

**Yukon Legislative Assembly
Whitehorse, Yukon
Thursday, December 1, 2011 — 3:00 p.m.**

**THE FIRST SESSION OF THE 33rd LEGISLATIVE
ASSEMBLY OF YUKON, CONVENED IN THE ASSEMBLY
CHAMBER AT 3:00 P.M. ON THURSDAY, DE-
CEMBER 1, 2011**

Proclamation

Clerk: “To all Members of the Legislative Assembly of Yukon, and to all others whom this may concern

Greetings

A Proclamation

“Know ye that under and by virtue of the power and authority vested in the Commissioner of Yukon under the *Yukon Act* (Canada), the Legislative Assembly of Yukon is summoned to meet for dispatch of business in the Legislative Assembly Chamber, Yukon Government Administration Building, Whitehorse, Yukon on Thursday, the 1st day of December, A.D., 2011, at the hour of three o’clock in the afternoon, all of which all persons concerned are required to take notice and to govern themselves accordingly.

“Given under my hand and seal of Yukon, at Whitehorse, Yukon this 16th day of November, A.D. 2011.

“Doug Phillips,
“Commissioner of Yukon”

REPORT ON MEMBERS ELECTED

Clerk: Honourable members, the following letter, dated October 17, 2011, was sent by the Chief Electoral Officer to the Commissioner of Yukon, the Hon. Doug Phillips:

“Dear Mr. Phillips:

“As required by section 308 of the *Elections Act*, I am pleased to advise you that the returns to the writs for the general election of Members to the Yukon Legislative Assembly, held October 11th, 2011, have been received. The returning officers state in their returns that the following candidates have been elected:

“Copperbelt North, Currie Dixon;
“Copperbelt South, Lois Moorcroft;
“Klondike, Sandy Silver;
“Kluane, Wade Istchenko;
“Lake Laberge, Brad Cathers;
“Mayo-Tatchun, Jim Tredger;
“Mount Lorne-Southern Lakes, Kevin Barr;
“Mountainview, Darrell Pasloski;
“Pelly-Nisutlin, Stacey Hassard;
“Porter Creek Centre, David Laxton;
“Porter Creek North, Doug Graham;
“Porter Creek South, Mike Nixon;
“Riverdale North, Scott Kent;
“Riverdale South, Jan Stick;

“Takhini-Kopper King, Kate White;
“Vuntut Gwitchin, Darius Elias;
“Watson Lake, Patti McLeod;
“Whitehorse Centre, Liz Hanson;
“Whitehorse West, Elaine Taylor.
“Sincerely,
“Jo-Ann Waugh
“Chief Electoral Officer”

Commissioner Phillips enters the Chamber announced by his Aides-de-Camp

Clerk: I am commanded by the Commissioner, in his capacity as Lieutenant Governor, to state that he does not see fit to declare the causes of the summoning of the present Assembly of this territory until the Speaker of this Assembly shall have been chosen according to law, but today at a subsequent hour he will declare the causes of the calling of this Assembly.

Commissioner Phillips withdraws from the Assembly accompanied by his Aides-de-Camp

Motion No. 1 — Election of Speaker

Clerk: Hon. members, nominations are invited for the Office of Speaker of this Assembly.

Hon. Mr. Pasloski: I move, seconded by the Leader of the Official Opposition and the Leader of the Third Party THAT David Laxton, Member for Porter Creek Centre, do take the Chair of this Assembly as Speaker.

Clerk: It has been moved by the Premier, seconded by the Leader of the Official Opposition and the Leader of the Third Party

THAT David Laxton, Member for Porter Creek Centre, do take the Chair of this Assembly as Speaker.

Some Hon. Members: Agreed.

Clerk: The ayes have it, and David Laxton, Member for Porter Creek Centre, is, by direction of this Assembly, duly elected as Speaker of the Yukon Legislative Assembly.

Motion No. 1 agreed to

SPEAKER’S ADDRESS TO THE ASSEMBLY

Speaker: Please be seated.

