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TUESDAY, 14 NOVEMBER 2017

Hon. Mr. Speaker took the Chair and welcomed all Hon. Members, staff of the Legislative Assembly and guests to the official opening of the 3rd Session of the 65th General Assembly.

Hon. Mr. Speaker advised the House that the Hon. Doug Currie delivered a duly executed declaration of resignation as a Member of the Legislative Assembly for District 11, Charlottetown-Parkdale, effective October 19, 2017.

He then indicated that he had received a communication from Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor and asked the Clerk to read the letter as follows:

Government House
Charlottetown
Prince Edward Island
October 27, 2017

Hon. Francis (Buck) Watts, MLA
Speaker of the Legislative Assembly
Province House, Charlottetown
Prince Edward Island

Mr. Speaker:

I am directed by Her Honour, the Honourable Antoinette Perry, Lieutenant Governor of Prince Edward Island, to inform you that on Tuesday, November 14th, 2017 at 2:00 in the afternoon, she will proceed to the Legislative Assembly to open the 3rd Session of the 65th General Assembly.

I have the honour to be,
Your obedient servant

(sgd.) Cindy Cheverie
Private Secretary

On Motion of the Hon. Premier, seconded by the Hon. Leader of the Opposition,

RESOLVED that the following students be appointed as Pages for this Session of the Legislative Assembly:

Bailey Clark, Kensington Intermediate Senior High School
Robin Dann, Montague Regional High School
Esther Puiras, Bluefield High School
Julia Ezeard, Grace Christian School
Jacob MacDonald, Morell Regional High School
Kristi Stewart, Colonel Gray High School
Naomi Milner, Charlottetown Rural High School
Rilind Musliu, Three Oaks Senior High School
Matteo LeClair, École Francois-Buote

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Olivia Batten, Westisle Composite High School
Logan Rose, Souris Regional High School

Hon. Premier informed the House that Warrant Officer J. A. McDonald retired as Sergeant-at-Arms of the House effective September 29, 2017.

On Motion of the Hon. Premier, seconded by the Hon. Leader of the Opposition,

RESOLVED that Mr. Brian D. Weldon of Charlottetown be appointed Sergeant-at-Arms of the Legislative Assembly of Prince Edward Island effective November 14, 2017.

On Motion of the Hon. Premier, seconded by the Hon. Leader of the Opposition,

RESOLVED that Ms. Amy Unwin of Cherry Valley be appointed Assistant Sergeant-at-Arms of the Legislative Assembly of Prince Edward Island effective November 14, 2017.

Hon. Premier informed the House that Ms. Marian Johnson, Clerk Assistant and Clerk of Committees has assumed responsibilities as Chief Electoral Officer (Acting) for Prince Edward Island, and indicated her intention to retire from the service of House effective December 31, 2017.

On Motion of the Hon. Premier, seconded by the Hon. Leader of the Opposition,

RESOLVED that Ms. Emily Doiron of Charlottetown be appointed as Clerk Assistant (Journals, Committees and House Operations) and that Mr. Ryan Reddin of Millvale be appointed as Clerk Assistant (Research and Committees).

Hon. Mr. Speaker then made reference to the communication read earlier by the Clerk and indicated that it was his intention to leave the Chair in anticipation of Her Honour's arrival.

The Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod, having escorted Her Honour the Lieutenant-Governor to the Chamber Doors, knocked three times on the door with the Black Rod and requested, on behalf of Her Honour, permission to enter the Assembly Chamber. Permission having been granted, Her Honour, the Lieutenant-Governor assumed the Chair, and after the singing of O Canada (led Peter Bevan-Baker, Leader of the Third Party), followed by a prayer from Alma MacDougall on behalf of the Mi'qmaq Confederacy of Prince Edward Island, took her seat on the Throne and was pleased to open the Third Session of the 65th General Assembly with the following Speech:

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The Speech being ended, Her Honour was pleased to retire.

Hon. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

ORDERED, that Hon. Premier have leave to introduce a Bill to be intituled “An Act to celebrate Prince Edward Island small businesses and recognize the entrepreneurial spirit, risk-taking, and confidence exhibited by business leaders and workers in communities throughout our province.”

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Hon. Mr. Speaker reported that he had received copies of Her Honour's Speech and indicated that copies are available in the corridor as Members and guests depart the Chamber.

On Motion of Hon. Premier, seconded by Hon. Government House Leader,

RESOLVED that the Speech of Her Honour be taken into consideration at the next sitting of the House, and that it be the first Order of the Day on every subsequent day until disposed of.

Hon Premier moved, seconded by Hon. Government House Leader, that the House adjourn until 2:00 p.m. on Wednesday, November 15, 2017.

The House then adjourned.

Charles H. MacKay
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly