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Legislative Assembly of Alberta

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The Sergeant-at-Arms: Order! Order! Mr. Speaker.		

[Preceded by the Sergeant-at-Arms, the Speaker, accompanied by the officers of the Assembly, entered the Chamber and took the chair]

Prayers

The Speaker: Good afternoon and welcome.

Almighty God, author of all wisdom, knowledge, and understanding, we ask Your blessings on all here present. We ask Your guidance in order that truth and justice may prevail in all of our judgments for the benefit of all Albertans. Amen.

Ladies and gentlemen and hon. members, I would now invite Mr. Paul Lorieau to lead us in the singing of our national anthem. Please join us in the language of your choice. At the conclusion of the anthem I would ask that you remain standing.

Hon. Members and Guests:

O Canada, our home and native land! True patriot love in all thy sons command. With glowing hearts we see thee rise, The True North strong and free! From far and wide, O Canada, We stand on guard for thee. God keep our land glorious and free! O Canada, we stand on guard for thee. O Canada, we stand on guard for thee.

Hon. Dr. Lois E. Hole, CM, AOE

The Speaker: Hon. members and ladies and gentlemen, on January 6, 2005, the late the Hon. Dr. Lois E. Hole, CM, AOE, the 15th Lieutenant Governor of Alberta, passed away following a courageous battle with cancer. Her Honour served with grace and dignity as Alberta's Lieutenant Governor from 2000 to 2005.

Her Honour was well known in various local, provincial, and national organizations and was recognized for her contribution to libraries, education, and the arts.

To Mrs. Hole's family and those who knew her I extend the condolences of the Assembly. Members of Her Honour's family are with us today in the Speaker's gallery.

In memory of Her Honour I ask you to join me in a moment of silent prayer and remembrance.

Rest eternal grant unto her, O Lord, and let light perpetual shine upon her. Amen.

Please be seated.

head: Entrance of the Lieutenant Governor

[The Premier, the Clerk, and the Sergeant-at-Arms left the Chamber to attend the Lieutenant Governor]

[The Mace was draped]

The Speaker: Hon. members and ladies and gentlemen, prior to the arrival of His Honour the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor the Royal Canadian Artillery Band will play a brief musical interlude.

The RCA Band, Canada's oldest regular army band, was formed in Quebec City in 1879. It was subsequently stationed in Montreal and Halifax. It has seen service in both world wars and in Korea, and it has travelled across Canada and beyond our borders. Reconstituted in Edmonton in 1997, the band is today under the direction of Captain Brian Greenwood, CD, who is in the Speaker's gallery.

The band will now play a piece written by baroque composer George Frederick Handel, the details of which are in your program.

[The Sergeant-at-Arms knocked on the main doors of the Chamber three times. The Assistant Sergeant-at-Arms opened the doors, and the Sergeant-at-Arms entered]

The Sergeant-at-Arms: Ladies and gentlemen, all rise, please.

Mr. Speaker, His Honour the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor awaits.

The Speaker: Sergeant-at-Arms, admit His Honour the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor.

[A fanfare of trumpets sounded]

[Preceded by the Sergeant-at-Arms, His Honour the Lieutenant Governor of Alberta, Norman L. Kwong, CM, AOE, his party, the Premier, and the Clerk entered the Chamber. His Honour took his place upon the throne]

His Honour: Pray be seated.

The Speaker: May it please Your Honour, the Legislative Assembly has elected me as their Speaker, though I am but little able to fulfill the important duties thus assigned to me. If in the performance of those duties I should at any time fall into error, I pray that the fault may be imputed to me and not the Assembly, whose servant I am and who through me, the better to enable them to discharge their duties to the Queen and province, humbly claim all their undoubted rights and privileges, especially that they may have freedom of speech in their debates, access to your person at all seasonable times, and that their proceedings may receive from you the most favourable construction.

Mr. Stevens (Provincial Secretary): Mr. Speaker, I am commanded by His Honour the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor to declare to you that he freely confides in the duty and attachment of this Assembly to Her Majesty's person and government, and not doubting that the proceedings will be conducted with wisdom, temperance, and prudence, he grants and upon all occasions will recognize and allow the Assembly's constitutional privileges.

I am commanded also to assure you that the Assembly shall have ready access to His Honour upon all seasonable occasions and that all proceedings as well as your words and actions will constantly receive from him the most favourable construction.

head: Speech from the Throne

His Honour: Fellow Albertans, it is my privilege to welcome you to the First Session of the 26th Alberta Legislature.

