number of other areas, trying to address the challenges we're facing in the education system, whether it is through the specialized support classrooms pilot, which is being expanded beyond the initial eight that were first unveiled in the previous budget, to add another 200 more of those specialized support classrooms, Mr. Speaker.

In addition to that, the hiring of classroom-complexity teachers. And I know that I've talked to parents directly, and to students as a matter of fact as well, who have made themselves familiar with the classroom-complexity teachers as well, Mr. Speaker. And also those that rely on other supports, whether it's through EAs in the classroom, Mr. Speaker, again we have made some significant investments in this area.

We want to ensure that we're providing as much support as we can for students in these classrooms and in schools right across this province so they do have the ability to learn and to be able to succeed in their studies, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker Goudy: — I recognize the member from Regina Walsh Acres.

Provision of Specialized Health Care

Jared Clarke: — Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Today we are joined by Jolene Van Alstine and her husband, Miles Sundeen. Jolene is in desperate need of a specialist to treat a rare form of parathyroid disease. She requires a complex surgery to remove her remaining parathyroid gland, but no Saskatchewan surgeon is able to perform this surgery. She must be referred out of province but can't obtain a referral without being first seen by an endocrinologist, except no endocrinologists are accepting new patients.

She is at a breaking point. Will the minister help Jolene today?

Speaker Goudy: — I recognize the Minister of Health.

Hon. Jeremy Cockrill: — Thank you, Mr. Speaker. And welcome to Miles and Jolene to their legislature today. And thank you for advocating for your own health journey.

[14:15]

Mr. Speaker, I understand the ministry has been in contact with Jolene and Miles over the past several months regarding this situation. Certainly, Mr. Speaker, I'd take the opportunity after question period to have a quick conversation with Miles and Jolene and see if there's anything that can be done to find Jolene a specialist that can meet her needs.

Speaker Goudy: — I recognize the member from Regina Walsh Acres.

Jared Clarke: — Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Jolene's suffering has become unbearable. Is this the support Saskatchewan people can expect after 18 years of this government? She is dealing with a disease that causes extreme bone pain, daily nausea and vomiting, overheating, anxiety and depression due to social isolation.

Without urgent help, Jolene plans to pursue medical assistance in dying. She has been approved for MAID as of January 7th, 2026. So the question is, will the minister help Jolene get the surgery that she needs?

Speaker Goudy: — I recognize the Minister of Health.

Hon. Jeremy Cockrill: — Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, as I indicated in my previous answer, I understand that Miles and Jolene have been in contact with the Ministry of Health and its officials over the last several months regarding this specific situation in finding somebody that could provide this very specialized care that Jolene needs. I'd be happy to have a conversation with Miles and Jolene after question period and speak directly to them and understand if any more can be done. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker Goudy: — I recognize the member from Regina Mount Royal.

Government's Fiscal Management

Trent Wotherspoon: — Mr. Speaker, they're failing to deliver on health care and they're failing to deliver on our finances.

At budget time that Finance minister pledged that there'd be a \$12 million surplus. We said that that budget wasn't worth the paper that it was written on, and we laid out the reasons why. Now the mid-year report is out, and it proves out all the concerns that we brought forward.

The Sask Party is projecting a half-billion-dollar deficit. They're adding \$1 billion to our provincial debt. Well who could've imagined, Mr. Speaker? How on earth can that Finance minister defend missing the mark by half a billion dollars on our deficit, a billion dollars more in debt, with his awful budget that was dead wrong from day one?

Speaker Goudy: — I recognize the Minister of Finance.

Hon. Jim Reiter: — Mr. Speaker, just because the member talks louder doesn't make him right.

Mr. Speaker, if you look back on the record, day after day in the

House last spring he did say there was going to be a deficit, but he blamed it on the tariffs, which wasn't the case, Mr. Speaker. The fact of the matter, Mr. Speaker, is there's a number of economic . . .

[Interjections]

Speaker Goudy: — I'd ask that we listen to the questions and we listen to the answers, please.

Minister of Finance.

Hon. Jim Reiter: — The fact of the matter, Mr. Speaker, there's a number of economic headwinds that are impacting not just the great province of Saskatchewan, but all the provinces across the country and indeed right around the world, Mr. Speaker.

Here's the situation. There are economic headwinds, but we are in a good place to manage those, Mr. Speaker. The fundamentals of our economy are still strong. We have the second-lowest unemployment rate in the country, Mr. Speaker. When it comes to net debt-to-GDP, Mr. Speaker — I know the member doesn't like this statistic, but it's a fact and it's what the bond rating agencies look at — we're in second place. When it comes to per capita deficit, Mr. Speaker, best in the country. And the list goes on. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker Goudy: — I recognize the member from Regina Mount Royal.

Trent Wotherspoon: — You know, Mr. Speaker, it's Agribition week. Cow patty bingo would be a better predictor of a budget than that Finance minister and Sask Party government.

You know, their so-called \$12 million surplus was blown on budget day before the crowd that was seated in the gallery headed out to eat cream puffs in the library at the tea, Mr. Speaker. It would be comical if it didn't come at such a cost to Saskatchewan people.

