

## **Yukon Legislative Assembly**

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### **HANSARD**

Thursday, January 12, 2017 — 3:00 p.m.

Speaker: The Honourable Nils Clarke

# YUKON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY 2017 Special Sitting

SPEAKER — Hon. Nils Clarke, MLA, Riverdale North
DEPUTY SPEAKER and CHAIR OF COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE — Don Hutton, MLA, Mayo-Tatchun
DEPUTY CHAIR OF COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE — Ted Adel, MLA, Copperbelt North

### **CABINET MINISTERS**

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NAME	CONSTITUENCY	PORTFOLIO
Hon. Sandy Silver	Klondike	Premier Minister of the Executive Council Office; Finance
Hon. Ranj Paillai	Porter Creek South	Deputy Premier Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources; Economic Development; Minister responsible for the Yukon Development Corporation and the Yukon Energy Corporation
Hon. Tracy-Anne McPhee	Riverdale South	Government House Leader Minister of Education; Justice
Hon. John Streicker	Mount Lorne-Southern Lakes	Minister of Community Services; Minister responsible for the French Language Services Directorate; Yukon Liquor Corporation and the Yukon Lottery Commission
Hon. Pauline Frost	Vuntut Gwitchin	Minister of Health and Social Services; Environment;

Hon. Richard Mostyn Whitehorse West Minister of Highways and Public Works;

CONCERTENCY

the Public Service Commission

**Hon. Jeanie Dendys** Mountainview Minister of Tourism and Culture; Minister responsible for the

Workers' Compensation Health and Safety Board;

Minister responsible for the Yukon Housing Corporation

Copperbelt South

Women's Directorate

### GOVERNMENT PRIVATE MEMBERS

### **Liberal Party**

Ted AdelCopperbelt NorthPaolo GallinaPorter Creek CentreDon HuttonMayo-Tatchun

#### OFFICIAL OPPOSITION

### **Yukon Party**

Stacey Hassard Leader of the Official Opposition Scott Kent Official Opposition House Leader

Pelly-Nisutlin

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Brad Cathers Lake Laberge Patti McLeod Watson Lake

Wade Istchenko Kluane Geraldine Van Bibber Porter Creek North

### THIRD PARTY

### **New Democratic Party**

**Liz Hanson** Leader of the Third Party

Whitehorse Centre

**Kate White** Third Party House Leader

Takhini-Kopper King

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THE FIRST SESSION OF THE 34<sup>th</sup> LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF YUKON, CONVENED IN THE ASSEMBLY CHAMBER AT 3:00 P.M. ON THURSDAY, JANUARY 12, 2017

### **Proclamation**

**Clerk:** "To the 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 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, January 12, 2017, 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, December 28, 2016.

"Doug Phillips,

"Commissioner of Yukon"

#### REPORT ON MEMBERS ELECTED

**Clerk:** Honourable members, the following letter, dated November 18, 2016, was sent by the Chief Electoral Officer of Yukon to the Commissioner of Yukon, the Hon. Doug Phillips:

"Dear Sir:

"As required by section 308 of the *Elections Act*, I am pleased to advise you that candidates have been declared elected in all 19 electoral districts for the November 7, 2016 general election of members to the Yukon Legislative Assembly.

"The return to the writ for the electoral district of Mountainview was completed on November 18, 2016 following a judicial recount. Candidates were declared elected in all other electoral districts on November 14, 2016, the date fixed for the return to the writ.

"The returning officers state in their returns that the following candidates have been declared elected:

"Copperbelt North, Ted Adel;

"Copperbelt South, Scott Kent;

"Klondike, Sandy Silver;

"Kluane, Wade Istchenko;

"Lake Laberge, Brad Cathers;

"Mayo-Tatchun, Don Hutton;

"Mount Lorne-Southern Lakes, John Streicker;

- "Mountainview, Jeanie Dendys;
- "Pelly-Nisutlin, Stacey Hassard;
- "Porter Creek Centre, Paolo Gallina;
- "Porter Creek North, Geraldine Van Bibber;
- "Porter Creek South, Ranj Pillai;
- "Riverdale North, Nils Clarke;
- "Riverdale South, Tracy McPhee;
- "Takhini-Kopper King, Kate White;
- "Vuntut Gwitchin, Pauline Frost;
- "Watson Lake, Patti McLeod;
- "Whitehorse Centre, Liz Hanson;
- "Whitehorse West, Richard Mostyn.
- "Sincerely,
- "Lori McKee
- "Chief Electoral Officer"

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

### Motion No. 1 — Election of Speaker

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

**Hon. Mr. Silver:** I move, seconded by the Leader of the Official Opposition and the Third Party House Leader:

THAT Nils Clarke, Member for Riverdale North, do take the Chair of this Assembly as Speaker.

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

THAT Nils Clarke, Member for Riverdale North, do take the Chair of this Assembly as Speaker.

Some Hon. Members: Agreed.

**Clerk:** The ayes have it, and Nils Clarke, Member for Riverdale North, 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:** Commissioner Phillips, Premier Silver, Members of the Legislature, colleagues and visitors, I would like to express my thanks to the Assembly for the great honour it has given me by electing me to be its 25<sup>th</sup> Speaker.

In preparing this brief address to the Assembly, I have had the benefit of meeting with two-term Speaker of this Assembly, Mr. Ted Staffen, as well as having reviewed and adopted some of both Speaker Staffen's and Speaker David Laxton's previous observations and comments, for which I thank them both.

The Clerk and Deputy Clerk of the Legislative Assembly have graciously provided me with some compelling Speaker-related historical background information as well, which I will provide you with right now. When William Lenthall became Speaker of the British House of Commons in 1640, he politely advised the monarch of three fundamental requirements of the Parliament: access to the Sovereign, privilege from arrest and freedom of speech. In return, the Speaker promised on behalf of the Parliament fidelity and fiscal responsibility.

