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1. Motion No. 219

Oral Question Period

Hon. Ms. McPhee, Minister of Health and Social Services
THAT this House supports the supervised consumption site operating at 6189
6th Avenue in downtown Whitehorse.

2. Motion No. 301

Hon. Mr. Pillai, Minister responsible for the Yukon Housing Corporation THAT this House commends the City of Whitehorse for its work on a request for proposals for a master plan to develop the Tank Farm property.

3. Motion No. 311

Hon. Ms. McPhee, Minister of Health and Social Services THAT this House supports the Government of Yukon's January 20, 2022 declaration of a substance use health emergency.

4. Motion No. 316

Hon. Mr. Mostyn, Minister of Community Services
THAT this House congratulates Yukoner Graham Nishikawa on his guiding of
Canadian Paralympian Brian McKeever during the 2022 Beijing Paralympics.

Hon. Mr. Streicker, Minister responsible for the Yukon Development Corporation and the Yukon Energy Corporation

THAT this House supports the Yukon Energy Corporation's 10-year renewable electricity plan.

6. Motion No. 321

Hon. Mr. Pillai, Minister responsible for the Yukon Housing Corporation THAT this House commends the private sector for major increases in the amount of money being spent on residential building construction.

7. Motion No. 322

Hon. Mr. Mostyn, Minister of Community Services
THAT this House congratulates the United States Senate on voting
unanimously to make daylight saving time permanent as of November 2023.

8. Motion No. 323

Hon. Mr. Clarke, Minister of Highways and Public Works
THAT this House supports the continued transition away from fossil fuels by
electrifying the Government of Yukon's fleet vehicles.

9. Motion No. 332

Hon. Mr. Streicker, Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources
THAT this House supports the continued transition away from fossil fuels
towards zero emissions vehicles, including rebates and charging stations.

10. Motion No. 333

Hon. Mr. Streicker, Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources THAT this House supports the work of the Dawson Regional Planning Commission.

11. Motion No. 338

Hon. Ms. McLean, Minister of Education THAT this House supports the Yukon First Nation School Board.

12. Motion No. 342

Hon. Mr. Clarke, Minister of Highways and Public Works
THAT this House supports creating Internet redundancy in Yukon.

13. Motion No. 354

Hon. Mr. Mostyn, Minister of Community Services
THAT this House congratulates the Canadian men's national soccer team for qualifying to participate in the 2022 FIFA World Cup.

14. Motion No. 356

Hon. Mr. Clarke, Minister of Highways and Public Works
THAT this House supports the construction of the Whistle Bend elementary school.

Hon. Ms. McLean, Minister responsible for the Women and Gender Equity Directorate

THAT this House condemns the actions of Hockey Canada in response to allegations of sexual abuse.

16. Motion No. 483

Hon. Ms. McPhee, Minister of Justice

THAT this House urges the Yukon RCMP to implement all of the recommendations of the independent officer's review of the 2019 Hidden Valley investigation.

17. Motion No. 521

Hon. Ms. McLean, Minister of Education

THAT this House congratulates Shadelle Chambers, Erin Pauls, Dana Tizya-Tramm, Jocelyn Joe-Strack, and Gillian Staveley on their election as trustees to the first-ever Yukon First Nation School Board.

18. Motion No. 524

Hon. Mr. Pillai, Minister of Economic Development

THAT this House congratulates Yukon on leading the country in real GDP growth in 2021, with a growth rate of 10 percent.

19. Motion No. 527

Hon. Ms. McLean, Minister of Education

THAT this House congratulates Tia Campbell, Cassandra Malach, Brian Laird, Andrea Oldridge, and Rebecca Hutchings-Archibald on their acclamation to the first-ever Whistle Bend Elementary School Council.

20. Motion No. 533

Hon. Mr. Clarke, Minister of Highways and Public Works

THAT this House expresses support for the people of Iran who are fighting for their rights and freedoms.

21. Motion No. 580

Hon. Ms. McLean, Minister of Education

THAT this House congratulates the organizers of the 10th Yukon African Music Festival.