A billion dollars more in debt, half-a-billion-dollar deficit, a half-billion-dollar hole with their OBPS [output-based performance standards], forcing SaskPower into a \$166 million hole? Now Saskatchewan people know how this works. It's always them that are left to foot the bill for that tax-and-squander Sask Party government.

How much more are Saskatchewan people going to be forced to pay because of that minister, that government's awful budget?

Speaker Goudy: — I recognize the Minister of Finance.

Hon. Jim Reiter: — Mr. Speaker, it would be funny if it wasn't sad, Mr. Speaker. But the member stands on his feet; he says you spend too much. An hour ago, the Leader of the Opposition's out front saying you're not spending enough.

Mr. Speaker, they want to spend more; they want to spend less. They're in favour of pipelines; they're opposed to pipelines, Mr. Speaker. They're flipflopping on every possible issue, Mr. Speaker. The fact is, the matter, they're not a serious opposition.

Speaker Goudy: — I recognize the member from Regina

University.

Government Priorities for Major Infrastructure Projects

Sally Housser: — Thank you, Mr. Speaker. This morning the Premier referenced raising access to the Port of Vancouver with the late John Horgan. They notably didn't say anything about raising the issue with the current Premier who's been on the job for three years.

We're losing major infrastructure projects to the US [United States] because this government is missing in action. Will he do his job and advocate with the current BC [British Columbia] Premier for better port access?

Speaker Goudy: — I recognize the Premier.

Hon. Scott Moe: — Mr. Speaker, I'm thankful that the members opposite and many members on this side had some time to spend over at Agribition, Mr. Speaker.

Never mind cow patty bingo, Mr. Speaker. What we have in the NDP across this nation is cow patty policy making, Mr. Speaker. What you see is an NDP party across this nation, Mr. Speaker, that doesn't support pipelines. Then they do support pipelines. Then they come back and they don't support pipelines.

The same with the carbon tax. Flip . . .

Speaker Goudy: — I'm going to ask . . . You know, cow patty started on one side. Now it's gone to the other side. I think we should probably keep to . . . You know, we've got a lot of honourable citizens we're serving. Let's keep our questions and answers civil.

Premier, please.

Hon. Scott Moe: — We see — and I appreciate that, Mr. Speaker — and we see much investment being targeted for the West Coast of our continent, Mr. Speaker. And then we see an ND premier stand up, Mr. Speaker. That Premier says we don't want oil in this port, Mr. Speaker, because you can't get a boat into it. And then that same NDP policy-making Premier questions why another industry isn't making that very investment in our nation, Mr. Speaker.

What we see is, when we are presented with the choice to be part of the solution or part of the problem, time and time and time again we see the NDP always choosing to be part of the problem, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker Goudy: — I recognize the member from Regina University.

Sally Housser: — Well thank you so much, Mr. Speaker. No wonder the Premier and his ministers spent yesterday advocating that the opposition should do their job. They're not getting it done.

A major potash infrastructure project is going to Washington. And the Agriculture minister throws up his hands, like they have no responsibility for anything somehow in this country, and says it's just best for business, when it's his government that has failed

to advocate for Canadian jobs in the infrastructure that industry needs.

Will the Premier get himself a seat at a table, any table, and actually get the job done?

Speaker Goudy: — I recognize the Premier.

Hon. Scott Moe: — Mr. Speaker, \$20 billion invested in BHP Jansen potash mine, Mr. Speaker. That's getting the job done. Mr. Speaker, we see the doubling of production out at K+S mine, Mr. Speaker. That's getting the job done.

Two uranium mines, Mr. Speaker, that have got all their provincial approvals and waiting for the federal approval so that they can come into production, Mr. Speaker. One net zero copper mine, Mr. Speaker, being built — part of the major infrastructure projects list, Mr. Speaker — will be coming online in the next couple of years. That's getting the job done, Mr. Speaker.

We see the doubling of a canola crush plant, the Richardson plant in Yorkton; the doubling of the Louis Dreyfus plant in Yorkton. The building of the Cargill plant just outside the city of Regina, Mr. Speaker, adding value to each and every bushel of canola that's grown in this province, Mr. Speaker. That's getting the job done, Mr. Speaker.

What is not getting the job done is when you have an NDP premier, Mr. Speaker, that stands up very high, Mr. Speaker. And what he said is, we don't want your oil in our ports because we can't get a boat in here. And then he wonders why investment is fleeing this nation, Mr. Speaker.

Again I would say this. That when it comes to having the opportunity to be part of the solution or part of the problem, time and time and time again in this nation we see the NDP being part of the problem each and every time.

Speaker Goudy: — I recognize the member from Saskatoon Centre.

Access to Addictions Treatment

Betty Nippi-Albright: — Well, Mr. Speaker, I'm going to stand up very high today here in this Chamber. Mr. Speaker, the fact of the matter is repeatedly the minister has claimed her ministry is moving towards a central intake system to track wait times for addictions treatment.

I'd like to read a quote: "To improve the system itself, my government has committed to implementing a central intake for mental health and addictions treatment to better serve patients." That's from the Throne Speech in 2023.

They're moving pretty slow, Mr. Speaker. Why is it that after two years of promises, after 18 years in office, that the minister still doesn't know how long addictions treatment wait times are in this very province?

Speaker Goudy: — I recognize the Minister of Mental Health and Addictions.