Two years later, when the King entered the House demanding the identity of five disruptive members and asking their whereabouts, Lenthall, with good sense, told them the Speaker had neither eyes to see nor tongue to speak, but only as members direct. This reinforced the Speaker as Parliament's spokesperson for conveying its resolution to the Sovereign and, equally importantly, confirming the Speaker as a neutral servant of the House. This remains true these many centuries later, as you have witnessed in our federal House of Commons.

There is an ancient tradition that the Speaker nominee has taken on this role with a certain degree of reluctance, albeit now somewhat feigned reluctance, as they were actually historically assuming some personal physical peril should they fall into disfavour with the ruling monarch of the day.

This is where I had a few examples of what befell prior Speakers, so just bear with me briefly. Sir John Bussy I'm sure was a fine Speaker between 1394 and 1398 in the constituency of Lincolnshire. He was a supporter of Richard II; however, unfortunately, he was executed by Henry IV for treason. Death was deemed to be more political than procedural.

The second example we have is one William Catesby in the constituency of Northamptonshire just yesterday in 1484. He was beheaded on August 25, 1485. He fought at the Battle of Bosworth Field beside King Richard III. He was captured and executed by the King's enemies.

The final example — which is, of course, the most famous example most of us will be familiar with — is Sir Thomas More who was also Speaker of the House from the constituency of Middlesex in 1523. He was beheaded in 1535. As you know the story, he lost favour with his best friend at one time, King Henry VIII, apparently not for anything he did as Speaker, but as we know, with respect with how he dealt with Mr. More and how he dealt with a few of his spouses, he did not dawdle where the execution of enemies was concerned.

Those are some examples of why Speakers might have been reluctant in the past to assume this position. Although today's Canadian federal, provincial and territorial Speakers are unlikely to suffer such unfortunate and sometimes rather dramatic and untimely demises, it nevertheless confirms the importance of the Speaker's role in ensuring the business of the Legislature is conducted in an independent, fair and respectful manner. To that end, it is the Speaker's duty to be impartial and to treat all members equally and without favour.

This high standard must be met in order to maintain the confidence and respect of the Legislature, and I commit today to make my best efforts to do so.

To the honourable members, I ask that you conduct yourselves in debate not only with vigour, creativity, industriousness and passion — which is expected of you — but also with the decorum befitting the special public office that you have been elected to by your fellow citizens. Ultimately, how you treat one another will, in large measure, determine the worth that Yukoners convey upon you and on this Legislative Assembly.

To conclude, I would like to thank my dedicated team of volunteers and of course my constituents in the electoral district of Riverdale North. I am humbled by your support and look forward to serving you to the best of my ability.

Finally, I would of course be remiss in not expressing my gratitude to my wife Janet, as well as our sons Max and Angus, who have been a constant and immeasurable source of support for me. Thank you very much.

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 announced 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:** Thank you, Mr. Speaker, I am pleased to declare to you that I believe in the duty of the Assembly and, not doubting that 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, honoured guests and visitors, it is my pleasure to welcome you to the First Session of the 34<sup>th</sup> Legislature.

I first want to acknowledge that the opening of this new Legislature is occurring on the traditional territories of the Kwanlin Dün First Nation and the Ta'an Kwäch'än Council. I also want to recognize that Yukoners this year will be joining others across this great country in celebrating Canada's 150<sup>th</sup> birthday. As well, in the Yukon, we will also be commemorating the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the building of our Alaska Highway.

On behalf of all Yukon citizens, I want to thank the members of this Assembly for your commitment to serve the public. I want to give a special welcome to the members on both sides of the House elected for the very first time. I know the feeling that must be here today with your family members in the audience and others who you have told that you are now an official member of the Yukon Legislative Assembly, representing your constituents.

Our system of government depends on the willingness of people to put their names forward and put their time and effort into working on behalf of the Yukon people. This is the 10<sup>th</sup> Legislature since the Yukon achieved responsible government in 1979. It is time to reflect on what we have achieved in the Yukon in the past 35 years. The responsibilities of this Legislature have grown in this period. With the devolution of jurisdiction for natural resources more than 10 years ago, these responsibilities now are largely the same as those of a province.

Most Yukon First Nations are self-governing, having reached their First Nation final and self-government agreements over the course of the last three decades. Yukon First Nations play a key role in our economic, social and cultural life in the Yukon and our community recognizes the importance of advancing reconciliation.

Our system of government has matured and our ability as a jurisdiction to speak on the national stage about issues important to the people here has grown. All parties represented in this Legislative Assembly have contributed to the progress the Yukon has made since 1979. I want to acknowledge the efforts of the many involved in that over the years.

Over the next two months, my government will be carrying out a review of spending priorities. This review will provide the basis for an appropriation bill for the coming fiscal year, which the government will present to the House in March, along with the supplementary estimates for the current year. At that time, my government will also present a Speech from the Throne that will set out in more detail the government's priorities and its legislative proposals.

The agenda for this Session is to put the machinery of the Legislative Assembly in place. You have elected a Speaker to preside over discussions in this House. You will be asked to elect the other two House Officers — the Deputy Speaker and the Deputy Chair of Committee of the Whole. As well, you

will be asked to appoint members to the Assembly's standing committees. These decisions will allow the work of the legislative committees to get underway before the House meets again this spring.

On a personal note, being rather early in the New Year, I want to take this opportunity to wish all members of this Legislature, as well as all Yukoners, a very happy, prosperous and healthy New Year.

Honourable members, thank you. May fairness and wisdom guide your deliberations.

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

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

Prayers

#### INTRODUCTION OF PAGES

**Speaker:** Please be seated.

It gives me great pleasure to introduce the legislative pages who will be serving this House today. They are Clodagh Berg and Vincent Ménard. I would ask members to welcome them to the House at this time.