Commissioner Phillips, Premier Pasloski, Members of the Legislature, colleagues and visitors, I am truly humbled by the faith you have placed in me today. It has been a long road to this place — something I couldn’t have done without the help of my partner Leslie, my family, my friends and those many people who have also placed their highest trust in me: my constituents and the members here. I’m a veteran, and as such, I know how important it is to have and maintain this trust. Today you have made me Speaker of the Yukon Legislative Assembly. It’s truly humbling. When William Lenthall became Speaker of the British House of Commons in 1640, he politely reminded the king of three fundamental things needed by Parliament: access to the sovereign, privilege from arrest and freedom of speech. In return, he promised, on behalf of Parliament, fidelity and fiscal responsibility. Two years later, when the king entered the House looking for five disruptive members

and demanding their whereabouts, Lenthall, with good sense, told him that the Speaker has neither eyes to see, nor tongue to speak, but only as members direct. Through these two events, Lenthall reinforced the Speaker as Parliament's spokesperson for conveying its resolutions to the Sovereign and, equally important, the Speaker as a neutral servant of the House.

This remains true some 370 years later. There is historic folklore that some Speakers in centuries past have taken on this role at their personal peril. That's why we don't go to the Speaker's chair willingly, in case the king's executioner is waiting in the wings.

But when we do accept, we do so with a humility for those gone before and with a single determination: to leave this Chamber a better place. The position of Speaker is the third highest in our parliamentary democracy. First is the Queen's representative, in our case the Commissioner; next is the Premier, and then comes the Speaker. This hierarchy shows how central the Yukon Legislative Assembly is in the everyday governance of our fellow citizens, and it underscores the importance of having a Speaker who must ensure that the business of the Legislature is conducted in a fair, disciplined and respectful manner.

To that end, it's my duty to be impartial, to treat all members equally and without favour. It is also necessary for a Speaker to be independent from the executive side of government, to issue rulings and orders with the neutrality required of this office. That's the heritage and the task, and that is why I have to be a worthy successor to the Speakers who have discharged their responsibility with dignity, wisdom and patience. You see, nothing else is acceptable. Such is the weight of maintaining both the confidence and respect of the Legislature.

In return for this, I ask that you conduct yourselves in debate, not only with vigour befitting your basic political values, beliefs and vision, but also with the decorum befitting the special office you have been given by our fellow citizens. How you treat each other will in large measure determine the worth that Yukoners convey upon you.

This is a chamber of debate, the highest in our territory. Young and old will look to you for leadership, inspiration, and most importantly, assurance — assurance that your first care is to the well-being of our citizens. While putting much effort into crafting clever questions designed to embarrass, and evading answers to that same end, may seem like the smart thing to do, putting effort into eliciting reasonable and useful information on both sides is perhaps the courageous thing to do. In asking this of you, I will certainly do my part in the thoughtful application of the rules governing matters of procedure in this Assembly.

Finally, there is a public trust that we have all undertaken ourselves, and personal awareness of this trust is something we must never forget. Even in the heavy mix of debate and interest, we are its guardians. We are its servants.

You have just given me the greatest honour in my professional life, next to being a member of this Legislature. In return, I pledge concentration, focus and clarity in my new role, and it reflects my belief and basic honesty and decency of my

fellow colleagues. I will do my utmost to serve both faithfully and effectively in the discharge of that trust. Thank you.

Mr. Clerk, will you please advise the Commissioner, in his capacity as Lieutenant Governor, that the Assembly is now prepared to hear the Speech from the Throne.

Clerk withdraws to ask Commissioner to return

Speaker: We are now prepared to hear the Speech from the Throne.

Commissioner Phillips enters the Chamber accompanied by his Aides-de-Camp

SPEAKER'S ADDRESS TO THE COMMISSIONER

Speaker: Mr. Commissioner, the Members of the Legislative Assembly have elected me to be their Speaker and I recognize the important duties now given to me. If, in the performance of those duties, I should at any time make a mistake, the fault is mine and not that of the Assembly, whose servant I am. At this time, so that all Members of the Assembly can best carry out their duty to Yukon, to their country and to the Queen, I would claim for them their undoubted rights and privileges, especially freedom of speech in their debates, access to your person when necessary and your favourable consideration of their proceedings.