Hon. Lori Carr: — Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, she

is right. That is exactly what is in our mental health and addictions plan that was rolled out in 2023. That's a five-year action plan, Mr. Speaker.

And as part of the central intake system, we have a working group that is taking in the consideration of facilities across the province. There are individuals, there are doctors, there are treatment centre employees on that working group, Mr. Speaker, to ensure that we get that system right when we roll it out. And it will be rolled out, Mr. Speaker, because the commitment that we have of adding an additional 500 beds to our system — of which we just about have 300 added already, also part of our five-year plan, Mr. Speaker — we will get to those 500 beds. And that central intake system will be integral, but we want to get it right with the people that will actually be using it. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker Goudy: — I recognize the Opposition House Leader.

Nicole Sarauer: — Point of order, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker Goudy: — And what was your point of order?

POINT OF ORDER

Nicole Sarauer: — Thank you, Mr. Speaker. During the course of question period today, the Premier accused the Leader of the Opposition of "misrepresenting" the budget. Mr. Speaker, this type of language has been found unparliamentary many times in this Chamber. The rules apply to all of us equally. I'd ask that you find that language unparliamentary and ask that the Premier apologize and withdraw.

Speaker Goudy: — So I noticed the word. And as I mentioned before, when we discuss and debate, there will be times in this Chamber where we disagree with one another, and we can say that they got the facts wrong, they misrepresented the budget. If there's ever any intentional misrepresentation in that kind of language, in that kind of context, I think . . . And so this I must admit when I heard it . . . I would ask us, and this member, to stay clear of those words that don't need to be used. And yet, in the case of the Premier, I did think of it quite a bit. I wish you wouldn't have used it because it was . . . I knew I was going to get challenged on it. But, Premier, I'd give you an opportunity. I don't think it was offside, but you know, why don't you apologize for that.

Hon. Scott Moe: — I'll be much more careful.

Speaker Goudy: — You're welcome. Well, no in reality, in this case . . .

Hon. Scott Moe: — Mr. Speaker, you are correct, Mr. Speaker. And for whoever has the honour of sitting in this chair should be setting the bar for the language on the floor of this Assembly. And so I will endeavour to be much more careful and steer clear, not even being on the line when it comes to, be it this type of language on the floor of this Assembly. And so I will endeavour to do better, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker Goudy: — And why is the member on his feet?

Trent Wotherspoon: — Requesting leave to introduce a guest.

Speaker Goudy: — The member has requested leave to introduce a guest. Is leave granted?

Some Hon. Members: — Agreed.

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS

Trent Wotherspoon: — Thanks, Mr. Speaker. I noticed just before question period a guest enter the east gallery. He may not appreciate me giving him an introduction here today; I know he's not looking for one. But I want to give a very special and warm welcome to Graham Barker, the pride of Weyburn, Mr. Speaker.

Graham is a leader in business throughout his entire life and a leader in volunteerism and giving back to his community — a heavy focus throughout his life in sports and youth and community development. I know he's received an award from the Governor General through his life for volunteerism, Mr. Speaker. A very strong leader in business. He was, I believe, the Chair of the Roughriders when we won the Cup in 2007. I believe he's a life member of the Royal Regina Golf Club — an awesome golfer as well.

[14:30]

He's an awesome athlete, but he's not all about sports and business. This is someone that cares deeply about his province, always has; has a keen interest in public policy and public policy that's in the interest of people. He's the epitome of an engaged citizen with a critical mind to the affairs of this Assembly and all of us that partake in the debate around here, always with a focus to better the province that he loves and the situation for people within this province.

So on behalf of the official opposition and hopefully a grateful province, it's my pleasure to welcome Graham Barker to his Assembly.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

Bill No. 42 — *The Saskatchewan Firearms Amendment Act, 2025*

Speaker Goudy: — I recognize the Minister of Justice.

Hon. Tim McLeod: — Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I move that Bill No. 42, *The Saskatchewan Firearms Amendment Act, 2025* be now introduced and read a first time.

Speaker Goudy: — It's been moved by the Minister of Justice that Bill No. 42, *The Saskatchewan Firearms Amendment Act, 2025* be now introduced and read a first time. Is it the pleasure of the Assembly to adopt the motion?

Some Hon. Members: — Agreed.

Speaker Goudy: — Carried.

Principal Clerk: — First reading of this bill.

Speaker Goudy: — When shall this bill be read a second time? I recognize the Minister of Justice.

Hon. Tim McLeod: — Next sitting of the Assembly, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker Goudy: — Next sitting.

PRESENTING REPORTS BY STANDING AND SPECIAL COMMITTEES

Speaker Goudy: — I recognize the Chair of the Standing Committee on Crown and Central Agencies.

Standing Committee on Crown and Central Agencies

Doug Steele: — Mr. Speaker, I am instructed by the Standing Committee on Crown and Central Agencies to report Bill No. 25, the income tax Act, amended Act, 2025 without amendment.

Speaker Goudy: — When shall this bill be considered in Committee of the Whole on Bills? I recognize the Minister of Finance.

Hon. Jim Reiter: — Mr. Speaker, I request leave to waive consideration in Committee of the Whole on this bill and that this bill be now read the third time.

