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Province of New Brunswick

Hon. Herménégilde Chiasson Lieutenant-Governor

Speaker: Hon. Roy Boudreau

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Third Session of the 56th Legislative Assembly Fredericton, New Brunswick

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10 o'clock a.m.

Prayers.

Due to the unavoidable absence of Mr. Speaker, Mr. Fraser, the Deputy Speaker, took the chair as Acting Speaker.

The Deputy Speaker recognized this date as the 50th anniversary of the Escuminac disaster.

The House observed a minute of silence to honour the memory of the thirty-five men from the Baie Ste-Anne and Escuminac areas who lost their lives and whose names were read as follows: John Chapman, Adrien Chiasson, Albert Chiasson, Alphonse Chiasson, Robert Chiasson, William Chiasson, Fraser Cooke, Edgar Daigle, Charles Gauvin, Arthur Kelly, Hector Kelly, Hugh Kelly, Clifford Kingston, Windsor Kingston, Alfred McLenaghan, George McLeod, Amon Manuel, William Manuel, Alonzo Martin, André Martin, Rémi Martin, Allan Mills, Andrew Mills, Jeffrey Richard, Jean-Louis Richard, Lionel Richard, Raphaël Robichaud, Victor Robichaud, Léo Roy, Harold Taylor, Cunard Williston, Eric Williston, Haley Williston, Haynes Williston, and Oswald Williston.

Mr. MacDonald, Member for York North, laid upon the table of the House a petition on behalf of residents of Mactaquac and surrounding communities opposing the closure of the Mactaquac Provincial Park during the winter months and urging the government to reconsider the decision or to seek alternative sources of revenue. (Petition 111)

Mr. Alward requested the unanimous consent of the House to extend Oral Questions by 15 minutes, and unanimous consent was denied.

Following Oral Questions, Mr. Holder rose on a point of order and submitted that Hon. Mr. Keir had questioned the truthfulness of Mr. Fitch. The Deputy Speaker took the matter under advisement.

Mr. Williams gave Notice of Motion 72 that on Thursday, June 25, 2009, he would move the following resolution, seconded by Mr. Alward:

That an address be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor praying that he cause to be laid upon the table of the House all copies of contracts tendered and untendered and any amendments made to those contracts, all copies of invoices and

payments made and performance reports since April 1, 2007, between the Province of New Brunswick and Accenture Inc.

Hon. Mr. Murphy, Government House Leader, announced that following closing remarks, the Royal Assent Ceremony would take place.

At 11.19 o'clock a.m., the Deputy Speaker declared a recess and left the chair.

11.33 o'clock a.m.

Mr. Fraser, the Deputy Speaker resumed the chair.

His Honour, the Lieutenant-Governor, was announced, and having been bidden to enter, took his seat in the chair upon the Throne.

Mr. Fraser, the Deputy Speaker addressed His Honour as follows:

May It Please Your Honour:

The Legislative Assembly of the Province of New Brunswick has passed several Bills at the present sittings of the Legislature to which, in the name and on behalf of the said Legislative Assembly, I respectfully request Your Honour's assent.

The Clerk Assistant then read the titles of the Bills as follows:

- Bill 27, An Act to Amend the Gasoline and Motive Fuel Tax Act.
- Bill 28, Limitation of Actions Act.
- Bill 29, An Act Respecting the New Brunswick College of Dental Hygienists.
- Bill 34, An Act to Provide for the Amalgamation of the Trustees of Certain Presbyterian Churches in Saint John, New Brunswick.
- Bill 35, An Act to Amend the Nursing Homes Act.
- Bill 42, An Act Respecting The Roman Catholic Bishop of Saint John.
- Bill 44, An Act to Amend the Small Business Investor Tax Credit Act.
- Bill 45, An Act to Amend the Real Property Tax Act.
- Bill 46, An Act to Amend the New Brunswick Income Tax Act.
- Bill 48, An Act to Amend the Tobacco Sales Act.
- Bill 51, An Act Respecting Respiratory Therapists.
- Bill 52, An Act to Amend the Municipalities Act.
- Bill 55, An Act to Amend the Teachers' Pension Act.
- Bill 56, An Act to Amend the Civil Service Act.
- Bill 57, An Act to Amend the Judicature Act.
- Bill 58, An Act to Amend the Crown Lands and Forests Act.
- Bill 59, Recording of Evidence Act.