The Next Alberta

It is my great honour to deliver the Speech from the Throne as it is my great honour to serve as this province's Lieutenant Governor. [applause] In this role I have big shoes to fill, or perhaps I should say big rubber boots. My predecessor, the late the Honourable Lois Hole, was much beloved by Albertans. She brought warmth, grace, kindness, and compassion to this office. She personified the very best qualities of this province. I had the honour and privilege of meeting Bill and Valerie and Jim and Marcia this afternoon and know that their mother's qualities are carried on in the family.

All of us here can do no less than endeavour to follow Mrs. Hole's example. We must strive to fulfill the duties of our offices with diligence and dignity. We must respect each other even when we disagree. Above all, we must always remember the people we serve and act in ways that will bring honour to them and this province, as she did.

This year the government will establish lasting tributes to Lois Hole. Later on I will announce two initiatives in recognition of Mrs. Hole's dedication to libraries and learning. The government will also celebrate the late Lieutenant Governor's first love, gardening, with the creation of a memorial garden on the grounds of the Alberta Legislature. There will be a seating area where visitors can enjoy the beauty of the garden and the grounds. The garden will be named after Lois Hole and will include a cairn with a plaque featuring her portrait and biographical highlights of her life and legacy.

During this centennial year we will also remember the legacies of the many other great Albertans who came before us, and we will celebrate the wonderful province they helped to build.

The Centennial: A Century of Achievement

It's amazing to think of how far Alberta has come from its roots 100 years ago. Back in 1905 Alberta's population was only 185,000, much smaller than that of either Saskatchewan or Manitoba, and the people were outnumbered by the livestock. There were nearly a quarter million horses and a million cattle in Alberta at that time.

A look back at this province's first Speech from the Throne, delivered by Lieutenant Governor George Bulyea in the First Legislature at McKay Avenue school, shows some surprising similarities with the business that concerns us today. Mr. Bulyea noted, as I also will, the importance of agriculture to the province. He spoke about the pressures a rapidly growing population puts on infrastructure, pressures we continue to face today. Back in 1905 Alberta was developing a telephone system, while 2005 will see the completion of the SuperNet.

The people who heard Lieutenant Governor Bulyea's words couldn't have known all the struggles they would face. They didn't know how difficult it would be to build the roads, bridges, and railroad tracks that would connect this province to the rest of the country. They didn't know that fires, floods, and droughts were on their way. They didn't know that many of their sons and daughters would give their lives building this province and this country and defending it overseas.

What they did know was that theirs was a land blessed with beauty and natural resources. They knew they would have to work hard to turn the land's promise into prosperity. They knew that with provincehood came great responsibility. It was a responsibility they willingly accepted, and together they built a strong, vibrant province.

Today all Albertans owe a debt of gratitude to those who came before us: to the aboriginal people, whose deep connection to this land spans generations and centuries; to our seniors, who laid the foundations for the communities that took root all across this province and made it home; to the settlers, who came from all over the world to make a fresh start here, often bringing nothing more with them than dreams and determination; to those who fought for this nation in armed conflicts; and to everyone who had faith in this province and what it could become. The fruits of their labours are all around us.

Alberta now enters its second century with a strong economy, no debt, nation-leading rates of growth and employment, a high standard of living, and an enviable quality of life. The credit for all these achievements rests with Albertans themselves, and they are indeed achievements worth celebrating in this centennial year.

Albertans will mark the centennial in ways that are as grand and unique as Alberta itself. Among the highlights of the province's centennial celebrations will be a visit from Her Majesty the Queen and His Royal Highness the Duke of Edinburgh this spring.

In honour of the centennial a new graduate scholarship and fellowship program will be established. Beginning in the next school year 200 students enrolled in full-time masters programs in Alberta will each receive a \$9,300 scholarship, and 100 students enrolled in full-time PhD programs will each receive a \$10,500 fellowship. A total of 300 students will receive nearly \$3 million through this program, a number that will grow with the number of graduate students in Alberta.

Another way Alberta will mark its centennial is by presenting centennial medallions to all schoolchildren and to Albertans who are 100 years or older.

As Albertans celebrate the province's past, they will also look ahead with enthusiasm to the next Alberta, the Alberta our children and grandchildren will inherit. My government's goal is to make sure that the next Alberta is even better than the Alberta of today.