Speaker Goudy: — The minister has requested leave to waive consideration in Committee of the Whole on Bill No. 25, *The Income Tax (Miscellaneous) Amendment Act, 2025* and that the bill be read now the third time. Is leave granted?

Some Hon. Members: — Agreed.

Speaker Goudy: — The minister may proceed to move third reading.

THIRD READINGS

Bill No. 25 — *The Income Tax (Miscellaneous) Amendment Act, 2025*

Hon. Jim Reiter: — I move that the bill be now read the third time and passed under its title.

Speaker Goudy: — It has been moved by the minister that the bill be now read the third time and passed under its title. Is the Assembly ready for the question?

Some Hon. Members: — Question.

Speaker Goudy: — Is it the pleasure of the Assembly to adopt the motion?

Some Hon. Members: — Agreed.

Speaker Goudy: — Carried.

Principal Clerk: — Third reading of this bill.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

WRITTEN QUESTIONS

Speaker Goudy: — I recognize the Government Whip.

Sean Wilson: — I wish to order questions no. 21 to 23.

Speaker Goudy: — Questions no. 21 to 23 are ordered.

GOVERNMENT ORDERS

ADJOURNED DEBATES

SECOND READINGS

Bill No. 24

[The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion by the Hon. Warren Kaeding that **Bill No. 24 — *The Saskatchewan Internal Trade Promotion Act*** be now read a second time.]

Speaker Goudy: — I recognize the member from Regina Douglas Park.

Nicole Sarauer: — Thank you, Mr. Speaker. It is my honour to rise today and enter into the debate on Bill No. 24, *The Saskatchewan Internal Trade Promotion Act*. Had a lot of colleagues already speak to this bill, Mr. Speaker. I will try to add my two cents on this piece of legislation.

We've been talking a lot about the importance of improving trade not just internationally but interprovincially as well, Mr. Speaker. I know that my colleague, the member for Saskatoon Riversdale, has been doing a lot of consultation over the summer around how we can improve trade internally within Canada and has put forward some fairly reasonable proposals to government, Mr. Speaker, some of which we see in this legislation, some of which we don't. Mr. Speaker, there were some protections that we were hoping to see in this legislation that aren't in the government bill but do exist in the private member's bill that is also currently before the legislature this session.

Mr. Speaker, I know that there are many other colleagues who have thoughts on this legislation that also want to speak to this bill. At this point I'm now prepared to move to adjourn debate on Bill No. 24.

Speaker Goudy: — The member has moved to adjourn debate. Is it the pleasure of the Assembly to adopt the motion?

Some Hon. Members: — Agreed.

Speaker Goudy: — Carried.

Bill No. 29

[The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion by the Hon. Alana Ross that **Bill No. 29 — *The Tailgating Act/Loi sur les rassemblements d'avant-match*** be now read a second time.]

Speaker Goudy: — I recognize the member from Regina Douglas Park.

Nicole Sarauer: — Thank you, Mr. Speaker. It's my honour to rise today and enter into the debate on Bill No. 29, *The Tailgating Act*. I know I've had lots of my colleagues who've entered into the

debate on this legislation — an exciting piece of legislation, Mr. Speaker.

I know lots of folks in the province and in particular the city of Regina were interested in this announcement. And I think we're all very curious to see how the rollout ends up playing out, Mr. Speaker, how this is going to look in terms of operability. Mr. Speaker, we're all waiting to see eagerly once this legislation likely passes in the spring.

I know that every member in this Chamber wants to see the Riders succeed on the field, but we also want to see the Riders succeed as a financial entity as well, Mr. Speaker. We hope that these types of innovative ways of moving forward could perhaps spur more investment and growth in terms of those who come to our fine city to come to Rider games and who participate in the local economy as a result, Mr. Speaker. We do think and hope that this will spur a new growth of folks who come to Mosaic Stadium to cheer on our Riders.

We'll be very interested to see, of course, how this legislation ends up operating in real life, Mr. Speaker. But it is an exciting advancement that puts us in line with many other jurisdictions.

Mr. Speaker, at this stage, I'm now prepared to move to adjourn debate on Bill No. 29.

Speaker Goudy: — The member has moved to adjourn debate. Is it the pleasure of the Assembly to adopt the motion?

Some Hon. Members: — Agreed.

Speaker Goudy: — Carried.

Bill No. 30

[The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion by the Hon. Tim McLeod that **Bill No. 30 — *The Inter-jurisdictional Support Orders Amendment Act, 2025/Loi modificative de 2025 sur les ordonnances alimentaires interterritoriales*** be now read a second time.]

Speaker Goudy: — I recognize the member from Saskatoon Fairview.

Vicki Mowat: — Thank you, Mr. Speaker. It's my honour to enter into adjourned debates again on Bill No. 30, *The Inter-jurisdictional Support Orders Amendment Act, 2025*. This particular piece of legislation talks about coordination of international child support, Mr. Speaker.

It is never something that we want to happen or envision happening when we bring children into this world, of course. But we know that families are messy and things happen and sometimes it's better for folks to part ways than to stay together. And that has significant financial implications for those families as well, Mr. Speaker.