RESPONSE BY THE COMMISSIONER

Commissioner: Mr. Speaker, I am pleased to declare to you that I believe in the duty of the Assembly and, not doubting the Assembly's proceedings will be conducted with wisdom, temper and care, I grant and allow the Assembly's constitutional privileges. I assure you that the Assembly shall have ready access to me and that the Assembly's proceedings, words and actions will receive from me favourable consideration.

Please be seated.

SPEECH FROM THE THRONE

Commissioner: Mr. Speaker, Members of the Yukon Legislative Assembly, Yukoners, visitors and honoured guests, I welcome you in our Sovereign's name to the First Session of the 33rd Legislative Assembly.

It is worthy to note that my government is the only government since the inception of party politics in 1978 to achieve a third mandate. This indeed is historic and clearly demonstrates that the people of the Yukon continue to want political stability, continuity and prosperity.

Prior to 2002, Yukon had experienced seven years of economic recession. Yukon's population had been in decline for six consecutive years, following the closure of the Faro mine in 1997.

Yukon's unemployment rate had been in the double-digit range for years. Yukon's mining industry was nearly defunct, with exploration and development spending in the territory being less than \$10 million. Almost 3,000 Yukoners — our young people, our prime labour force — left the Yukon to find work Outside.

Rebuilding Yukon's private sector economy was job one for the two previous Yukon governments elected in 2002 and re-elected in 2006. They put Yukon on the pathway to prosperity and my government, re-elected in 2011, wants to continue that journey.

My government's vision, "Moving Forward Together", continues to build upon the four pillars of the two previous Yukon governments: better quality of life, the environment, the economy and good governance. These pillars are the solid foundations upon which my government will continue to build the future. A growing, prosperous economy creates challenges. My government welcomes these challenges.

In relation to the quality of life, both housing and land availability have been identified as pressing challenges. With a strong economy and a housing demand exceeding supply, my government is committed to making a range of housing options available to Yukoners. For those most in need, my government is working with the Salvation Army to significantly increase the capacity of the shelter, which could mean a new shelter at a new location or a significant renovation to the existing shelter.

As part of its housing strategy, my government is proposing to implement a number of projects throughout the Yukon, including the following: a youth shelter in Whitehorse; the construction of a new seniors complex in Mayo; the replacement of McDonald Lodge in Dawson City with a new facility to be attached to the new Dawson Hospital; second-stage housing for Kaushee's Place in Whitehorse, the expansion from six to 24 units of the Options for Independent Living complex for adults with FASD; replacing double-wide trailers in Carmacks and Ross River with four stick-built units in each community; and other housing projects, including making land available to Yukon College to construct a new student residence.

My government will be working with the private sector to increase the supply of affordable rental units, which has been identified as another pressing need. It is proposed that the four-hectare parcel of land located between Range Road and Mountainview Drive in the Takhini area be sold to a private developer or developers on special terms and conditions with the caveat that the property will be used for the construction of affordable rental units.

My government also recently signed an agreement with the Kwanlin Dun First Nation to explore development opportunities in relation to residential land and housing for the general public, while providing economic development benefits to the Kwanlin Dun.

Yukon First Nations are key partners in our thriving economy. My government is also working in collaboration with the Teslin Tlingit Council to make land available and will be working with other interested First Nations to meet the territory's land availability and housing needs.

Yukon's growing prosperous economy has resulted in a substantial increase in population, which in turn is putting increased pressure on the territory's health and social services safety net. This is another challenge my government must meet. My government has proposed a variety of initiatives to meet these challenges, including putting more resources into addictions recovery, including the following: replacing the ag-

ing Sarah Steele Building with a larger, more modern facility that will provide space and resources to support an after-care program for people coming out of the 28-day program, as well as support for land-based treatment programs with Yukon First Nations; providing more resources toward youth alcohol and drug programming; adding more incentives to attract medical professionals, including family doctors; investing in health care infrastructure, such as the new MRI facility and the new emergency department at the Whitehorse General Hospital; providing support for families caring for seniors and children with disabilities through a new caregiver tax credit and other measures; and enhancing the home care program and helping seniors staying in their homes longer.