22. Motion No. 581

Hon. Ms. McPhee, Minister of Justice

THAT this House congratulates the Law Society of Yukon for mandating Indigenous cultural competency training for all of the society's members.

23. Motion No. 582

Hon. Mr. Clarke, Minister of Environment

THAT this House congratulates Dylan Cozens on his new contract with the Buffalo Sabres of the National Hockey League.

Hon. Mr. Mostyn, Minister of Community Services

THAT this House congratulates all Yukon athletes who participated in the 2023 Arctic Winter Games and Canada Winter Games.

25. Motion No. 589

Hon. Mr. Streicker, Minister of Tourism and Culture

THAT this House congratulates the organizers of the Yukon Rendezvous on another successful event.

26. Motion No. 590

Hon. Ms. McPhee, Minister of Health and Social Services

THAT this House supports the creation of a Yukon health authority and the transformation of Yukon's health care and social services system, as described in *Putting People First – the final report of the comprehensive review of Yukon's health and social programs and services*.

27. Motion No. 591

Hon. Ms. McLean, Minister responsible for the Women and Gender Equity Directorate

THAT this House congratulates Yukon University and Yukon Women in Trades and Technology for their work to offer a free welding program for women and non-binary people interested in welding or related trades as a career option.

28. Motion No. 592

Hon. Mr. Mostyn, Minister of Community Services

THAT this House congratulates the municipalities throughout Yukon on the implementation of the Better Buildings program.

29. Motion No. 593

Hon. Mr. Clarke, Minister of Environment

THAT this House congratulates the Yukon Conservation Data Centre and the Yukon Research Centre at Yukon University on the successful delivery of the 2023 Yukon Biodiversity Forum and for their work to:

- (1) foster partnerships and networking, including coordinated contribution to national and local initiatives relative to the Canadian biodiversity strategy;
- (2) deliver public education on biodiversity issues;
- (3) provide coordination among field researchers promoting long-term data on key species; and
- (4) integrate local traditional knowledge into ongoing field data gathering processes.

Hon. Ms. McLean, Minister responsible for the Women and Gender Equity Directorate

THAT this House urges all Members of the Yukon Legislative Assembly to take the introduction to gender-inclusive diversity analysis training course that assists in:

- (1) identifying how personal and systemic biases can impact different stages of decision making;
- (2) implementing a gender-inclusive diversity analysis lens during decisionmaking processes at work to enhance the inclusivity of programs, policies, and services; and
- (3) evaluating the different impacts of an initiative and considerations to take into account when addressing how people are impacted.

31. Motion No. 604

Hon. Mr. Silver, Minister of the Public Service Commission

THAT this House urges the Government of Yukon to continue the implementation of gender-inclusive diversity analysis on key initiatives across government by providing training, research support, and analysis.

32. Motion No. 606

Hon. Ms. McPhee, Minister of Justice

THAT this House congratulates the Yukon Human Rights Commission on the successful delivery of the Y(OUR) PART conference as part of its work to educate the public and build capacity in collaboration with stakeholders to effectively and responsibly address sexual harassment in Yukon workplaces.

33. Motion No. 607

Hon. Mr. Mostyn, Minister of Community Services

THAT this House supports the Canadian national women's soccer team in their continued fight to seek equal pay with the Canadian national men's soccer team.

34. Motion No. 612

Hon. Mr. Pillai, Premier

THAT this House supports equality, diversity, and gender parity within the Yukon government.

35. Motion No. 613

Hon. Mr. Pillai, Premier

THAT this House supports the Government of Yukon's efforts to ensure that the port of Skagway remains accessible as an export option for the Yukon mining industry.

Hon. Mr. Streicker, Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources

THAT this House supports the development of resource road regulations that will provide a modem framework for managing and enforcing resource roads in Yukon.

37. Motion No. 636

Hon. Mr. Clarke, Minister of Environment

THAT this House supports the people of Ukraine in their defence of their homeland against the Russian invasion.