I think one of the first issues that was ever brought to me was maintenance orders not being paid by a constituent. You know, before I was even elected, they were coming to my campaign office talking to me about this ongoing issue of enforcing maintenance. And this can be make or break for families. There's not always an even level of compensation between partners in

marriage, and that can have a really big impact on kids depending on where they land within custody.

So you know, it's important that we have this co-operation between Saskatchewan and other jurisdictions when we have one partner that has moved to a different province or country, that there is still an enforceable and tangible way to make sure that that maintenance is being provided.

We know that kids are expensive. You probably know this better than a lot of us, Mr. Speaker, not to engage you in debate. But we know that children are expensive. We need to make sure that there is ability to provide for and support the children of this province.

And so I know the critic will be digging into this, and we have lots of other colleagues that will be digging into this matter. But with that I would move to adjourn debate on Bill No. 30 for today.

Speaker Goudy: — The member has moved to adjourn debate. Is it the pleasure of the Assembly to adopt the motion?

Some Hon. Members: — Agreed.

Speaker Goudy: — Carried.

Bill No. 31

[The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion by the Hon. Tim McLeod that **Bill No. 31 — *The Defamation Act*** be now read a second time.]

Speaker Goudy: — I recognize the member from Saskatoon Fairview.

Vicki Mowat: — Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. It's my honour to enter into debate on Bill No. 31, *The Defamation Act*.

I luckily am not terribly familiar with this type of legislation on libel and slander, which I think is probably most people's goal when they serve in this role, is to not know that much about this piece of legislation, Mr. Speaker. It's my goal to get through my service without having an intimate knowledge of this legislation.

But this defamation Act, the minister said in his second reading remarks that it came from 19 recommendations that were reported through the Law Reform Commission of Saskatchewan, who undertook a review of *The Libel and Slander Act* and made recommendations to modernize to put us in line with other jurisdictions.

Some of those recommendations, some of those changes include getting rid of the words "slander" and "libel," instead replacing it with the word "defamation." So those words and those distinctions that people have known for a really long time will change. It'll take the public probably quite a long time to understand what that looks like, Mr. Speaker, as well as different liability standards for defamation.

It also factors in online defamation which we certainly, I think anyone who's in this role or any public-facing role understands that we see so much of that these days. And I think there's sort

of this . . . I don't know if it's the empowering or impersonal nature of the written word and the internet, but people often feel so free to write things on the internet that they wouldn't necessarily say in a conversation to someone sitting next to them. And so we've seen this sort of division and heated discourse happening in that space as well.

Hopefully some of this will help to quell misinformation and to fight against some of that happening as well, because it's damaging. And you know, I think there are real people behind everything that's happening on the internet as well — most things, I think, Mr. Speaker. And so, yeah, we would certainly like to make sure that that's limited.

I know that we'll be actively consulting stakeholders to make sure that these changes are in fact in line with those recommendations, that they are impartial, and that they have an overall net-positive impact. But with that I would move to adjourn debate on Bill No. 31.

Speaker Goudy: — The member has moved to adjourn debate. Is it the pleasure of the Assembly to adopt the motion?

Some Hon. Members: — Agreed.

Speaker Goudy: — Carried.

Bill No. 32

[The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion by the Hon. Tim McLeod that **Bill No. 32 — *The Defamation Consequential Amendments Act, 2025/Loi de 2025 corrélative de la loi intitulée The Defamation Act*** be now read a second time.]

Speaker Goudy: — I recognize the member from Saskatoon Fairview.

Vicki Mowat: — Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Honoured to be in debate today on Bill No. 32, *The Defamation Consequential Amendments Act, 2025*. We know that when we introduce new pieces of legislation, we often have to change other pieces of legislation to make sure they are in line. Mostly this is the result of changes in language, changes in definition, but it thus needs to happen. And I do not envy the hard-working folks who have a legal mind who are going behind and going through all of these pieces.

But I think most of the substance of my remarks can be found in my response to Bill No. 31, as that's where most of the substance of this change happens. So with that, I would move to adjourn debate on Bill No. 32.

Deputy Speaker B. McLeod: — The member has moved to adjourn debate. Is it the pleasure of the Assembly to adopt the motion?

Some Hon. Members: — Agreed.

Deputy Speaker B. McLeod: — Carried.

Bill No. 33

[The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed

motion by the Hon. Tim McLeod that **Bill No. 33 — *The Credit Union Amendment Act, 2025*** be now read a second time.]

Deputy Speaker B. McLeod: — I recognize the member from Saskatoon Centre.

[14:45]

Betty Nippi-Albright: — Thank you, Mr. Deputy Speaker. I'm pleased to speak on the amendments announced by the government regarding *The Credit Union Act* and therefore giving me the opportunity to speak on Bill 33, *The Credit Union Amendment Act*. And this piece of legislation is to modernize the 1998 credit union Act.

And when I think of the credit unions, especially in rural Saskatchewan, they've been incredible in helping to help the economy and help grow the province to what it is today. And it's always important when legislation has been introduced to ensure that the stakeholders that are going to be impacted are engaged in a meaningful way and have an opportunity to present their perspectives.

So with this, I'm sure that more of my colleagues will offer their remarks on this, and the critic for this area will certainly be engaging more with the stakeholders to see if there's any other things that need to be included or things that have been missed by this amendment. However having said that, I would like to move to adjourn debate on Bill No. 33, *The Credit Union Amendment Act, 2025*.