The Next Alberta Will Be a Leader in Learning

That's why the next Alberta will continue to be a leader in learning. The children of Alberta already benefit from one of the best education systems in the world. Its success is due to dedicated students, outstanding teachers, and a high-quality curriculum. Alberta will continue to invest in its children's futures by supporting initiatives that build on the strong foundation of the kindergarten through grade 12 system and enhance learning opportunities for students across the province.

Previous efforts to strengthen the education system are already showing results: class sizes are coming down and will meet the Learning Commission guidelines two years ahead of schedule, and our students continue to outperform their peers on national and international tests.

Now it's time to make sure that the province's postsecondary education system is able to meet the needs of the next Alberta. A strong postsecondary education system is crucial for continued economic diversification, growth, and prosperity as well as personal fulfillment. Strengthening the postsecondary learning system is the government's top priority during this centennial year.

The government is taking immediate action to improve access to advanced education. Over the next three years 15,000 new spaces will be added to the postsecondary system. In six years that will double to 30,000 new spaces. By 2020 a total of 60,000 new spaces will be created. Our goal with this bold expansion plan is to move Albertans to the highest rate of postsecondary education in the country.

Particular attention will be paid to increasing training opportunities in areas experiencing skills shortages. Government will invest in new apprenticeship certification programs. Investment will also be directed to new apprenticeship training initiatives, particularly for aboriginal people. It will bring opportunities closer to the learner by exploring increased use of alternate delivery training mechanisms such as distance learning and mobile delivery to rural communities.

This government will also make advanced education more affordable. The government will pay the full cost of tuition increases at Alberta's public postsecondary learning institutions for the 2005-06 academic year. It will also create a new policy, the most innovative, entrepreneurial, and affordable in the country, to ensure that tuition and schooling costs aren't a barrier to learning in Alberta.

The first legislation introduced during this session will call for a

significant new investment in the postsecondary learning system. Bill 1, the Access to the Future Act, aligns government's fiscal strategy with its 20-year strategic plan. It will lay the groundwork for investments that will allow Alberta to continue to prosper in the increasingly globalized, knowledge-based economy.

The signature piece of this act will allow for the creation of a \$3 billion endowment fund to sustain Alberta's postsecondary education system into the future. The access to the future fund will support innovation and excellence in postsecondary education. For example, it will provide matching contributions to help create a new centre for Chinese studies at the University of Alberta. This landmark institute will promote greater understanding of the culture, language, and history of one of the world's largest economies and a country with which this province has long enjoyed a special relationship.

The new fund will also support the development of an Alberta-wide digital library that will allow all students and faculty, wherever they are located in the province, to access the resources and knowledge currently held in the individual libraries of our postsecondary institutions. To be named the Lois Hole digital library, this leading-edge initiative is centred on the work already under way at the University of Calgary. The government will also create the Lois Hole humanities and social sciences scholarship. Beginning in the next academic year four students will each receive a \$5,000 scholarship toward his or her postsecondary studies.

This government is committed to removing obstacles from the path of any Albertan who wants to get an education, whether it's from a university, college, or technical institution, and it will show its commitment through its actions.

The Next Alberta Will Have a Diverse and Growing Economy

Having an educated workforce is key to ensuring continued prosperity in the next Alberta. We know that a strong economy is not an end unto itself; rather, it is the means to achieve the things we want as a society such as strong health and education systems and supports for those who are vulnerable. This government remains committed to the fiscal principles that have served the province so well: balanced budgets, no debt, and low taxes. These principles have made Alberta the economic leader of the nation. We're at the head of the pack, and we're staying there.

Growth brings its own challenges, and among them are tremendous pressures on infrastructure. This government will maintain one of the most aggressive infrastructure programs in Canada to make sure Albertans have the roads, schools, hospitals, and facilities they need.

Work will begin this year on the southeast portion of the Edmonton ring road thanks to a public/private partnership that will see the road's completion in just two and a half years. Government will explore continued use of this innovative form of financing for large capital projects as it aims to complete the ring roads around Edmonton and Calgary within the next decade.

Secondary highways are also critical to the province's continued economic growth. These roads are vital links to and between rural communities, and many are long overdue for improvements. This year the government will increase its investment in this area to rehabilitate and upgrade more provincial highways throughout the province.

Our government will work with municipal partners by allocating the \$3 billion that has been committed to address municipal infrastructure needs beginning in Budget 2005.