**Applause** 

#### INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

### Bill No. 1: Introduction and First Reading

**Mr. Gallina:** 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 Porter Creek Centre 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

**Hon. Mr. Silver:** Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order 14.3, I request the unanimous consent of the Assembly to move a motion for an Address in Reply to the Speech from the Throne at this time.

### Unanimous consent to move a motion re Address in Reply to the Speech from the Throne

**Speaker:** The Hon. Premier has, pursuant to Standing Order 14.3, requested the unanimous consent of this Assembly to move a motion for an Address in Reply to the Speech from the Throne at this time.

Is there unanimous consent? **All Hon. Members:** Agreed.

**Speaker:** Unanimous consent has been granted.

### ADDRESS IN REPLY TO THE SPEECH FROM THE THRONE

### Motion No. 2 — Address in Reply to the Speech from the Throne

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

THAT the following address be presented to the Commissioner of Yukon:

MAY IT PLEASE THE COMMISSIONER: We, the Members of the Yukon Legislative Assembly, beg leave to offer our humble thanks for the gracious Speech which you have addressed to the House.

**Speaker:** It has been moved by the Hon. Premier:

THAT the following address be presented to the Commissioner of Yukon:

MAY IT PLEASE THE COMMISSIONER: We, the Members of the Yukon Legislative Assembly, beg leave to offer our humble thanks for the gracious Speech which you have addressed to the House.

### Hon. Mr. Silver: Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

It's a different view over here. I have to say that I've always had friends in this Legislative Assembly; it's nice to have colleagues on this side. Thank you.

Mr. Speaker, I am pleased to speak in reply to the Speech from the Throne on behalf of the government side at this opening of the 34<sup>th</sup> Legislature. I want to echo the Commissioner's remarks in congratulating the honourable members on their election to this House.

For those elected for the first time, this is a new experience. I know that you can rely on the staff of the Legislative Assembly to help you learning the ropes. I'm extremely proud of the members of my team who have been elected for the first time. They bring a wealth of experience and expertise to this House, including skills and knowledge that they have gained from working for and with First Nation governments and with municipalities, in the business world, non-profit societies and in public service.

I would also like to congratulate the Honourable Member for Porter Creek North on her election as a first-time member of this Legislative Assembly. The honourable member has already contributed much to this territory as the Yukon's Commissioner and also as the Chancellor of the Yukon College. I know that she will continue her tradition of service in her new role.

To other colleagues, I extend my congratulations on your re-election. I and the other members of our caucus look forward to working with you over the next coming sittings, months and years. I want to say a special word about the honourable Leader of the Third Party. I'm sure that I speak for all honourable members in conveying our support and good wishes to her at this difficult time for her family.

I am truly honoured that Yukoners have entrusted us with a mandate to govern the territory. In the coming years, we will work with energy and diligence to fulfill our commitments to the people of Yukon. We have committed to a respectful and collaborative relationship with Yukon First Nations. Tomorrow, I, along with other ministers and government MLAs, will meet with the Grand Chief of the Council of Yukon First Nations and Yukon First Nation chiefs from across the territory for our first Yukon Forum. We look forward to productive discussions about shared priorities and how we will work effectively together over the next coming months and years for the benefit of all Yukoners.

We will work to create jobs for Yukoners and a more diverse economy, balanced with stewardship of the environment. We are committed to building vibrant communities that benefit from community and economic development, where local solutions to local issues are valued. We want to help Yukoners lead healthier, productive lives supported by coordinated programs that meet their needs.

As a government, our responsibility is to bring to this Legislative Assembly budgetary and legislative proposals for it to consider that address these commitments. Our responsibility as ministers is not only to explain and to defend choices that we make and proposals that we advance, but also to listen to the ideas and the opinions from the other side of this House. We understand that it is the role of the opposition to question and to critique the proposals that we put forward in this House. This is a fundamental part of parliamentary democracy. We will not always agree. That is to be expected.

Appreciating that there are different views and perspectives among members of this Assembly, I have made a personal commitment to govern in a respectful manner. I have asked the same of my colleagues on this side of the House, and they share that commitment. In that vein, I look forward to vigorous and principled debate on the proposals being put forth in this Assembly.

Mr. Speaker, I appreciate the support of the caucuses on the other side of this House in meeting earlier this Sitting to talk about this session. I also want to congratulate you on your election as Speaker of the House.

We will have the opportunity later today to elect another two House officials — the Deputy Speaker, who also functions as the Chair of Committee of the Whole, and also the Deputy Chair of Committee of the Whole. We will also appoint members from both sides of this Assembly to the standing committees of this House. This will allow the work of these committees to get underway now before a full Sitting of the Assembly, which will begin in March.

Mr. Speaker, I know all members of this Assembly are very proud of the individual ridings that they represent. I am no exception. Dawson City is my home and I represent the Klondike region with great pride. I am incredibly proud and honoured to be the MLA for the Klondike for a second term. Dawson is never far from my mind. Wherever I may be, it is always in my heart.

Other members in this House, I'm sure, feel the same about their communities. I'm sure of that because they wouldn't be in this House if they didn't. They would not have been elected. We have the good fortune as Yukoners to live in a territory of great beauty, a rich place of culture and history, which has communities full of spirited and talented people — one might actually even say "colourful" — communities where looking out for each other is just a way of life.

We all want a territory where people live productive, fulfilled lives; where our economy creates and sustains jobs without compromising the ability of our environment and to do the same for future generations; where the diversity of our population is respected and celebrated; and where Yukoners from infants to seniors and elders have a social safety net when needed. Mr. Speaker, we will disagree at times on the ways to achieve and to sustain these goals. At the same time, we are all here to represent the people of Yukon and to act on their behalf.