- Bill 62, An Act to Amend the Agricultural Development Act.
- Bill 63, An Act to Amend An Act Respecting the Law Society of New Brunswick.
- Bill 64, An Act to Incorporate Les Religieux de Sainte-Croix d'Acadie.
- Bill 65, An Act to Amend the Pension Plan for Employees of the City of Moncton Act.
- Bill 66, An Act to Repeal the Small Claims Act.
- Bill 67, An Act to Amend the Provincial Offences Procedure Act.
- Bill 68, An Act to Amend the Order of New Brunswick Act.
- Bill 69, Automated Defibrillator Act.
- Bill 70, An Act to Amend the Motor Vehicle Act.
- Bill 71, An Act to Amend the Highway Act.
- Bill 72, An Act to Amend the Education Act.
- Bill 73, An Act to Amend the Electricity Act.
- Bill 75, New Brunswick Building Code Act.
- Bill 76, An Act to Amend the Mining Act.
- Bill 77, An Act Respecting the Agricultural Development Board, the New Brunswick Fisheries and Aquaculture Development Board and the Transfer of Responsibility for Financial Assistance Programs.
- Bill 78, An Act to Amend the Credit Unions Act.
- Bill 79. An Act to Amend the Securities Act.
- Bill 80, An Act to Amend the Public Service Labour Relations Act.
- Bill 81, Condominium Property Act.
- Bill 82, An Act to Amend the Clean Environment Act.
- Bill 83, Loan Act 2009.
- Bill 84, An Act to Amend An Act Respecting the New Brunswick Medical Society and the College of Physicians and Surgeons of New Brunswick.
- Bill 85, An Act to Amend the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act.
- Bill 87, Pay Equity Act, 2009.
- Bill 88, Personal Health Information Privacy and Access Act.
- Bill 89, Right to Information and Protection of Privacy Act.
- Bill 90, Firefighters' Compensation Act.
- Bill 91, Safer Communities and Neighbourhoods Act.
- Bill 92, An Act to Amend the Gaming Control Act.
- Bill 93, An Act to Amend the Medical Services Payment Act.
- Bill 94, An Act Respecting Expenditure Restraint.

His Honour signified His Assent as follows:

It is the Queen's wish. La reine le veut.

To these Bills, His Honour's assent was announced by the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly in the following words: In Her Majesty's name, His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor assents to these Bills, enacting the same and ordering them to be enrolled.

The Deputy Speaker then addressed His Honour as follows:

May It Please Your Honour:

The Legislative Assembly having devoted itself with unremitting diligence to the consideration of the several subjects referred to in the speech His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor was pleased to deliver at the opening of the session, and to other matters of interest to the people of the province, humbly begs to present for your Honour's acceptance a Bill intituled *Appropriations Act* 2009-2010. (Bill 95)

His Honour replied:

It is the Queen's wish. La reine le veut.

To this Bill, His Honour's assent was announced by the Clerk in the following words:

His Honour thanks Her Majesty's loyal and dutiful subjects, accepts their benevolence and assents to this Bill.

His Honour was pleased to deliver the following message:

In the few moments that I have left, I would like to thank you very much for all that we have done together during these years because, as you know, this is probably the last time that I will be addressing you from this chair.

I have really appreciated your joviality and especially your generosity toward me. Thank you also for the work you do; it is absolutely admirable.

Whether you sit on this side of the room or on that side of the room, we all have one single boss and that is the population of this province. We all want to make it prosperous, we all want to inspire it, and, being part of that population, I am sure that we also want to see the rewards that we are going to reap. This is the season for sowing, and this is a great time to have confidence. Of course, these are not the best times in terms of economics, and I am sure that you will be going through some turmoil in the coming weeks, months, and maybe years. However, I am sure that we will prevail, and this is what counts.

I wish you an excellent vacation. I know you will not be taking a very long vacation, but I hope that the time you are able to take off will be very enjoyable.

As you know, today is the last week of class in the public schools of the province. It is also the last week of Parliament in Ottawa, so I think there is an air of vacation floating over us. Hopefully, we are going to have some time to spend in terms of vacation. I wish you all a great time, not only this summer but in your careers, and I am sure we are going to meet again.

Thank you very much, and Godspeed.

His Honour then retired

Mr. Fraser, the Deputy Speaker resumed the chair. And then, 12.28 o'clock p.m., the House adjourned.

The following documents, having been deposited with the Clerk of the House, were deemed laid upon the table of the House, pursuant to Standing Rule 39:

Response to Petitions No. 67, 70 and 81

June 18, 2009