38. Motion No. 643

Hon. Mr. Pillai, Premier

THAT this House supports the Government of Yukon working with the private sector to help meet its labour needs by utilizing all 430 Yukon nominee allocations under the 2023 provincial nominee program.

39. Motion No. 644

Hon. Ms. McPhee, Minister of Justice

THAT this House adopts the International Holocaust Remembrance Alliance's working definition of anti-Semitism: "Antisemitism is a certain perception of Jews, which may be expressed as hatred toward Jews. Rhetorical and physical manifestations of antisemitism are directed toward Jewish or non-Jewish individuals and/or their property, toward Jewish community institutions and religious facilities."

40. Motion No. 647

Hon. Ms. McLean, Minister of Education

THAT this House supports the Yukon First Nation Education Directorate's fourth annual First Nation education conference.

41. Motion No. 651

Hon. Mr. Mostyn, Minister of Community Services

THAT this House supports the Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada's call to action 88: "We call upon all levels of government to take action to ensure long-term Aboriginal athlete development and growth, and continued support for the North American Indigenous Games, including funding to host the games and for provincial and territorial team preparation and travel."

42. Motion No. 659

Hon. Mr. Streicker, Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources

THAT this House supports the Government of Yukon's investment toward ColdAcre Food Systems' food processing facility to double its capacity to process goods and get its goods to market.

Hon. Ms. McPhee, Minister of Justice

THAT this House supports the efforts of those who travelled to the Vatican to share their experiences and the lasting impacts of the residential school system, which resulted in the formal repudiation of the Doctrine of Discovery.

44. Motion No. 684

Hon. Mr. Pillai, Premier

THAT this House wishes the Jewish community in Yukon a happy Passover.

45. Motion No. 685

Hon. Ms. McPhee, Minister of Justice

THAT this House condemns the violence and intimidation of artists and performers in the drag community.

46. Motion No. 697

Hon. Mr. Pillai, Premier

THAT this House acknowledges that Yom HaShoah, or Holocaust Remembrance Day, is a day of commemoration for the six million Jews murdered in the Holocaust and the millions of other victims of Nazi persecution.

47. Motion No. 701

Hon. Ms. McPhee, Minister of Health and Social Services

THAT this House supports the work of the Referred Care Clinic in Whitehorse including opioid treatment services, which include opioid agonist therapies and safer supply medications for patients, as well as the expansion of those programs to serve Yukon communities.

48. Motion No. 714

Hon. Mr. Pillai, Premier

THAT this House congratulates Sharon Nelson on her election as Chief of the Selkirk First Nation as well as new Crow councillors Samantha Dawson and Ashley Edzerza, Wolf councillors Cody Sims and Patrick McGinty, elder councillor Amy Johnson, and youth councillor Keyshawn Sawyer, on their election.

49. Motion No. 715

Hon. Mr. Pillai, Premier

THAT this House congratulates Dawna Hope on her election as Chief of the First Nation of Na-Cho Nyäk Dun as well as Deputy Chief Roberta Hager and councillors Edward Brown, Helaina Moses, Geri-Lee Buyck, and Paul Profeit, on their election.

50. Motion No. 716

Hon. Ms. McLean, Minister of Education

THAT this House congratulates Sean Smith on his recent election as Chief of the Kwanlin Dün First Nation as well as the new councillors Charlene Charlie, Charles Chief, Linda Moen, Jesse Ryder, Jolene Smarch, and Ray Sydney, on their election.

51. Motion No. 734

Hon. Mr. Pillai, Minister responsible for the Yukon Housing Corporation THAT this House supports the expansion of the Yukon home ownership loan program.

52. Motion No. 735

Hon. Mr. Pillai, Premier

THAT this House congratulates the Honourable Adeline Webber on her appointment as the Commissioner of Yukon.

53. Motion No. 736

Hon. Mr. Pillai, Minister responsible for the Yukon Housing Corporation THAT this House supports the Government of Yukon's ongoing partnership with the Government of Canada to provide the Canada-Yukon housing benefit.

