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Friday, May 30, 2025

*9 o'clock a.m.*

Prayers.

Hon. Ms. Thériault welcomed to the House Serge Cormier, Member of Parliament for Acadie—Bathurst.

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Ms. M. Johnson rose on a point of order and submitted that Hon. Ms. C. Johnson used unparliamentary language when she used the term “data my ass”. Hon. Mr. McKee spoke on the point of order. Madam Speaker ruled the point well taken and requested that Hon. Ms. C. Johnson withdraw the remarks, which she did.

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Ms. M. Johnson rose on a point of order and submitted that Hon. Mr. McKee was making a Statement of Congratulation during Statements by Ministers. Madam Speaker ruled the point not well taken.

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Ms. Mitton gave Notice of Motion 39 that on Thursday, June 5, 2025, she would move the following resolution, seconded by Mr. Coon:

WHEREAS the widespread and systemic use of non-disclosure agreements (NDAs) has been found to suppress information about unlawful activities, including but not limited to sexual misconduct, harassment and discrimination;

WHEREAS NDAs are routinely used to cover up abuse in schools, youth clubs, universities, organizations, public and private sector workplaces, and religious institutions, where revealing the details of the settlement may result in reputational risk or criminal charges against the perpetrator;

WHEREAS victims and survivors of harassment and discrimination are frequently compelled to sign NDAs, which can prevent them from reporting or discussing their concerns with family, friends, co-workers, or therapists;

WHEREAS the use of NDAs undermines the principles of transparency and accountability that are fundamental to a just society;

WHEREAS Ontario, Manitoba, Nova Scotia, British Columbia, Saskatchewan, and Prince Edward Island have introduced legislation restricting or banning the use of NDAs in cases of sexual misconduct, harassment and discrimination, demonstrating a growing recognition of their detrimental effects;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the Legislative Assembly urge the government to enact legislation to prohibit the use of NDAs that serve to conceal details and evidence of harassment, discrimination, and other forms of misconduct.

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Ms. Conroy gave Notice of Motion 40 that on Thursday, June 5, 2025, she would move the following resolution, seconded by Mr. Austin:

WHEREAS two out of every three patients experiencing an acute heart attack meet eligibility for prehospital thrombolytics;

WHEREAS nearly 2,500 New Brunswick residents will be hospitalized each year following a heart attack;

WHEREAS thrombolytics administered within one hour of symptom onset can abort up to 30% of heart attacks;

WHEREAS New Brunswick paramedics are among the highest educated in the country;

WHEREAS paramedics in New Brunswick already have the foundational education to give thrombolytics and the regulator authorizes paramedics to use them but the government of New Brunswick does not;

WHEREAS paramedics in British Columbia, Saskatchewan, Manitoba, Ontario, Nova Scotia, and Prince Edward Island administer prehospital thrombolytics;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the Legislative Assembly of New Brunswick urge the government to make the necessary policy changes to allow Advanced Care Paramedics to administer thrombolytics.

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Hon. Mr. McKee, Acting Government House Leader, announced that it was the intention of government that Bills 4, 22, 24, 28 and 30 be called for second reading until 12 p.m.; at which time the House would adjourn.

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Debate resumed on the adjourned debate on the motion that Bill 4, *An Act Respecting Petroleum Products Pricing*, be now read a second time.

And after some time, Madam Speaker interrupted proceedings and announced that the hour of adjournment had arrived.

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Mr. J. LeBlanc requested the unanimous consent of the House to proceed with the vote on the motion for second reading of Bill 4 forthwith, and unanimous consent was denied.

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And then, 12.01 p.m., the House adjourned.

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

Response to Petition 10

May 29, 2025