Deputy Speaker B. McLeod: — The member has moved to adjourn debate. Is it the pleasure of the Assembly to adopt the motion?

Some Hon. Members: — Agreed.

Deputy Speaker B. McLeod: — Carried.

Bill No. 34

[The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion by the Hon. Tim McLeod that **Bill No. 34 — *The Cyberstalking and Coercive Control Act*** be now read a second time.]

Deputy Speaker B. McLeod: — I recognize the member from Saskatoon Stonebridge.

Darcy Warrington: — Thank you, Mr. Deputy Speaker. It's an honour to rise today to discuss Bill 34, *The Cyberstalking and Coercive Control Act* and bring remarks. And in looking at it very quickly, I'm drawn to how it connects with issues I've experienced first-hand — not from policing, as the member from Saskatoon Silverspring noted in his thoughtful comments, but from my own years as a teacher and educator.

For much of that time I worked directly with teens and even preteens who were trying to work their way through learning how to use social media safely and responsibly. You know, I can't help but reflect as well. Just as the member from Cumberland spoke about the need to reach out to stakeholders, ensure processes are safe, responsible, respectful of privacy, the same

principles guide how we must approach online safety for young people.

In the classroom I saw too commonly how quickly situations could escalate, how something that started as a small misunderstanding or a poorly chosen message on social media could turn into harassment, intimidation, or deep emotional harm. And unfortunately it was at that time difficult to navigate situations that had no formal process attached, no built-in safeguard requiring anyone to notify the proper authorities, and no guarantees that adults would know about it at all.

Young people deserve systems that protect them. As the member from Saskatoon Silverspring noted regarding enforcement of emergency intervention orders, simply placing an idea on paper does not guarantee the safety of those most at risk. In schools we learned that too. Setting rules is one thing. Ensuring students had the tools, the supports, and the confidence to come forward when they needed help was something else entirely.

I've had students whose cultural and family background shape the way they approached the online world, sometimes with great resilience, sometimes with unique vulnerabilities. Their stories reminded me daily that any policy we create must be flexible enough to honour that diversity while still ensuring safety.

For myself, having worked with so many young people navigating the early stages of their digital identities, I've come to appreciate how important it is that we put real, effective supports around them. Supports that recognize privacy, that acknowledge their family contexts, and that ensure safety isn't just something we talk about, but something we implement responsibly. And we encourage this government to make more of an effort to install strategies for interpersonal violence.

So as we consider the implications of this bill and as we continue the broader conversation about safety, identity, and responsibility in our province, I move that debate on Bill 34 be now adjourned.

Deputy Speaker B. McLeod: — The member has moved to adjourn debate. Is it the pleasure of the Assembly to adopt the motion?

Some Hon. Members: — Agreed.

Deputy Speaker B. McLeod: — Carried.

Bill No. 35

[The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion by the Hon. Colleen Young that **Bill No. 35 — *The Mineral Resources Amendment Act, 2025*** be now read a second time.]

Deputy Speaker B. McLeod: — I recognize the Opposition House Leader.

Nicole Sarauer: — Thank you, Mr. Deputy Speaker. I am pleased to rise to enter into debate on Bill No. 35, *The Mineral Resources Amendment Act*, Mr. Deputy Speaker.

Now my understanding of this legislation is that it supports the mining industry by creating rules to improve and maximize

mineral exploration in the province. It also allows companies to apply for access to explore minerals in areas that are considered inaccessible at this time. Mr. Deputy Speaker, the hope is that this legislation will attract more investment and expand mining, which is of course a significant part of the Saskatchewan economy, Mr. Speaker.

I think this legislation seeks to address some of the gaps and issues that has been found throughout the years in the currently existing legislation through consultation with industry as well as other stakeholders.

Mr. Deputy Speaker, I know that many other colleagues are going to be keen to enter into debate on this bill as well in the future. As this point now, I do move that we adjourn debate on Bill No. 35.

Deputy Speaker B. McLeod: — The member has moved to adjourn debate. Is it the pleasure of the Assembly to adopt the motion?

Some Hon. Members: — Agreed.

Deputy Speaker B. McLeod: — Carried.

Bill No. 36

[The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion by the Hon. Jeremy Cockrill that **Bill No. 36 — *The Change of Name Amendment Act, 2025/Loi modificative de 2025 sur le changement de nom*** be now read a second time.]

Deputy Speaker B. McLeod: — I recognize the member from Saskatoon Stonebridge.

Darcy Warrington: — Thank you, Mr. Deputy Speaker. Again it's an honour to rise here today and enter in some brief remarks on Bill No. 36, *The Change of Name Amendment Act, 2025*.

You know, in looking at the bill, it allows only permanent residents and citizens to be able to change their names, which made me a little bit curious as to how often temporary residents of Saskatchewan were attempting to change their names and the reasons why they would be doing that.

I know that in part of the process of this bill's passage we're going to have to be reaching out to many stakeholders. And I encourage the government to do the same of reaching out to those stakeholders and look at the processes that would need to be there to notify the police and making sure that that's done safely and responsibly.