54. Motion No. 737

Hon. Ms. McLean, Minister of Education

THAT this House supports protecting and respecting students' rights through the continual evaluation, modernization, and implementation of the sexual orientation and gender identity policy.

55. Motion No. 738

Hon. Ms. McLean, Minister responsible for the Women and Gender Equity Directorate

THAT this House urges the Government of Yukon to continue to advance initiatives outlined in the LGBTQ2S+ *Inclusion Action Plan*.

56. Motion No. 739

Hon. Ms. McPhee, Minister of Health and Social Services

THAT this House acknowledges the importance of supporting low-income Yukoners affected by inflation by:

- (1) increasing the monthly payments of the Yukon seniors income supplement by 37.5 percent; and
- (2) providing eligible social assistance recipients with an additional \$100 per month until a rate review is completed.

57. Motion No. 740

Hon. Ms. McPhee, Minister of Justice

THAT this House condemns the use of the notwithstanding clause to challenge education policies that cause harm to vulnerable individuals.

58. Motion No. 741

Hon. Mr. Clarke, Minister of Environment

THAT this House supports the Government of Yukon working with the Government of Canada to support low-income homeowners' transition from home heating oil to low-emitting heating technologies.

Hon. Mr. Mostyn, Minister of Community Services

THAT this House acknowledges the importance of supporting low-income workers by:

- (1) increasing the territory's minimum wage and tying future yearly increases to the consumer price index for Whitehorse; and
- (2) creating a paid sick leave rebate program for Yukoners earning less than the average private sector wage, including self-employed Yukoners.

60. Motion No. 743

Hon. Mr. Streicker, Minister responsible for the Yukon Development Corporation and the Yukon Energy Corporation

THAT this House supports the expansion and extension of the inflation relief rebate to reduce Yukoners' power bills.

61. Motion No. 747

Hon. Mr. Silver, Minister of Finance

THAT this House supports the annual increase to the Yukon child benefit that matches the Whitehorse consumer price index.

62. Motion No. 754

Hon. Ms. McLean, Minister of Education

THAT this House acknowledges the Government of Yukon's commitment to supporting the design and delivery of the understanding the early years course as part of the Yukon First Nation Education Directorate's early years program.

63. Motion No. 755

Hon. Ms. McLean, Minister of Education

THAT this House supports the Government of Yukon's universal childcare program.

64. Motion No. 764

Hon. Mr. Pillai, Premier

THAT this House condemns Hamas' attacks on the people of Israel.

65. Motion No. 766

Hon. Ms. McPhee, Minister of Health and Social Services

THAT this House celebrates the second anniversary of the supervised consumption site.

66. Motion No. 768

Hon. Mr. Streicker, Minister of Tourism and Culture

THAT this House supports the Government of Yukon's community tourism destination development fund.

Hon. Ms. McPhee, Minister of Health and Social Services

THAT this House encourages Yukoners to receive the COVID-19 and flu vaccines to protect the health and safety of individuals and Yukon communities.

68. Motion No. 777

Hon. Ms. McPhee, Minister of Health and Social Services

THAT this House acknowledges Northwestel's 20 years of ongoing support for the Yukon Hospital Foundation through their partnership in the Festival of Trees and for their recent \$450,000 donation over the next five years in support of the Building Better Together Campaign.

69. Motion No. 787

Hon. Ms. McLean, Minister of Education

THAT this House expresses disappointment with the Government of Québec for its decision to raise tuition rates for non-residents of Québec attending English-speaking, post-secondary institutions in Québec.

70. Motion No. 790

Hon. Mr. Pillai, Premier

THAT this House celebrates the signing of self-government agreements with First Nations, including:

- (1) the 30th anniversary of the signing of the *Umbrella Final Agreement* and the signing of the first four Yukon First Nation final and self-government agreements by Champagne and Aishihik First Nations, the First Nation of Na-Cho Nyäk Dun, Teslin Tlingit Council, and the Vuntut Gwitchin First Nation;
- (2) the 25th anniversary of the signing of the Tr'ondëk Hwëch'in final and self-government agreements; and
- (3) the 20th anniversary of the signing of the Kluane First Nation final and self-government agreements.