So I look forward to working with all representatives here today, both in times of agreement and in times of challenge. I am confident that all members will keep in mind our collective commitment to Yukoners in the place that we all love and call home — the Yukon.

Many thanks, Mr. Speaker.

**Mr. Hassard:** Mr. Speaker, I would just like to begin by congratulating you as well on your new role here as Speaker of the House. I would also like to begin by thanking all of my constituents for the continued support and for entrusting me with the job of representing them in this Assembly one more time.

Mr. Speaker, the key role of the Official Opposition is to hold the government to account, to ensure that they are governing responsibly and that they are following through on what they have promised. It's for that reason that we feel a longer Sitting would have been more appropriate. As you know Mr. Speaker, Question Period is a critical part of our democratic system here in Yukon and allows us, as members of the Legislative Assembly, to ask questions that are important, not only to our constituents, but to all Yukoners. However, the government has requested a shortened Session to allow for more time to get briefed and prepare to govern. In the interest of collaboration and constructive working relationships, we have agreed to this.

Mr. Speaker, in the throne speech that we heard here today, the government has set out priorities over the next few months and I would like to address a few topics that I felt were notably missed. I believe that the Speech from the Throne failed to mention words such as "economy", "jobs", "growth", "mining", "information technology", "agriculture", "education" and "families". We're in a time where a downturn in the commodity markets and an uncertain economy are on the horizon and these topics are of the utmost importance to all Yukoners.

Mr. Speaker, the mining sector will continue to be critical to the economic future of this territory, and the thousands of Yukoners who benefit from it both directly and indirectly will be looking for a government that has their interests at its core. As the government prepares its first budget over the next couple of months, we would like them to consider what they will do to support economic growth, create jobs, stand up for the mining sector and support families. For example, will this government consider jump-starting mineral exploration in the territory through a creation of a mineral exploration tax credit and the investment of additional monies into the Yukon

mineral exploration program? Further, will the government commit to continued support to the Yukon Chamber of Mines, Klondike Placer Miners' Association and the Yukon Minerals Advisory Board? Such moves would have a great benefit for the entire territory, and if the government were to act on such initiatives, we would be supportive.

I would hope that the government would also consider investment in energy-efficiency retrofits of schools, First Nation government buildings and Yukon government buildings. Increasing the amount available in the good energy residential incentive program would only improve these programs that have successfully supported our local construction industry while helping to create super-efficient homes that reduce greenhouse gases.

Another sector that has become an important contributor to the Yukon's economy is the IT sector. Will this government consider working with and investing more money in this industry? These are areas that we see as being beneficial to the local economy. Another benefit to the local economy and to food security would be to take steps to increase the production of local food and agricultural products. Would the government consider improving childcare services in the communities?

In terms of education, will this government continue the work of the previous government by developing a made-in-Yukon curriculum? A made-in-Yukon curriculum focused on improving fundamental skills while introducing modern subjects, such as financial and computer literacy, and emphasizing the importance of our northern perspectives — including the integration of Yukon First Nations' culture and values — would be a worthy initiative for this government to act on. Again, these would be areas that we would support seeing the government move on.

There is another issue of importance to Yukoners and their families that the Yukon government will have to consider over the course of their mandate. The Speech from the Throne rightly references the importance of devolution to Yukon. Mr. Speaker, as you know, successive governments of all political stripes have fought to expand the Yukon government's responsibilities to give Yukoners the right to choose their destiny rather than having it decided for us by someone in Ottawa. However, a concerning trend has arisen out of Ottawa where Yukon's devolution and jurisdiction is being challenged. We have seen that with the recent unilateral decision by the federal government to ban offshore drilling without consulting with Yukon. We have seen that with their unilateral cuts to the territorial transfer payments, with the Yukon now receiving somewhere in the neighbourhood of \$6 million less than originally planned. We have seen it with their decision to make changes to the Canada Pension Plan without giving a say to the territories. We have seen it in the fact that they took northern health care off the table at the recent health ministers' meeting, and we have also seen it with Ottawa's decision to force through a carbon tax, which will only increase the cost of goods here in the north.

Mr. Speaker, in the short time that this government has been in power, we have seen either silence or defence of Ottawa's decisions. I believe that this is dangerous and may in the long term weaken the powers that so many territorial governments have fought for previously.

As the government begins to govern, they must remember that Yukoners elected them to stand up for Yukon, not Ottawa. By standing up for Yukon, by growing the economy, by supporting the mining sector and creating jobs, we will all ensure that Yukon prospers and that our families and future generations can continue to enjoy our great territory.

Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker.

**Ms. White:** It might surprise some to know that five years ago there was no mention of the two First Nations on whose traditional territory we are privileged to stand together and I am so proud of how far we have come together. I thank both the Kwanlin Dün First Nation and the Ta'an Kwäch'än Council for allowing us to conduct the territory's business here on their traditional territory. I am extremely thankful for their contributions and for those of all of Yukon's 14 First Nations to our territory and I thank the new Premier for acknowledging that.

Thank you to my constituents in Takhini-Kopper King for placing your trust in me for a second time. It's an honour to be here on your behalf and it's with you in mind that I will continue to work to fulfill my duties as a member of this Legislature.

Merci du fond du coeur aux résidents de ma circonscription de Takhini-Kopper King qui ont renouvellé confiance en moi comme députée. C'est un honneur de vous représenter. Jour après jour, soyez assurez que vos intérêts et vos besoins sont ma priorité.

Mr. Speaker, Yukoners participated in last fall's election in droves. Our neighbours have shown us the importance of robust, democratic participation and I take great pride in our community for that leadership and that lesson. I look forward to using the opportunity given to us by a new government to pursue new ways to strengthen our democracy. But you know, Mr. Speaker, Yukon is at a crossroads.