You know, just a few moments ago I was talking about domestic violence here in the province of Saskatchewan. We need to make sure that as people are changing their names, that when they do notify the police that they're able to do that in a way that respects privacy and that we're doing things safely and responsibly. Some name changes could be made to prevent additional interpersonal violence. Conversely we want to make sure that all those changing their names do have it reported in case those individuals are of interest to police and RCMP [Royal Canadian Mounted Police].

As a former teacher and educator who worked closely with students for several years, there's certainly implications for protecting youth inside and outside of schools through the amendment, and I think it does accomplish some of those goals in a positive way. I know that there's going to be as our province . . . We had also talked about the beauty of the diversity of this place that we call home here in the province of Saskatchewan. We welcome the greater freedom to respect people's cultural and religious naming practices, and some of those practices may be covered by this legislation.

So it's interesting to see some of the things that have come up here through *The Change of Name Amendment Act*. From my perspective as someone who taught children and watched them build their identities, I worry about folks online typing their thoughts through a keyboard, pretending to be whomever they want. But that discussion might be for another time.

I would also briefly acknowledge the thoughtful remarks from the member from Saskatoon Silverspring. His points about lengthening multi-component last names and about ensuring policies and regulations are applied consistently resonate here as well. There are bona fide reasons for authorities to know when a person has legally changed their name in some circumstances, but there must also be standards so the process isn't too laid-back.

I appreciate the opportunity to add remarks on this legislation, and I will move to adjourn debate on Bill No. 36, *The Change of Name Amendment Act, 2025*.

Deputy Speaker B. McLeod: — The member has moved to adjourn debate. Is it the pleasure of the Assembly to adopt the motion?

Some Hon. Members: — Agreed.

Deputy Speaker B. McLeod: — Carried.

Bill No. 37

[The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion by the Hon. Jeremy Cockrill that **Bill No. 37 — *The Vital Statistics Amendment Act, 2025/Loi modificative de 2025 sur les services de l'état civil*** be now read a second time.]

Deputy Speaker B. McLeod: — I recognize the Opposition House Leader.

Nicole Sarauer: — Thank you, Mr. Deputy Speaker. It's my honour to rise today and enter into the debate on Bill No. 37, *The Vital Statistics Amendment Act*, Mr. Speaker. Now my understanding of this legislation is that this bill will make a number of changes that reflect changes in naming conventions and traditions in Saskatchewan, for example, like the option to register a single name, Mr. Deputy Speaker, which isn't allowed at this time but this bill will then allow for it.

Similar to the other piece of legislation we just spoke about, this is reflective of the changing dynamics of those who are in our province now, Mr. Deputy Speaker, and we need to be mindful and reflective of those shifts, and accepting. This is a piece of legislation that will allow some naming conventions which are perhaps not necessarily traditional in our historical context in this

province, but will become more traditional over time, Mr. Deputy Speaker.

I know others are looking forward to entering into the debate on this legislation as well. At this point in time, I'm now prepared to move to adjourn debate on Bill No. 37.

Deputy Speaker B. McLeod: — The member has moved to adjourn debate. Is it the pleasure of the Assembly to adopt the motion?

Some Hon. Members: — Agreed.

Deputy Speaker B. McLeod: — Carried.

Bill No. 38

[The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion by the Hon. Everett Hindley that **Bill No. 38 — *The Building Schools Faster Act*** be now read a second time.]

Deputy Speaker B. McLeod: — I recognize the member from Saskatoon Riversdale.

Kim Breckner: — Thank you, Mr. Deputy Speaker. It's a pleasure to be on my feet to speak to Bill No. 38, *The Building Schools Faster Act*. Mr. Speaker, I do wonder if this Act will really have the result of building schools faster.

I think to a school in my own constituency, the city centre project, which was first announced in 2020 with an anticipated completion date of 2024. We only saw the initial sod-turning ceremony this past summer, now with an estimated completion date of 2027, three years behind. The land for the project was already acquired. It was the site of the existing Princess Alexandra School. I understand that after the school's announcement there were some miscalculations that the government could buy the adjacent property held by the City Centre Church, which ended up not being the case, which required downsizing the number of students the new school could hold and some redesign of the project.

This all makes me wonder, will putting the onus on municipalities to identify new schools and acquire the land really build schools faster? Or does the government need to look to improve their own procurement processes? Looking at what's happened with the city centre school project, I suggest it's the latter.

Further this bill only addresses new schools. It does nothing to address the multitudes of existing schools that are in desperate need of maintenance. This is deeply disturbing, as the government has cut funding to education in the last budget. And since there's some dispute on this, let me be crystal clear: when I say cut funding, I mean budgeted to spend less this year than what they spent last year.

And I stand by this criticism even though, you know, today we criticized the government for missing their budget by half a billion dollars. We're not against spending. We're against mismanagement. We're against things like overspending 100 million on water bombers that did not put out a single fire this past summer.

With that, Mr. Speaker, I move to adjourn debate on Bill No. 38, *The Building Schools Faster Act*.

Deputy Speaker B. McLeod: — The member has moved to adjourn debate. Is it the pleasure of the Assembly to adopt the motion?

Some Hon. Members: — Agreed.

Deputy Speaker B. McLeod: — Carried.

Bill No. 39

[The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion by the Hon. Everett Hindley that **Bill No. 39 — *The Building Schools Faster Consequential Amendment Act, 2025/Loi de 2025 corrélative de la loi intitulée The Building Schools Faster Act*** be now read a second time.]