71. Motion No. 791

Hon. Mr. Mostyn, Minister of Community Services

THAT this House celebrates the contributions of Christine Sinclair throughout her long career on the international stage as a member of the Canadian national women's soccer team and in her work to seek equal pay with the Canadian national men's soccer team.

72. Motion No. 800

Hon. Mr. Pillai, Premier

THAT this House congratulates Gavin McKenna on being named to Team Canada's red roster for the 2023 World Under-17 Hockey Challenge.

Hon. Mr. Pillai, Premier

THAT this House congratulates Ione Christensen, Yukon female trailblazer, on her 90th birthday.

Government Bills

Second Reading

1. Bill No. 32, Act to amend the Victims of Crime Act (2023)

- Hon. Ms. McPhee, Minister of Justice

Committee of the Whole

- 1. Bill No. 211, Second Appropriation Act 2023-24
 - Hon. Mr. Silver, Minister of Finance
- 2. Bill No. 34, Technical Amendments (Finance) Act (2023)
 - Hon. Mr. Silver, Minister of Finance
- 3. Bill No. 31, Fiduciaries Access to Digital Assets Act
 - Hon. Ms. McPhee, Minister of Justice

PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS Bills other than Government Bills

Second Reading

- 1. Bill No. 1, Act to Perpetuate a Certain Ancient Right
 - MLA Tredger, Member for Whitehorse Centre
- 2. Bill No. 301, Act to Amend the Taxpayer Protection Act
 - Mr. Cathers, Member for Lake Laberge

WRITTEN QUESTIONS

1. Written Question No. 14 (March 30, 2022)

Ms. White, Leader of the Third Party

Addressed to the Hon. Ms. McPhee, Minister of Health and Social Services What are the names of the members of the Aging in Place Seniors Advisory Committee, and are they representatives of Yukon First Nation elders, Yukon non-governmental organizations, individuals with rural Yukon experience, individuals from the French-speaking community, or members at large who represent seniors or elders?

2. Written Question No. 25 (April 28, 2022)

Mr. Cathers, Member for Lake Laberge

Addressed to the Hon. Ms. McPhee, Minister of Health and Social Services With respect to health care in rural Yukon communities:

- (1) which rural communities have access to physician services locally, and how are those services provided;
- (2) in communities where physician services are provided via contract for a visiting physician, how often are those services provided in each community;
- (3) what health care positions currently exist in each community (including nurses, mental health positions, and social workers);
- (4) of the community health positions, which are filled and which are vacant;
- (5) how many staff of the Department of Health and Social Services, by community and branch, were placed on leave due to the vaccination mandate; and
- (6) how many staff of the Department of Health and Social Services, by community and branch, are still on leave due to the vaccination mandate?
- 3. Written Question No. 26 (April 28, 2022)

Mr. Cathers, Member for Lake Laberge

Addressed to the Hon. Ms. McPhee, Minister of Health and Social Services
With respect to mental health services that were provided to Yukoners
previously under Many Rivers Counselling and Support Services Society, and
mental health services that are provided now, what is the comparison between:

- (1) the number of staff resident in communities;
- (2) staff visits to communities;
- (3) the number of clients served, by community; and
- (4) the hours of service provided to clients?
- 4. Written Question No. 27 (April 28, 2022)

Mr. Cathers, Member for Lake Laberge

Addressed to the Hon. Ms. McPhee, Minister of Health and Social Services With respect to home care in communities across Yukon:

- (1) what is the number of clients in each community;
- (2) what are the hours of service provided, by community; and
- (3) what is the range of services provided in each community?

