

PRAYER

1:30 O'CLOCK P.M.

Pursuant to Rule 27(1), Messrs. CHIEF, LAGIMODIERE, LINDSEY, SMOOK and NESBITT made Members' Statements.

The following petition was presented and read:

Mr. MALOWAY – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to urge the Provincial Government do all that is possible to prevent the Bell takeover of MTS and preserve a more competitive cell phone market so that cellular bills for Manitobans do not increase unnecessarily.

The House resumed the Adjourned Debate on the Proposed Motion of Mr. REYES:

THAT the following address be presented to Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor:

We, the Members of the Legislative Assembly of Manitoba thank your Honour for the gracious speech addressed to us at this First Session of the Forty-First Legislature of Manitoba.

And the debate continuing,

And Ms. MARCELINO (Logan) having spoken,

And Ms. MARCELINO (Logan) moved an amendment as follows:

THAT the Motion be amended by adding the following words at the end:

But this House regrets that the Provincial Government failed to:

- (a) recognize the diversity of this great province by failing to present a positive and inclusive vision for all Manitobans; and
- (b) acknowledge and commit to implementing the recommendations of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission; and
- (c) commit to ensuring a successful and participatory national inquiry into Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls; and

- (d) commit to keeping public and social services public to prevent corporations from profiting on the backs of the poorest people of this province; and
- (e) commit to protecting and enhancing the rights of LGBTTQ* persons; and
- (f) commit to protecting and enhancing the rights of workers; and
- (g) commit to protecting and enhancing supports for persons living with disabilities; and
- (h) commit to keeping the province's valuable Crown Corporations public; and
- (i) commit to focus on environmental and water protections, expand the network of protected areas or fight climate change with innovation and green jobs; and
- (j) commit to take steps to increase the minimum wage and to bring the incomes of all Manitoba families above the poverty line; and
- (k) commit to eliminating the wait list for child care by adding 12,000 more spaces for families, and expanding Manitoba's workforce of early childhood educators; and
- (1) commit to focusing on prevention and supportive programs for early years learning; and
- (m) commit to investing more in community schools, early childhood hubs, and after-school programs in the inner city and in northern Manitoba; and
- (n) commit to ramping up the First-Year Now initiative to ensure high school students earn university and college credits to get a head start on their careers; and
- (o) commit to expanding community based programs that help skilled newcomers get good jobs in their chosen careers across Manitoba; and
- (p) commit to a plan that ensures all Manitoba students learn about the histories, languages, cultures and traditional knowledge of Indigenous peoples; and
- (q) acknowledge that Indigenous communities must be full partners in efforts to support and keep families together; and
- (r) commit to keeping post-secondary accessible to any student who wishes to attend by keeping tuition fees low and limiting increases to the rate of inflation; and
- (s) commit to partnering with post-secondary institutions to make campuses a safer place for all students with policies to prevent, and respond to, sexual violence and sexual harassment; and

- (t) commit to mixed use housing for students with partners like Brandon University and the University of Winnipeg; and
- (u) commit to increasing the number of women apprentices in the skilled trades; and
- (v) commit to partnering with the University College of the North to build a new trades training centre to help students take advantage of the good jobs created by Manitoba Hydro; and
- (w) commit to an expansion of the Women's Health Clinic, more access to midwives and an expansion of the Fertility Treatment Tax Credit; and
- (x) commit to enhancing funding to seniors' centres and working with partners to develop more seniors' housing, and improve palliative care services; and
- (y) commit to relocating the rails that divide our city and free up the land for developments that will create jobs, housing and other opportunities; and
- (z) commit to implementing the recommendations from the Task Force on Education Outcomes for Children in Care.

As a consequence of these and many other failings, the Provincial Government has thereby lost the trust and confidence of the people of Manitoba and this House.

WHEREUPON Madam Speaker ruled the amendment in order.

And the debate continuing on the amendment,

And Mr. MARTIN, Ms. FONTAINE, Mr. HELWER and Ms. LAMOUREUX having spoken.

And Ms. LAMOUREUX moved a sub-amendment as follows:

THAT the motion be amended by adding after clause (z) the following clauses:

- (aa) commit timely construction of the road network connecting communities on the east side of Lake Winnipeg; and
- (bb) commit to improving and enhancing the Provincial nominee program and the process of bringing immigrants to Manitoba; and
- (cc) commit to putting the highest possible priority on the establishment of a dedicated stroke unit in Manitoba; and
- (dd) commit to addressing the urgent need for First Nations housing; and
- (ee) commit to implement, together with First Nations and Metis people in Manitoba, a plan to improve nutrition and to decrease diabetes in our Province.

WHEREUPON Mr. Deputy Speaker ruled the sub-amendment in order.

And the debate continuing on the sub-amendment,

And Messrs. LAGIMODIERE and LINDSEY and Hon. Mr. SCHULER having spoken.

And Mr. ALLUM speaking at 5:00 p.m. The debate was allowed to remain in his name.

The House then adjourned at 5:00 p.m. until 1:30 p.m. Thursday, May 19, 2016.

Hon. Myrna DRIEDGER, Speaker.