My government is committed to implementing its vision for supporting child care and early learning, including the following: expanding the "Learning Together" initiative that assists parents and children with transitions to kindergarten in schools throughout the territory; providing additional support for children with disabilities and developmental challenges, including adjusting the direct operating grant to address the additional costs of helping children with special needs; strengthening the licensed child care system by helping to address the training and retention needs; and creating a new parenting and early development resource centre.

Yukon's growing and prosperous economy has created an increased demand for more educational facilities and training programs. My government is committed to meeting this challenge by educating and training Yukoners for Yukon opportunities. The aging F.H. Collins school will be replaced by a new modern school and my government is committed to transforming Yukon College into a northern university in the longer term. Immediate priorities include providing land at Yukon College for the proposed centre for northern innovation in mining and increased opportunities to Yukon entrepreneurs by expanding programming delivered through the technology innovation fund and the cold climate innovation fund.

My government is committed to protecting, preserving and celebrating Yukon's pristine environment, sensitive ecosystems and wilderness landscapes. It will continue to take innovative steps to address climate change through the implementation of its *Climate Change Action Plan* and manage Yukon's air, land, water and wildlife resources for the benefit of present and future Yukon generations.

The new initiative will see the development of a Yukon water strategy to improve access to safe drinking water, and increase data collection and information sharing on water resources.

My government is committed to meeting its obligation to establish special management areas and habitat protection areas under the land claim settlements as well as a plan to manage a system of natural wilderness preserves, natural environmental parks and ecological reserves throughout the territory.

Implementation of a solid-waste action plan will ensure the creation of a state-of-the-art solid-waste management system that will adapt to the changing needs of future generations of Yukon communities.

Yukon today enjoys one of the best economies in Canada. My government is committed to the continued expansion and growth of the Yukon economy by promoting the Yukon Territory's economic mainstays, such as mining, both hardrock and placer, tourism, and oil and gas; promoting economic diversification in other sectors, such as arts and culture, film and sound, forestry, agriculture, wilderness tourism, outfitting, trapping, research and development, knowledge-based industries, and value-added manufacturing; maintaining Yukon's extremely favourable general tax environment that promotes investment in the territory; and providing access to land, regulatory certainty, business incentive and marketing programs, and the provision of necessary transportation, communication and energy infrastructure.

A growing and prosperous economy needs affordable access to energy if it's going to grow. This is one of Yukon's major challenges. Yukon energy needs are real and immediate and my government is committed to investing in short-, medium- and long-term solutions to ensure energy in Yukon remains clean and affordable. To this end, my government will ensure the completion of the Mayo B hydro project, the development of an independent power producer policy and net metering to provide power to Yukoners in the short term. My government is committed to the development of a natural gas industry, as well as geothermal, wind, solar, biomass and hydroelectric projects to meet medium- and long-term needs.

For longer-term energy needs, my government is committed to planning the construction of large-scale hydroelectric projects in one or more of the numerous areas of Yukon already identified as suitable for a hydro project. As part of its long-term vision, my government will also plan for the extension of Yukon's power grid to Alaska and British Columbia.

Good governance is another important pillar of laying a solid foundation for Yukon's future. Yukon is coming of age through effective leadership, political stability, cooperative governments and strong fiscal management. My government will continue to implement cooperative governance and partnerships with Yukon First Nations, utilizing the Yukon Forum and the intergovernmental forum with Canada, as well as promote mutual respect of each other's jurisdiction.

It will work cooperatively with Yukon communities to address the issues raised in the "Our Towns, Our Future" report. It will utilize a pan-northern collaborative approach with the Northwest Territories and Nunavut to advance northern interests with the provinces and the Government of Canada and in the international community.

It will work cooperatively with neighbouring jurisdictions, such as the State of Alaska, British Columbia and Alberta, as well as members of the Pacific North West Economic Region, to promote strategic alliances and regional economic development initiatives in which there are shared interests.