Now that the province's debt has been paid off, the government

will begin inflation-proofing the Alberta heritage savings trust fund to ensure that it is sustained as a legacy for future generations.

We will take steps to protect consumers by strengthening legislation on collection practices, credit reporting, public auctions, and loan brokering. We will also introduce standardized, plain language contracts for residential natural gas and electricity consumers.

Alberta will continue to implement its water for life strategy this year, including developing a provincial plan for water conservation in partnership with the Alberta Water Council.

We will increase consultation with aboriginal people on resource development and land access issues to help them participate fully in the growing economy.

This government will continue to stand by agricultural producers, who face the future with renewed optimism. The economic hardships of recent years have prompted improvements to the agriculture sector, including increased domestic processing capacity and the expansion of value-added products, which will make the industry more competitive than ever.

We will work to strengthen this vital sector by continuing to advocate for marketing choice for wheat and barley. The global marketplace is demanding that we move to a more competitive marketing system. Alberta will push for a new business model for the Canadian Wheat Board, one with market choice, so that Alberta farmers can be more competitive in the value-added market.

Vibrant rural communities are vital to this province. That's why this government will act on the recommendations of the rural development strategy to sustain and strengthen the rural economy.

Much as the land sustains the agriculture industry, it also sustains other economic mainstays such as energy, forestry, and tourism. Wise land management is crucial to ensure the sustainability of these sectors and continued prosperity for Albertans. That's why this government will develop a land-use management framework supported by effective resource and environmental policies and shared, integrated information systems. It will also continue to leverage energy resources to their full value.

The government will explore ways for the economy to be more knowledge based by adding value to primary resource industries and expanding manufacturing and business services.

Taking a co-ordinated approach will help protect the province's environment and ensure that all the province's resources are wisely managed with their benefits maximized for future generations.

The Next Alberta Will Be the Healthiest Province in Canada

Having a strong economy gives Alberta the ability to invest in areas like health care, but Albertans and indeed all Canadians know that if simply adding money to the system were enough, the challenges in health care would have been resolved long ago. The days of endlessly studying and debating health care reform are over, and the time for action is here. That's why Albertans will pioneer a new way of health care.

Alberta's third way for health care is about making sure Albertans get the best health care services, what they need and when they need it, at a price taxpayers can afford. We're going to get on with the things that need to be done such as developing systems to improve wait-list management and allowing electronic referrals between family physicians and specialists. We'll make whatever legislative changes are needed to allow innovation to occur throughout the health system.

We'll keep looking at new ideas. In May Alberta will host an international symposium to examine best practices in health care

delivery. The symposium will give Albertans an opportunity to examine a range of solutions that could benefit our province.

And we'll take steps to make Albertans the healthiest people in the world because even the best medical treatments aren't as good as staying healthy in the first place. The government will work with community partners to find new ways of encouraging Albertans to make health and wellness part of their daily lives. We will examine a range of wellness strategies promoting healthy outcomes for all Albertans.

The government will introduce daily physical activity in schools for grades 1 through 9 beginning this fall. It will also introduce a wellness initiative starting at the kindergarten level beginning in 2006 to help foster a lifelong commitment to healthy and active living in students.

We will take steps to manage future health risks. The government will develop a plan to reduce the unacceptably high number of deaths and injuries on Alberta's streets and highways. We will invest in water infrastructure to provide a safe, clean water supply, and we will complete an emergency response plan for communicable disease emergencies.

All Albertans Will Share in the Alberta Advantage

Albertans are caring, compassionate people who want every member of this province to have the opportunity to share in the Alberta advantage both today and in the next Alberta. This means making sure that Albertans are protected in their workplaces and that they feel safe and secure in their communities.

This year the government will review employment standards to make sure that the laws dealing with overtime, vacation, hours of work, and other workplace standards are current and relevant. It will raise the minimum wage to \$7 per hour, a rate that reflects the strength of Alberta's economy. Albertans are being consulted about whether this increase should be phased in or introduced all at once. We will work closely with affected employers to see that the impact on business is minimized.

Following the review of the assured income for the severely handicapped program, government will increase financial benefits for program recipients. Details of these changes will be announced during this legislative session.

This spring we will implement programs to provide dental and optical assistance to seniors and help cover annual increases in the education portion of their property taxes.

We will also review the Dependent Adults Act and revise accommodation standards for long-term care and seniors' housing.