Deputy Speaker B. McLeod: — I recognize the member from Saskatoon Riversdale.

Kim Breckner: — Thank you, Mr. Deputy Speaker. *The Building Schools Faster Consequential Amendment Act, 2025* is a way of implementing *The Building Schools Faster Act*. I believe my comments would apply to both of these Acts, and so I move to also adjourn debate on Bill No. 39.

Deputy Speaker B. McLeod: — The member has moved to adjourn debate. Is it the pleasure of the Assembly to adopt the motion?

Some Hon. Members: — Agreed.

Deputy Speaker B. McLeod: — Carried.

Bill No. 40

[The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion by the Hon. Daryl Harrison that **Bill No. 40 — *The Animal Protection Amendment Act, 2025*** be now read a second time.]

[15:00]

Deputy Speaker B. McLeod: — I recognize the member from Regina Walsh Acres.

Jared Clarke: — Thank you, Mr. Deputy Speaker. It's a pleasure to be on my feet to join into debate on Bill No. 40, *The Animal Protection Amendment Act, 2025*. This is an update to *The Animal Protection Act*. There's a number of pieces in this legislation that are modernizing the Act. And you know, we support those, bringing into line with other jurisdictions. But I want to take a moment just to kind of talk about why this Act is important in general.

You know, we're celebrating Canadian Western Agribition this week in Regina and Saskatchewan, a premier agricultural show that brings producers from across the province to Regina to showcase just the spectacular, spectacular livestock that we have here in Saskatchewan. Because Saskatchewan producers take good care of their livestock.

But there are situations in the province where, you know, animal cruelty exists. And we want to make sure that we're protecting those animals, and that those animals' welfare is being taken care of.

I was reading through an article on the proposed legislation here, and a veterinary spoke about kind of the causes or some of the reasons behind issues when there are animal neglect or animal abuse. And often, she cited, those are related to potential stressors — financial stressors, mental health stressors — for those who are caring for these animals or struggling to care for these animals.

And so it's good to see in this legislation, you know, the development of animal welfare inspectors who can work with producers, who can work with those who are keeping animals and making sure that they're being kept safe and healthy and all of those good things.

Also good to see the code of conduct for those animal protection officers. You know, having a standardized code of conduct for those folks across the province is a good idea.

And yeah, I think with that, Mr. Speaker, I will end my comments and move to adjourn debate on Bill No. 40. And I'm sure the critic will be consulting with many stakeholders to further dive into this bill and make sure that we fully understand the implications of this bill. My colleagues are laughing at me so I will end debate. Or I will move to adjourn debate on Bill 40. Thank you.

Deputy Speaker B. McLeod: — The member has moved to adjourn debate. Is it the pleasure of the Assembly to adopt the motion?

Some Hon. Members: — Agreed.

Deputy Speaker B. McLeod: — Carried.

Bill No. 41

[The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion by the Hon. Alana Ross that **Bill No. 41 — *The Heritage Recognition (From Many Peoples, Strength) Act/Loi sur la reconnaissance du patrimoine (Nos origines multiples, notre force)*** be now read a second time.]

Deputy Speaker B. McLeod: — I recognize the Opposition House Leader.

Nicole Sarauer: — Thank you, Mr. Deputy Speaker. It's my honour to rise today and enter in to the debate on Bill No. 41, *The Heritage Recognition (From Many Peoples, Strength) Act*, Mr. Deputy Speaker. My understanding of the legislation is that it seeks to create a new framework for recognizing the days, weeks, and months that celebrate what are really the unique heritages of Saskatchewan's many peoples, Mr. Deputy Speaker.

We've already spoken about other pieces of legislation that are being amended right now to reflect the changing demographics of our province, Mr. Deputy Speaker. This is another piece that of course recognizes the growing diversity that we have in our province, Mr. Deputy Speaker.

We are interested to see how this will end up rolling out. Of course this gives, from what I understand, regulatory powers for the minister to make declarations as to heritage months, days, and weeks. How that vetting process is going to occur, Mr. Deputy Speaker, and how that will roll out will be of interest to us of course. We're very happy that our colleague's Sikh Heritage Month bill has not yet been repealed. It's a very important piece of legislation for a very important group of people within our province, Mr. Deputy Speaker.

I know that the critic is working hard, reaching out to stakeholders to gather further feedback in order to facilitate that work. I'm now prepared to move to adjourn debate on Bill No. 41.

Deputy Speaker B. McLeod: — The member has moved to adjourn debate. Is it the pleasure of the Assembly to adopt the motion?

Some Hon. Members: — Agreed.

Deputy Speaker B. McLeod: — Carried. I recognize the Government House Leader.

Hon. Tim McLeod: — Thank you very much, Mr. Deputy Speaker. I move that the Assembly do now adjourn.

Deputy Speaker B. McLeod: — It has been moved that this Assembly do now adjourn. Is it the pleasure of the Assembly to adopt this motion?

Some Hon. Members: — Agreed.

Deputy Speaker B. McLeod: — Carried. This Assembly now stands adjourned until tomorrow at 1:30 p.m.

[The Assembly adjourned at 15:05.]

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