Canada north of 60 is coming of age. It is gratifying to see the Government of Canada increasingly appears to recognize that Canada's northern frontier holds Canada's promise for the future and that the three northern territories will play a very important role in Confederation.

My government remains committed to completing and implementing land claims and will continue to urge the Government of Canada, the White River First Nation, the Liard First Nation and the Ross River Dena Council to complete the unfinished business of settling claims in the Yukon. It will work individually with settled Yukon First Nations to implement their settlements on a government-to-government basis and fully honour the commitments set out in the treaties.

My government will continue to advance Yukon's constitutional position in relation to federal recognition of the Crown in right of Yukon, the resolution of outstanding offshore northern boundary issues, and initiatives that support Arctic sovereignty.

My government remains committed to practising open, accountable, fiscally responsible government and to work constructively with all members of this House to improve the operation of its committees and the proceedings of the Legislature.

Of equal importance, my government will work with Yukon's professional public service to implement the commitments outlined in my government's vision for the future, "Moving Forward Together", to turn this vision into reality and help all Yukon citizens reach their potential and realize their dream of a better tomorrow.

During this sitting, honourable members will be asked to consider Bill No. 2, *Fourth Appropriation Act, 2010-11*, and Bill No. 3, *Second Appropriation Act, 2011-12*.

May divine providence attend your deliberations. I thank you in our Sovereign's name.

God bless Yukon, God bless Canada and God save the Queen.

Commissioner Phillips leaves the Chamber accompanied by his Aides-de-Camp

Speaker: At this time, I will call the House to order. We'll proceed at this time with prayers.

Prayers

Speaker: Oh Great Spirit, Creator and Leader of all people, we are thankful to be gathered here today. Great Spirit, I ask that you touch and bless each and every one in this House. Grant that we, the elected members, will make only strong, fair and sound decisions on behalf of the people we represent throughout Yukon.

Amen.

Moment of silence for recently deceased former members

Speaker: I would like to ask all those present to please remain standing as we observe a moment of silence for Gordon McIntyre, Steve Cardiff and John Edzerza, former members of this House who have passed on since this Assembly last sat.

Moment of silence observed

Speaker: Thank you. Please be seated.

INTRODUCTION OF ACTING DEPUTY CLERK

Speaker: Members, I am pleased to welcome to our Assembly Ms. Susan Sourial. Ms. Sourial is a committee clerk and a clerk of Committee of the Whole at the Legislative Assembly of British Columbia. She will be providing assistance at our table during the 2011 fall sitting. Members, please join me in welcoming Ms. Sourial to the House.

Applause

INTRODUCTION OF PAGES

Speaker: I am also pleased to announce that eight students will be serving as legislative pages for this sitting. We have them with us today and I would ask those that are here to please rise as I give their names. They are Ryan Burke, Adrienne Hynes and Teagyn Vallevand from F.H. Collins Secondary School; Zane Hansell, Deanna Klubi and Brittney Telep from Porter Creek Secondary School; and Liam Finnegan and Sruthee Govindaraj from Vanier Catholic Secondary School. At this time, Liam Finnegan and Sruthee Govindaraj will be joining us on the floor of the House to assist in today's proceedings. I would ask all members to join me in a warm welcome to our pages.

Applause

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

Bill No. 1: Introduction and First Reading

Ms. McLeod: Mr. Speaker, I move that Bill No. 1, entitled *Act to Perpetuate a Certain Ancient Right*, be now introduced and read a first time.

Speaker: It has been moved by the Member for Watson Lake that Bill No. 1, entitled *Act to Perpetuate a Certain Ancient Right*, be now introduced and read a first time.

Motion for introduction and first reading of Bill No. 1 agreed to

TABLING SPEECH FROM THE THRONE

Speaker: I wish to inform the Assembly that I have received a copy of the Speech from the Throne, which I will now table.

CONSIDERATION OF SPEECH FROM THE THRONE

Hon. Mr. Pasloski: Mr. Speaker, I move that the Speech from the Throne be considered on a day following.