Government will update the Police Act to enhance civilian oversight of police services. The province will continue to be the leading voice in pushing the federal government for conditional sentencing reform. Our position on this issue is very clear: in order to maintain the public's confidence in the justice system, those convicted of serious offences must face real jail time.

We will fight to protect our children from crimes such as sexual exploitation. The government will introduce an education campaign to help prevent sexual exploitation of young people through Internet luring, child pornography, and child prostitution.

Government will strive to reduce family violence through effective interventions, including treatment, through the province's specialized domestic violence courts. Increased emphasis will be placed on training police and Crown prosecutors to investigate and prosecute family violence cases more effectively.

The system of parent link centres will be expanded, and Alberta

will become the first province in Canada to introduce a child care worker accreditation program.

We will also continue to fulfill our commitment to children through Alberta's Promise and encourage all sectors of our communities to contribute their time, volunteer efforts, and finances to benefit young people.

These initiatives and others will help Albertans who are vulnerable receive the supports they need to participate fully in the social, economic, and cultural life of the province.

The Next Alberta Will Be a Leader in Canada and the World

In these past hundred years Alberta has grown from humble roots. It's gone from being a long shot on the Canadian prairie to becoming a magnet for modern-day pioneers from all around the world. It's gone from being a rough-edged frontier to offering among the best qualities of life of any province in Canada, with world-class museums and libraries, breathtaking parks and recreational opportunities, and a vibrant arts and cultural scene. It's gone from being the new kid at the Canadian family's table to playing a major role on the national stage, and Albertans are ready to play an even bigger role in Canada because, as this province's 100-year history illustrates so unmistakably, Albertans have what it takes to be leaders.

Like those who were faced with the task of building this province back in 1905, Albertans today cannot know what challenges lie ahead. We know only that we will meet them, as Albertans have always done, with courage, innovation, and determination. We live in a land rich in blessings, and like those who came before us, we are willing to work hard to make it even better for those who will follow us.

This centennial year people across Alberta will celebrate the amazing province we call home, and from this firm foundation we will look ahead to the prospect of building something even greater: the next Alberta.

Thank you, ladies and gentlemen, and may God bless you all. God bless Alberta.

God bless Canada.

God save the Queen.

The Speaker: Thank you, Your Honour.

Please remain standing, ladies and gentlemen. I'd now invite Mr. Paul Lorieau to lead us in the singing of *God Save The Queen*. Please remain standing at the conclusion.

Hon. Members and Guests:

God save our gracious Queen, long live our noble Queen, God save The Queen! Send her victorious, happy and glorious, long to reign over us: God save The Queen!

The Sergeant-at-Arms: Order!

[Preceded by the Sergeant-at-Arms, His Honour, his party, and the Premier left the Chamber as a fanfare of trumpets sounded]

The Speaker: Please be seated.

[The Mace was uncovered]

[The Premier returned to the Chamber]

head: Introduction of Bills

The Speaker: The hon. the Premier.

Bill 1 Access to the Future Act

Mr. Klein: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. As His Honour the Lieutenant Governor so aptly pointed out, this year Alberta celebrates the accomplishments of its past with the 100th anniversary of this province. It is most appropriate in this Alberta centennial year that the signature bill for the first legislative session of Alberta's second century focuses on postsecondary education. In the very first sitting of the Alberta Legislature 100 years ago, the government of the day passed a bill called the University bill. That bill helped set the stage for the rich heritage of higher learning in Alberta today.

In that same spirit today I request leave to introduce Bill 1, the Access to the Future Act. This being a money bill, His Honour the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor, having been informed of the contents of this bill, recommends the same to this Assembly.

Mr. Speaker, a hundred years ago Albertans knew that there is no better way to secure the future than by investing in higher learning. The Albertans of 2005 know the same to be true today.

Bill 1 lays out a solid and comprehensive plan for taking Alberta's advanced education system to a new level of excellence. It confirms this government's commitment to an affordable, accessible, and high-quality postsecondary education. I've said on many occasions in recent months that this government doesn't want Albertans' young people to have to go elsewhere for a postsecondary education. We don't want any students turned away because they can't afford the cost of tuition. We want to ensure that Alberta has the best advanced education system in the country. Mr. Speaker, that's exactly what Bill 1 will help us achieve. It's about investing in this province's future, it's about ensuring that all Albertans have access to educational opportunities, and it's about securing a bright and promising future for Alberta's children and grandchildren.