First Nations are looking to government to finally fulfill their obligation to make reconciliation and meaningful consultation whole in government priorities. They're ready for action and not just words. All Yukoners are looking for leadership that takes real action to reduce income inequality; that addresses the ongoing housing shortage and takes a long-term stance on environmental protection. With continuing changes to the global climate we must work together harder than ever to keep our territory's water clean and protected for future generations. A strong first step toward that goal is to ban fracking in Yukon forever.

The world is turning to renewable energy at an unprecedented pace. Yukoners, like in most things, would much rather be visionaries than stragglers, and they've proven that in their ongoing investments in solar, geothermal and other renewable energies and it's time for government to catch up. I'm sure that this new government is up to that new challenge and we look forward to working together toward that goal.

Over my years as an MLA — whether helping constituents who come to my office, meeting them at their door or out in the community — I've seen both sides of government action. I have seen government get in the way. I have seen government policies make life really hard for people who are already struggling and I have seen programs ignore the realities of people who already feel like they are up against a wall. But I have also seen government lift people up. I have seen people's lives transformed by meaningful help from a government program that actually works. I have seen the care and compassion shown by civil servants that can make all the difference in someone's life.

So, in my view, if there is one thing that any government, no matter their political stripe, must make a priority, is to make life better for the people we represent — the people of the Yukon. That's what it comes down to. All of us here today — no matter on what side of the room you stand or are currently seated — have the ability to do good for the people we represent. So I wish all of us to keep that at the very top of mind every day as we come to this Legislative Assembly to do the people's work in the people's House. As we begin a new term, the Yukon NDP caucus' ongoing commitment to the people of Yukon is to work collaboratively on any initiative that will make life better for Yukoners. The little guy's voice must always be heard and we'll be here to amplify that voice if it's missed.

So, Mr. Speaker, I look forward to meeting and getting to know all of my new colleagues. I wish us luck in this mandate.

**Speaker:** Are you prepared for the question?

**Some Hon. Members:** Division.

#### **Division**

**Speaker:** Division has been called.

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**Speaker:** Mr. Clerk, please poll the House.

Hon. Mr. Silver: Agree.
Hon. Ms. McPhee: Agree.
Hon. Mr. Pillai: Agree.
Hon. Ms. Dendys: Agree.
Hon. Ms. Frost: Agree.
Mr. Gallina: Agree.
Mr. Adel: Agree.

Hon. Mr. Mostyn: Agree.
Hon. Mr. Streicker: D'accord.

Mr. Hutton: Agree.
Mr. Hassard: Agree.
Mr. Kent: Agree.
Ms. McLeod: Agree.
Ms. Van Bibber: Agree.
Mr. Cathers: Agree.
Ms. White: Agree.

**Clerk:** Mr. Speaker, the results are 16 yea, nil nay. **Speaker:** The yeas have it. I declare the motion carried.

Motion No. 2 agreed to

### Motion to engross Address in Reply to the Speech from the Throne

**Hon. Ms. McPhee:** Mr. Speaker, I move:

THAT the Address in Reply to the Speech from the Throne be engrossed and presented to the Commissioner in his capacity as Lieutenant Governor.

**Speaker:** It has been moved by the Government House Leader:

THAT the Address in Reply to the Speech from the Throne be engrossed and presented to the Commissioner in his capacity as Lieutenant Governor.

Motion agreed to

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

#### **MOTIONS**

### Motion No. 3 — Election of Deputy Speaker and Chair of Committee of the Whole

**Hon. Ms. McPhee:** Mr. Speaker, I move:

THAT Don Hutton, Member for Mayo-Tatchun, be elected Deputy Speaker and Chair of Committee of the Whole.

**Speaker:** It has been moved by the Government House Leader:

THAT Don Hutton, Member for Mayo-Tatchun, be elected Deputy Speaker and Chair of Committee of the Whole.

Motion No. 3 agreed to

### Motion No. 4 — Election of Deputy Chair of Committee of the Whole

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

**Hon. Ms. McPhee:** I move:

THAT Ted Adel, Member for Copperbelt North, be elected as Deputy Chair of Committee of the Whole.

**Speaker:** It has been moved by the Government House Leader:

THAT Ted Adel, Member for Copperbelt North, be elected as Deputy Chair of Committee of the Whole.

Motion No. 4 agreed to

### **TABLING RETURNS AND DOCUMENTS**

**Speaker:** Under tabling returns and documents, the Chair has for tabling the Conflict of Interest Commission annual report for the period ending March 31, 2016. This report is tabled pursuant to section 19 of the *Conflict of Interest (Members and Ministers) Act.* It was distributed to members and made public on June 23, 2016. Mr. Clerk has also kindly advised me that the throne speech has to be tabled as well.

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

As well, the Chair has also for tabling the Yukon Child and Youth Advocate Office 2015-16 Annual Report. This

report is tabled pursuant to section 24 of the *Child and Youth Advocate Act*.

Further, the Chair also has for tabling the Yukon Human Rights Commission 2015-16 annual report. The annual report is tabled pursuant to section 18 of the *Human Rights Act*.

The Chair also has for tabling the 23<sup>rd</sup> report of the Standing Committee on Appointments to Major Government Boards and Committees of the 33<sup>rd</sup> Yukon Legislative Assembly, dated August 10, 2016, and the first report of the Members' Services Board of the 33<sup>rd</sup> Legislative Assembly, dated June 29, 2016.

Finally, the Chair also has for tabling the *Report from the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly on the Absence of Members from Sittings of the Legislative Assembly and its Committees*, dated January 12, 2017. This report is tabled pursuant to the direction of the Members' Services Board.

Are there any further returns or documents for tabling?

**Hon.** Mr. Silver: I have for tabling, pursuant to subsection 8(2) of the *Financial Administration Act*, the Public Accounts of the Government of Yukon, 2015-16. The Public Accounts were made public on October 31, 2016.