- (4) either by station or across Emergency Medical Services as a whole?
- 5. Written Question No. 31 (November 15, 2022)

Ms. Blake, Member for Vuntut Gwitchin

Addressed to the Hon. Ms. McPhee, Minister of Justice

Regarding the substance use health emergency declared by the minister in January 2022 and concerns expressed by inmates at the Whitehorse Correctional Centre in the time since over substance use issues and a lack of supports in the facility, what is:

- (1) the number of overdoses at the Whitehorse Correctional Centre from January 2022 to October 2022;
- (2) the most recent date on which correctional centre staff were trained to administer naloxone by injection and nasal spray;
- (3) the frequency of visits from a Referred Care Clinic physician;
- (4) the number of inmates at the Whitehorse Correctional Centre who are currently prescribed safer supply; and
- (5) the number of inmates at the Whitehorse Correctional Centre who are currently prescribed opioid agonist treatment?
- 6. Written Question No. 33 (November 15, 2022)

Mr. Hassard, Member for Pelly-Nisutlin

Addressed to the Hon. Mr. Pillai, Minister responsible for the Yukon Housing Corporation

With respect to the Safe at Home Society's purchase of the Coast High Country Inn using a combination of federal and territorial funding and the building appraisal and condition assessment the Minister responsible for the Yukon Housing Corporation referenced during Oral Question Period on Thursday, October 27, 2022:

- (1) when was the appraisal commissioned on the building;
- (2) who commissioned the appraisal;
- (3) what were the results of the appraisal;
- (4) when was a building condition assessment undertaken; and
- (5) why were issues related to fire code or zoning not identified in the building assessment?
- 7. Written Question No. 35 (March 13, 2023)

Mr. Cathers, Member for Lake Laberge

Addressed to the Hon. Mr. Mostyn, Minister of Community Services

With respect to Emergency Medical Services coverage, what is the total cost of sending paramedics by air from Whitehorse to substitute for volunteer coverage, and what is the number, broken down by community, of:

- (1) active volunteers;
- (2) hours in 2022 when there was a gap in local coverage by volunteers; and
- (3) calls in 2022 where paramedics from Whitehorse were dispatched by air to provide ambulance coverage?

8. Written Question No. 36 (March 22, 2023)

Ms. Clarke, Member for Porter Creek Centre

Addressed to the Hon. Mr. Mostyn, Minister of Community Services
With respect to the commitment to "Develop and release 1000 new lots in the next five years across the Yukon", enumerating since the commitment was first made on March 22, 2021, how many new lots have been released within each individual community, within each individual local area council region, within

9. Written Question No. 37 (April 17, 2023)

Ms. Van Bibber, Member for Porter Creek North

Addressed to the Hon. Mr. Mostyn, Minister of Community Services What is the total amount budgeted for the Dawson City recreation centre and how much of the funding committed is from the Government of Canada?

each individual subdivision in Whitehorse, and across Yukon?

10. Written Question No. 40 (April 25, 2023)

Ms. White, Leader of the Third Party

Addressed to the Hon. Ms. McPhee, Minister of Health and Social Services With respect to the Yukon Hospital Corporation, how many of the following positions are budgeted for, and how many are vacant, including how many of each are being filled by full time, casual, auxiliary on call, or agency positions:

- (1) licensed practical nurse;
- (2) registered nurse;
- (3) nurse practitioner; and
- (4) health care attendant or similar?

Notice Paper

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Motions other than Government Motions

1. Motion No. 804

Mr. Kent, Member for Copperbelt South

THAT this House urges the Government of Canada to apologize to all Canadian soldiers used as human test agents for chemical weapons experimentation between 1942 and 1945.

2. Motion No. 805

Mr. Cathers, Member for Lake Laberge

THAT this House urges the Minister of Justice to respond to the recommendations of the National Police Federation, entitled *Smart Bail Initiatives* by taking action including:

- (1) committing to implement all seven of the recommendations which involve territorial governments; and
- (2) publicly setting a timeline for the implementation of the recommendations.
- 3. Motion No. 806

Ms. Blake, Member for Vuntut Gwitchin

THAT this House urges the Government of Yukon to acknowledge that grizzly bears are a species of special concern under Canada's *Species at Risk Act*.