LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF SASKATCHEWAN March 19, 1990

The Assembly met at 10 a.m.

Prayers

Mr. Romanow: — Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. In accordance with Rule 39 of this Assembly . . .

The Speaker: — Order, order. I wish to advise the Leader of the Opposition that I'm advised that Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor is here to prorogue this session of the legislature. In order to get to Rule 39, we would have to go to Routine Proceedings. Since we are not going to Routine Proceedings this morning, I am unable to recognize the Leader of the Opposition.

PROROGATION

At 10:05 a.m. Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor entered the Chamber and took her seat upon the Throne.

Her Honour was then pleased to deliver the following speech:

Mr. Speaker,

Members of the Legislative Assembly:

It is my duty to discharge you from further attendance at the third session of the 21st legislature. In relieving you of further attendance, I would like to congratulate you on the work that you have successfully completed.

At the opening of this third session, my government emphasized its commitment to continue to protect the province's citizens, to continue to act as an agent of change for the economic development and diversification of the province, and to encourage the citizens of Saskatchewan to share in and participate in building and developing a prosperous province.

You have passed legislation which protects farmers' rights, and which offers farmers further financial options at a time of depressed prices and reduced cash flows. The importance of these measures to the agricultural sector has been reinforced by the continuing devastating effects of drought, high interest rates, and the economic crisis that has been created by international grain wars.

The Potash Corporation of Saskatchewan Reorganization Act will provide individual residents of Saskatchewan with an opportunity to invest capital and share in the potash industry, transferring the assets of the corporation to a share capital corporation. This undertaking will permit residents of the province to participate in the economic growth of a world potash producer through the acquisition of shares and bonds.

You have enacted legislation with the respect to the development of human potential. The new Adoption Act and The Child and Family Services Act will continue to protect and expand the rights of children in the province. The Child Care Act provides a framework for a child care program in the province.

You also passed legislation to protect individual rights and allow for the development of the potential of human abilities. Amendments to the Saskatchewan Human Rights code extend protection to individuals with disabilities, whether they be caused by learning disabilities or mental illness; and the Dependent Adults Act clarifies the guardianships of dependent adults where there is a demonstrated need for protection of them.

Continuing concern for maintaining our clean environment led to the legislation implementing an environment surcharge on the use of leaded gasoline. Amendments to The Clean Air Act expanded penalties and increased fines for causing environmental damage to the province.

In taking leave of you, I commend you for the conscientious manner in which you approach your duties, and I wish you the full blessings of providence.

Hon. Mr. Berntson: — Mr. Speaker and members of the Legislative Assembly, it is the will and pleasure of Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor that this Legislative Assembly be prorogued until later today, the 19th day of March, 1990, at 2 o'clock p.m., and this Legislative Assembly is accordingly prorogued.

Her Honour then retired from the Chamber at 10:10 a.m.

CORRIDENDUM

On page 1724 of *Hansard* No. 53A Thursday, June 8, 1989, halfway down the left-hand column, the words "unsafe projects" appear in a quote, and three lines later in text. The words should read "unsafe products."

We apologize for this error.

[NOTE: The online version has been corrected.]