**Hon. Mr. Pillai:** Pursuant to subsection 22(3) of the *Yukon Development Corporation Act*, I have for tabling the 2015 annual report for the Yukon Development Corporation.

**Hon. Ms. McPhee:** I have for tabling, pursuant to subsection 16(3) of the *Yukon College Act*, the Yukon College annual report, financial statements and auditors report for 2015-16.

Mr. Speaker, in my capacity as Minister of Justice, I also have for tabling, pursuant to section 9 of the *Crime Prevention* and *Victim Services Trust Act*, the 2015-16 annual report of the board of trustees.

**Hon. Mr. Streicker:** Pursuant to section 16 of the *Liquor Act*, I have for tabling the 2015-16 annual report of the Yukon Liquor Corporation.

**Hon. Ms. Frost:** Pursuant to subsection 4(11) of the *Child Care Act*, I have for tabling the Yukon Child Care Board 2015-16 annual report.

I also have for tabling, pursuant to subsection 13(3) of the *Hospital Act*, Yukon Hospital Corporation financial statements and auditor's report for 2015-16.

In my capacity as minister responsible for Yukon Housing Corporation, I also have for tabling, pursuant to subsection 23(2) of the *Housing Corporation Act*, the Yukon Housing Corporation annual report for 2015-16.

**Hon. Mr. Mostyn:** I have for tabling the *Access to Information and Protection of Privacy Act* review report, which is tabled pursuant to section 69 of the *Access to Information and Protection of Privacy Act*.

I also have for tabling the Yukon Teachers Labour Relations Board annual report for 2015-16, which is tabled

pursuant to section 103 of the Education Labour Relations Act.

Finally, Mr. Speaker, I have for tabling the Yukon Public Service Labour Relations Board annual report 2015-16, which is tabled pursuant to section 101 of the *Public Service Labour Relations Act*.

**Hon. Ms. Dendys:** Mr. Speaker, I have for tabling the Yukon Heritage Resources Board annual report for 2015-16, which is tabled pursuant to subsection 7(7) of the *Historic Resource Act*.

Mr. Speaker, I also have for tabling the Yukon Arts Centre Corporation annual report for 2015-16, which is tabled pursuant to subsection 12(3) of the *Arts Centre Act*.

**Mr. Cathers:** Mr. Speaker, I have for tabling a letter from me to the Premier regarding the Takhini River bridge on the north Klondike Highway.

I also have a letter for the Minister of Community Services from me regarding civic addressing for the Mayo Road and Hot Springs Road areas.

**Speaker:** Are there any further returns or documents for tabling?

May I have your further pleasure at this time?

#### INTRODUCTION OF VISITORS

**Hon. Mr. Silver:** Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. There are an awful lot of folks in the gallery here today and I'm sure there are a lot of people in the Legislative Assembly who want to welcome them here today, so I will just pick out three for now.

Mr. Speaker, with the indulgence of my colleagues I would like everybody of the Legislative Assembly to help me in welcoming Dr. Karen Barnes, the president of Yukon College; Jacqueline Bedard, the executive director of external and government relations at the college; and also Jessica Thompson, the executive director of the Yukon Human Rights Commission.

Applause

Hon. Ms. Dendys: Mr. Speaker, I too would like to thank those who came out to be here for our first Sitting. I would like to acknowledge my brother, Jerry Asp. He has been beside me through this journey — thank you for coming — and my other family member, Maureen Johnstone. We represent the family of John Edzerza, and I just want to say that as well.

I would like to acknowledge a couple of constituents — Marie Martin and Shayne Fairman. Thank you.

Applause

Mr. Kent: Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker — again, many individuals in the gallery who are worth mentioning and I too will mention but a few. First of all I would like to welcome Annette King, the Child and Youth Advocate, as well as Jonas Smith, the executive director of the

Klondike Placer Miners' Association, and two colleagues from the 33<sup>rd</sup> Legislative Assembly who I see — David Laxton, former member for Porter Creek Centre and Jan Stick, former member for Riverdale South.

Applause

**Hon. Mr. Mostyn:** Thanks very much. I rise today to recognize — we've talked a lot about democracy today — but I would like to recognize Stu Clark. He ran in the last territorial election in the wonderful riding of Whitehorse West and I just wanted to draw attention to him and thank him for his efforts during this last election.

Applause

**Hon. Ms. Frost:** Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to those in the gallery — my husband and my brother — for being beside me and supporting me through the election. Thank you.

Applause

**Mr. Hutton:** Mr. Speaker, I would like to acknowledge my sister in the audience, Joyce Van Bibber. She was a surrogate mother to me when I was a child; my parents worked so hard. I wouldn't be here without Joyce today.

I also see someone who has been a dear friend of mine for many years and who helped me out greatly with my campaign as well — former Chief of Little Salmon Carmacks First Nation, Eric Fairclough.

**Applause** 

Mr. Adel: Mr. Speaker, I also would like to acknowledge friends and family in the gallery today and constituents who helped elect me in Copperbelt North. A special thanks to my wife, who was on my team; and to Kirk Cameron, who also helped. Devin Bailey — also very important to my campaign and in our Liberal victory. Thank you very much.

Applause

**Mr. Hassard:** Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I would like to all members to join me in recognizing and welcoming today Yukon's Ombudsman, Diane McLeod-McKay.

**Applause** 

Mr. Gallina: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I rise today to thank a few people who helped me get to the position I am in today. Susan Simpson was my campaign manager — thank you. My father, Peter Gallina, is in the gallery today. I thank constituents and other supporters who have joined us here today.

**Applause** 

**Hon.** Ms. McPhee: Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize members of my family who are here — my mother, who helped and has always supported me; also all of the members of the public service who are here today who help

all of us in all the work we do, and all Yukoners in their duties which are vast and varied. Thank you.