Speaker: It has been moved by the Hon. Premier that the Speech from the Throne be considered on a day following.

Motion agreed to

Hon. Mr. Cathers: Mr. Speaker, I wish to inform the House, pursuant to the provisions of Standing Order 26(2), that consideration of a motion for an Address in Reply to the Speech from the Throne will take place on Monday, December 5, 2011.

Motion No. 2 — Election of Deputy Speaker

Speaker: I will now ask if the House is prepared to elect a Deputy Speaker.

Hon. Mr. Cathers: Mr. Speaker, I move

THAT Patti McLeod, the Member for Watson Lake, be appointed Deputy Speaker and Chair of Committee of the Whole.

Speaker: It has been moved by the Hon. Government House Leader

THAT Patti McLeod, the Member for Watson Lake, be appointed Deputy Speaker and Chair of Committee of the Whole.

Motion No. 2 agreed to

Motion No. 3 — Election of Deputy Chair

Speaker: I will now ask if the House is prepared to elect a Deputy Chair of Committee of the Whole.

Hon. Mr. Cathers: Mr. Speaker, I move THAT Stacey Hassard, the Member for Pelly-Nisutlin, be appointed Deputy Chair of Committee of the Whole.

Speaker: It has been moved by the Hon. Government House Leader

THAT Stacey Hassard, the Member for Pelly-Nisutlin, be appointed Deputy Chair of Committee of the Whole.

Motion agreed to

Bill No. 2: Introduction and First Reading

Hon. Mr. Pasloski: Mr. Speaker, I move that Bill No. 2, entitled *Fourth Appropriation Act, 2010-11*, be now introduced and read a first time.

Speaker: It has been moved by the Hon. Premier that Bill No. 2, entitled *Fourth Appropriation Act, 2010-11*, be now introduced and read a first time.

Motion for introduction and first reading of Bill No. 2 agreed to

Speaker: Are there any further bills for introduction?

Bill No. 3: Introduction and First Reading

Hon. Mr. Pasloski: I move that Bill No. 3, entitled *Second Appropriation Act, 2011-12*, be now introduced and read a first time.

Speaker: It has been moved by the Honourable Premier that Bill No. 3, entitled *Second Appropriation Act, 2011-12*, be now introduced and read a first time.

Motion for introduction and first reading of Bill No. 3 agreed to

Speaker: Are there any further bills for introduction?

INTRODUCTION OF VISITORS

Hon. Mr. Pasloski: I would like the House to join me in welcoming some visitors in the gallery today. I'd like to first start with my wife Tammie and one of our daughters, Erin Pasloski. Erin has just returned from Australia.

As we are all aware, none of us could be here representing our constituencies and the people of the Yukon without the support of our family, so I would like to acknowledge them. I would also like to take this moment to acknowledge a couple of other people, Mr. Ted Staffen, who has represented this Legislative Assembly as a member of the Legislative Assembly and also is the past Speaker to this House.

I would also like to recognize Mr. Michael Lauer and Mr. Samson Hartland as well, as friends. Thank you.

NOTICES OF MOTION

Hon. Mr. Cathers: Mr. Speaker, I rise to give notice of the following motion:

THAT the honourable members Stacey Hassard, Hon. Brad Cathers, Hon. Currie Dixon, Patti McLeod, Jan Stick, Kate White and Darius Elias be appointed to the Standing Committee on Appointments to Major Government Boards and Committees established pursuant to Standing Order 45; and

THAT the Committee elects its chair from the government caucus members appointed to it.

I also give notice of the following motion:

THAT the Hon. Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order 45(2), be appointed Chair of the Members' Services Board.