Therefore, it is my honour and my privilege today to introduce Bill 1, the Access to the Future Act.

[Motion carried; Bill 1 read a first time]

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Tablings

The Speaker: I have the honour to table a copy of the speech graciously given by His Honour the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor.

Certificates of Election

The Clerk: Mr. Speaker, I've received from the Chief Electoral Officer of Alberta pursuant to the Election Act two reports containing results of the general election conducted on the 22nd day of November 2004. The first report states that an election was conducted in the following electoral divisions, and the said report further shows that the following members were duly elected.

[The Clerk read the election returns]

The Clerk: Mr. Speaker, the second report received from the Chief Electoral Officer pursuant to section 149 of the Election Act contains the results of the general election conducted on the 22nd day of November 2004 for the electoral division of Edmonton-Castle Downs, and the said report declares the member duly elected as of January 24, 2005, in Edmonton-Castle Downs: Thomas Lukaszuk. head:

Motions

Mr. Klein: Mr. Speaker, I move that the speech of His Honour the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor to this Assembly be taken into consideration Thursday, March 3.

[Motion carried]

The Speaker: The hon. Government House Leader.

Mr. Hancock: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I move that pursuant to Standing Order 49(1) and 49(2) the standing committees and the special standing committee for the present session of the Legislative Assembly be appointed for the following purposes:

- (1) Alberta Heritage Savings Trust Fund,
- (2) Legislative Offices,
- (3) Members' Services,
- (4) Private Bills,
- (5) Privileges and Elections, Standing Orders and Printing, and
- (6) Public Accounts.

[Motion carried]

Mr. Hancock: Mr. Speaker, I would move that the following members be appointed to the Assembly's five standing committees and the special standing committee:

- Alberta Heritage Savings Trust Fund: Mr. Liepert, chair; Mr. Rogers, deputy chair; Mr. Cao; Mr. Goudreau; Mr. MacDonald; Mrs. Mather; Mr. McFarland; Mr. Pham; and Mr. Snelgrove.
- (2) Legislative Offices: Mrs. Tarchuk, chair; Mr. Ducharme, deputy chair; Ms Blakeman; Mr. Flaherty; Mr. Griffiths; Mr. Lougheed; Mr. Magnus; Mr. Marz; Dr. Pannu; Mr. Rodney; and Mr. Strang.
- (3) Members' Services: Mr. Kowalski, chair; Mr. Ducharme, deputy chair; Mrs. Ady; Mr. Backs; Mr. Horner; Mrs. Jablonski; Mr. Knight; Mr. Martin; Mr. McFarland; Mr. Shariff; and Mr. Taylor.
- (4) Private Bills: Dr. Brown, chair; Mr. Liepert, deputy chair; Mr. Agnihotri; Ms DeLong; Mr. Eggen, Mr. Elsalhy; Mr. Groeneveld; Mr. Johnson; Mr. Johnston; Mr. Lindsay; Mr. Lukaszuk; Mr. Mitzel; Dr. Morton; Mr. Oberle; Mr. Pham; Mr. Prins; Mr. Rodney; Mr. Shariff; Dr. Swann; Mr. Tougas; and Mr. VanderBurg.
- (5) Privileges and Elections, Standing Orders and Printing: Ms Haley, chair; Mr. Cao, deputy chair; Rev. Abbott; Mr. Amery; Ms Blakeman; Mr. Danyluk; Ms DeLong; Mr. Flaherty; Mr. Groeneveld; Mr. Herard; Mr. Johnson; Mr. Knight; Mr. Liepert; Mr. Lougheed; Mr. Lukaszuk; Mr. MacDonald; Mr. Marz; Mr. Mitzel; Dr. Pannu; Ms Pastoor; and Mr. Zwozdesky.
- (6) Public Accounts: Mr. MacDonald, chair; Mr. VanderBurg, deputy chair; Rev. Abbott; Ms Blakeman; Mr. Bonko; Mr. Chase; Mr. Danyluk; Mr. Eggen; Mr. Griffiths; Mr. Johnston; Mr. Lindsay; Dr. Morton; Mr. Oberle; Mr. Prins; Mr. Rodney; Mr. Rogers; and Mr. Webber.

[Motion carried]

Mr. Hancock: Mr. Speaker, I move that the Assembly stand adjourned until tomorrow at 1:30 p.m.

[Motion carried; at 3:57 p.m. the Assembly adjourned to Thursday at 1:30 p.m.]