**Applause** 

**Ms. White:** Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I feel like I should join the fray.

I would like to start by welcoming Rob and Mary Ann Lewis, who have sat through every single day I have been elected —from the 33<sup>rd</sup> Legislative Assembly and here they are in the 34<sup>th</sup> — so I thank you for your dedication and your passion for democracy.

I'm going to also take this opportunity to thank my staff members. So we have Maggie Larocque; we have Mike Fancie and we have François Picard. Thank you so much for all the work that you do.

Applause

**Hon. Mr. Pillai:** Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I would like to recognize Russ Knutson, who is here today — the chair of the Yukon Human Rights Commission — for his most important and hard work in our community.

I would also like to recognize a great friend and associate who is here today, Mr. Brad Weston. Certainly I wouldn't have had the opportunity to sit here if it wasn't for the hours and hours of work that you put behind this and for helping me. Also the individuals who are sitting there with you are also very important team members: Ms. Lassen, and Monica — who just continues to help us here in her role. For all those hours that you have put in, which gave us the opportunity here to work for this community, thank you very much.

Applause

Hon. Mr. Streicker: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I would also like to acknowledge Rob and Mary Ann Lewis, who are constituents from the beautiful riding of Mount Lorne-Southern Lakes. I would also like to acknowledge Werner Rhein, Anne Middler, Wendy Morrison and I would especially like to acknowledge — oh, my lovely wife has left. But my lovely mother-in-law is here so I will acknowledge her. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

*Applause* 

### Unanimous consent to move without notice motions re appointments to standing committees

Hon. Ms. McPhee: Pursuant to Standing Order 14.3, I request the unanimous consent of the House to move without notice a motion to appoint the Members' Services Board, a motion to appoint the Standing Committee on Public Accounts, a motion to appoint the Standing Committee on Rules, Elections and Privileges, a motion to appoint the Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments and a motion to appoint the Standing Committee on Appointments to Major Government Boards and Committees.

**Speaker:** The Government House Leader has, pursuant to Standing Order 14.3, requested the unanimous consent of the House to move without notice a motion to appoint the Members' Services Board, a motion to appoint the Standing

Committee on Public Accounts, a motion to appoint the Standing Committee on Rules, Elections and Privileges, a motion to appoint the Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments and a motion to appoint the Standing Committee on Appointments to Major Government Boards and Committees. Is there unanimous consent?

All Hon. Members: Agreed.

**Speaker:** Unanimous consent has been granted.

#### **MOTIONS**

### Motion No. 5 — Appointments to Members' Services Board

**Hon. Ms. McPhee:** Mr. Speaker, I move:

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

THAT the Hon. Sandy Silver, the Hon. Tracy-Anne McPhee, Brad Cathers and Liz Hanson 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 submission 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 and the Public Interest Disclosure Commissioner;
  - (c) Vote 24 Elections Office; and
- (d) Vote 26 Child and Youth Advocate Office; and
- (2) that the board consider policy questions concerning matters such as:
  - (a) space allocation;
  - (b) staffing;
  - (c) caucus funding;
  - (d) media gallery House rules; and
  - (e) Hansard; and

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

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

**Speaker:** You have heard the motion from the Government House Leader. Are you prepared for the question?

Motion No. 5 agreed to

### Motion No. 6 — Appointments to Standing Committee on Public Accounts

**Hon. Ms. McPhee:** Mr. Speaker, I move:

THAT Stacey Hassard, Paolo Gallina, Ted Adel, Don Hutton, Wade Istchenko and Liz Hanson be appointed to

the Standing Committee on Public Accounts, established pursuant to Standing Order 45(3);

THAT the 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 necessary support services to the Committee.

**Speaker:** You have heard the motion from the Government House Leader. Are you prepared for the question?

Motion No. 6 agreed to

### Motion No. 7 — Appointments to Standing Committee on Rules, Elections and Privileges

**Hon. Ms. McPhee:** I move:

THAT Paolo Gallina, Don Hutton, Ted Adel, the Hon. Richard Mostyn, Brad Cathers, Scott Kent and Liz Hanson be appointed to the Standing Committee on Rules, Elections and Privileges, established pursuant to Standing Order 45(1);

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

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

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

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

**Speaker:** You have heard the motion from the Government House Leader. Are you prepared for the question?

Motion No. 7 agreed to

### Motion No. 8 — Appointments to Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments

Hon. Ms. McPhee: Mr. Speaker, I move:

THAT Ted Adel, Paolo Gallina, Don Hutton, Geraldine Van Bibber, Patti McLeod and Kate White be appointed to the Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, established pursuant to Standing Order 45(1);

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

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

THAT the 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 that Committee.

**Speaker:** You have heard the motion from the Government House Leader. Are you prepared for the question?

Motion No. 8 agreed to

### Motion No. 9 — Appointments to Standing Committee on Appointments to Major Government Boards and Committees

**Hon. Ms. McPhee:** I move:

THAT Don Hutton, Ted Adel, Paolo Gallina, the Hon. Jeanie Dendys, Geraldine Van Bibber, Patti McLeod and Kate White be appointed to the Standing Committee on Appointments to Major Government Boards and Committees, established pursuant to Standing Order 45(3.1);

THAT the 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.

**Speaker:** You have heard the motion from the Government House Leader. Are you prepared for the question?

Motion No. 9 agreed to

### **Special Adjournment Motion**

**Hon. Ms. McPhee:** Mr. Speaker, I move:

THAT this House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until the Premier has informed the Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order 73(1), that the public interest requires that the House meet:

THAT the Speaker shall, pursuant to Standing Order 73(1), give notice that the House shall meet at the time designated by the Premier, and thereupon, the House shall meet at the time stated in such notice and shall transact its business as if it had been duly adjourned to that time; and

THAT if the Speaker is unable to act owing to illness or other causes, the Deputy Speaker shall act in the Speaker's stead for the purpose of this Order.