THAT Hon. Currie Dixon, Hon. Brad Cathers, Liz Hanson and Sandy Silver be appointed to the Members' Services Board;

THAT the board have the power to call for persons, papers and records and to sit during intersessional periods;

THAT the board consider:

(1) budget submissions for the following votes:

(a) Vote 1 — Yukon Legislative Assembly, including the Conflict of Interest Commission;

(b) Vote 23 — Office of the Ombudsman, including the Information and Privacy Commissioner;

(c) Vote 24 — Elections Office; and

(d) Vote 26 — Child and Youth Advocate Office;

(2) policy questions concerning matters such as:

(a) space allocation;

(b) staffing;

(c) caucus funding;

(d) Media Gallery House rules; and

(e) *Hansard*;

THAT the board fulfill its statutory responsibilities, including those in the *Legislative Assembly Act*, the *Legislative Assembly Retirement Allowances Act, 2007*, the *Elections Act*, *Conflict of Interest (Members and Ministers) Act*, the *Ombudsman Act*, the *Cabinet and Caucus Employees, Child and Youth Advocate Act*; and

THAT the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly be responsible for providing the necessary support services to the committee.

I give notice of the following motion:

THAT the honourable members Patti McLeod, Hon. Scott Kent, Hon. Brad Cathers, Jim Tredger, Lois Moorcroft and Sandy Silver be appointed to the Standing Committee on Rules, Elections and Privileges, established pursuant to Standing Order 45(1);

THAT the committee elect its chair from the government caucus members appointed to it;

THAT the chair of the committee be required to participate in all votes before the committee;

THAT the said committee review, as necessary, such Standing Orders as it may decide upon;

THAT the said committee, following the conduct of any such review, report any recommendations for amendment to the Assembly;

THAT the said committee have the power to call for persons, papers and records and to sit during intersessional periods; and

THAT the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly be responsible for providing the necessary support services to the committee.

I give notice of the following motion:

THAT the honourable members Patti McLeod, Hon. Scott Kent, Hon. Mike Nixon, Stacey Hassard, Liz Hanson, Jan Stick and Darius Elias be appointed to the Standing Committee on Public Accounts, established pursuant to Standing Order 45(3);

THAT the said committee have the power to call for persons, papers and records and to sit during intersessional periods; and

THAT the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly be responsible for providing the necessary support services to the committee.

I give notice of the following motion:

THAT the honourable members Patti McLeod, Stacey Hassard, Hon. Wade Istchenko, Hon. Elaine Taylor, Lois Moorcroft, Kevin Barr and Darius Elias be appointed to the Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, established pursuant to Standing Order 45(1);

THAT the said committee have the power to call for persons, papers and records and to sit during intersessional periods;

THAT the said committee review such regulations made following the date of its appointment as it may decide upon;

THAT the said committee review such other existing or proposed regulations as are referred to it by the Legislative Assembly; and

THAT the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly be responsible for providing the necessary support services to the committee.

Unanimous consent re length of 2011 fall sitting

Hon. Mr. Cathers: Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order 14.3, I request the unanimous consent of the House regarding an agreement among the House leaders regarding the length of the 2011 fall sitting of the House. The request is as follows:

(1) that the 2011 fall sitting shall last nine sitting days;

(2) that the final sitting day will be Thursday, December 15, 2011; and

(3) that the provisions of Standing Order 76 shall apply on December 15, 2011 in the same fashion as if the day had been established as the final sitting day of the 2011 fall sitting, pursuant to Standing Order 75.

Speaker: The Hon. Government House Leader has requested the unanimous consent of the House to deem:

(1) that the 2011 fall sitting shall last nine sitting days;

(2) that the final sitting day will be Thursday, December 15, 2011; and

(3) that the provisions of Standing Order 76 shall apply on December 15, 2011 in the same fashion as if the day had been established as the final sitting day of the 2011 fall sitting, pursuant to Standing Order 75. Is there unanimous consent?

All Hon. Members: Agreed.

Speaker: There is unanimous consent.

Hon. Mr. Cathers: Mr. Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn.

Speaker: It has been moved by the Hon. Government House Leader that the House do now adjourn.

Motion agreed to

Speaker: I declare the motion carried. This House now stands adjourned until 1:00 p.m. Monday.

The House adjourned at 3:48 p.m.

The following Sessional Paper was tabled December 1, 2011:

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Speech from the Throne (Speaker Laxton)