**Speaker:** It has been moved by the Government House Leader:

THAT this House, at its rising, do stand adjourned until the Premier has informed the Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order 73(1), that the public interest requires that the House meet:

THAT the Speaker shall, pursuant to Standing Order 73(1), give notice that the House shall meet at the time designated by the Premier, and thereupon, the House shall meet at the time stated in such notice and shall transact its business as if it had been duly adjourned to that time; and

THAT if the Speaker is unable to act owing to illness or other causes, the Deputy Speaker shall act in the Speaker's stead for the purpose of this Order.

**Speaker:** You have heard the motion from the Government House Leader. Are you prepared for the question?

Motion agreed to

#### **TABLING RETURNS AND DOCUMENTS**

**Hon. Ms. Frost:** Mr. Speaker, I reneged earlier in submitting a report. I would like to now table the Yukon Health and Social Services Council annual report for 2015-16, which is tabled pursuant to section 41 of the *Health Act*.

**Speaker:** Are there any other reports to be tabled?

**Hon. Ms. McPhee:** Mr. Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn.

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

Motion agreed to

**Speaker:** This House now stands adjourned.

The House adjourned at 4:14 p.m.

### The following sessional papers were tabled January 12, 2017:

34-1-1

Speech from the Throne (Speaker Clarke)

34-1-2

Yukon Conflict of Interest Commission Annual Report to the Legislative Assembly for the Period from 1 April 2015 to 31 March 2016 (June 16, 2016) (Speaker Clarke)

34-1-3

Shining a Light on Advocacy — 2015/2016 Annual Report — Yukon Child and Youth Advocate Office (Speaker Clarke)

34-1-4

Yukon Human Rights Commission — A Year in Review — 2015-2016 Annual Report and Yukon Human Rights Commission Financial Statements (March 31, 2016) (Speaker Clarke)

34-1-5

Standing Committee on Appointments to Major Government Boards and Committees Twenty-third Report (August 10, 2016) (Speaker Clarke)

34-1-6

*Members' Services Board First Report* (June 29, 2016) (Speaker Clarke)

34-1-7

Report from the Clerk of the Yukon Legislative Assembly on the Absence of Members from Sittings of the Legislative Assembly and its Committees (January 12, 2017) (Speaker Clarke) 34-1-8

Yukon Public Accounts 2015-2016 (Silver)

34-1-9

Yukon Development Corporation Annual Report 2015 (Pillai)

34-1-10

Yukon College 2015-2016 Annual Report and independent auditor's report (December 10, 2016) (McPhee)

34-1-11

Crime Prevention & Victim Services Trust Fund Annual Report 2015-2016 (McPhee)

34-1-12

Yukon Liquor Corporation Annual Report — April 1, 2015 to March 31, 2016 (Streicker)

34-1-13

Yukon Child Care Annual Report — April 1, 2015-March 31, 2016 (Frost)

34-1-14

Yukon Hospital Corporation Consolidated Financial Statements (March 31, 2016), Chief of Medical Staff Annual Report 2015/16 and Yukon Hospitals — Year in Review 2015-16 (Frost)

34-1-15

Yukon Housing Corporation Annual Report for the year ended March 31, 2016 (Frost)

34-1-16

Access to Information and Protection of Privacy (ATIPP) Act Review Report (December 2016) (Mostyn)

34-1-17

Annual Report 2015-2016 — Yukon Teachers Labour Relations Board (Mostyn)

34-1-18

Annual Report 2015-2016 — Yukon Public Service Labour Relations Board (Mostyn)

34-1-19

Heritage Resources Board Annual Report — April 1, 2015-March 31, 2016 (Dendys)

34-1-20

Yukon Arts Centre 2015/16 Annual Report (Dendys)

34-1-21

Yukon Health and Social Services Council 2015-2016 Annual Report (Frost)

### The following documents were filed January 12, 2017:

34-1-1

Takhini River Bridge on the North Klondike Highway, letter re (dated January 10, 2017) from Brad Cathers, Member for Lake Laberge to Hon. Sandy Silver, Premier (Cathers)

34-1-2

Civic Addressing for the Mayo Road and Hotsprings Areas, letter re (dated December 19, 2016) from Brad Cathers, Member for Lake Laberge to Hon. John Streicker, Minister of Community Services (Cathers)

### Written notice was given of the following motions January 12, 2017:

Motion No. 10

Re: declaring National Aboriginal Day a statutory holiday in Yukon by June 21, 2017 (White)

Motion No. 11

Re: amendments to the Yukon *Human Rights Act* and the *Vital Statistics Act* (White)

Motion No. 12

Re: preventing hydraulic fracturing in Yukon (White)

Motion No. 13

Re: enforcing the fair wage schedule on government contracts (White)

### The following written questions were tabled January 12, 2017:

34-1-1

Re: communication infrastructure (Kent)

34-1-2

Re: convening legislative committees (Kent)

34-1-3

Re: Yukon's agriculture sector (Cathers)

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Re: communications infrastructure (Cathers)

34-1-5

Re: community safety, property crime, and illegal drug trade (Cathers)

34-1-6

Re: reviewing the medical travel program (McLeod)

34-1-7

Re: compensation for owners of placer and quartz mining claims (Kent)

34-1-8

Re: carbon tax in Yukon (Hassard)

34-1-9

Re: government transparency (Hassard)

34-1-10

Re: health care transfers (Hassard)

34-1-11

Re: emergency housing for Ross River (Hassard)

34-1-12

Re: Yukon resource gateway project (Hassard)

34-1-13

Re: national inquiry into missing and murdered indigenous women and girls (Van Bibber)

34-1-14

Re: Yukon vision for education (Van Bibber)