



PRAYER

10:00 O'CLOCK A.M.

The Deputy Clerk formally advised the Assembly that the Speaker was unavoidably absent and called upon the Deputy Speaker to take the Chair pursuant to the Statutes. The Deputy Speaker took the Chair at 10:00 a.m.

In accordance with Rule 33(8), the Opposition House Leader announced that the Private Member's Resolution titled "Immediately Invest in the Mental Health and Addictions Crisis in Manitoba" will be considered on the next Thursday of Private Members' Business.

Mr. SALA moved:

THAT Bill (No. 227) – The Residential Tenancies Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la location à usage d'habitation, be now read a Second Time and be referred to a Committee of this House.

And a debate arising,

And Mr. SALA having spoken,

And Mr. NESBITT, Ms. NAYLOR, Messrs. LAMONT, MARTIN, BRAR, TEITSMA and REYES having questioned the Member,

And the debate continuing,

And Mr. NESBITT, Ms. NAYLOR, Messrs. MARTIN and LAMONT having spoken,

And Mr. TEITSMA speaking at 11:00 a.m. The debate was allowed to remain in their name.

Mr. BUSHIE moved:

Resolution No. 23: Inclusion of a Land Acknowledgement in the Manitoba Legislative Assembly

WHEREAS the Manitoba Legislature and people across this province reside on the Traditional Territories of the Anishinaabe, Dakota, Cree, Anishininew, Dene and Inuit peoples and the Homeland of the Métis; and

WHEREAS as stewards of the land, Indigenous people willingly shared knowledge with people from around the world on how to live and survive in their ancestral territories; and

WHEREAS in an era of reconciliation, it is imperative for the Legislature to acknowledge and honour the lives of Indigenous communities who have resided on these lands since time immemorial; and

WHEREAS many organizations and institutions across the world, including the Winnipeg Jets, rightfully recognize Indigenous communities when they are opening ceremonies, meetings, and events and the Legislature should be a champion of similar efforts; and

WHEREAS the Manitoba Legislature convenes each day of a Session with an opening prayer but does not acknowledge the traditional land upon which it is located; and

WHEREAS many Indigenous community members and non-Indigenous allies have requested a land acknowledgement prior to the House beginning its proceedings; and

WHEREAS a land acknowledgement should be designed in collaboration with Manitoba Keewatinowi Okimakanak, the Assembly of Manitoba Chiefs, the Manitoba Métis Federation, the Manitoba Inuit Association, and the Southern Chiefs Organization.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislative Assembly of Manitoba be urged to begin each day in the Chamber with a land acknowledgement designed in collaboration with Indigenous leadership, in addition to the opening prayer.

And a debate arising,

And Mr. BUSHIE having spoken,

And Mr. LAGIMODIERE, Ms. FONTAINE, Ms. LAMOUREUX, Messrs. LAGASSÉ, GUENTER and SMITH (Lagimodière) having questioned the Member,

And the debate continuing,

And Mr. LAGIMODIERE, Ms. FONTAINE, Mr. LAGASSÉ, Ms. LAMOUREUX and MLA ASAGWARA having spoken,

And Mr. GUENTER speaking at 12:00 p.m. The debate was allowed to remain in their name.

1:30 O'CLOCK P.M.

Pursuant to Rule 27(1), Messrs. NESBITT, KINEW and LAGASSÉ, Ms. LATHLIN and Mr. LAMONT made Members' Statements.

The following petitions were presented and read to the Legislative Assembly of Manitoba:

Hon. Mr. GERRARD – To urge the Provincial Government to establish an independent non-partisan Seniors Advocate to ensure that care standards are being met in all Manitoba personal care homes, and to resolve disputes before harm comes to residents of personal care homes; to ensure residents of personal care homes receive adequate hands on care to provide for their basic needs and ongoing physical care based on their individual requirements; to ensure that the mental health needs of communication and socialization of personal care home residents are met through a combination of facilitated programs, sufficient staff on hand to provide those services, and adequate access to family members, Designated Family Caregivers, and other visitors under all reasonable circumstances; and to enforce mechanisms that mandate operators to proactively and collaboratively work with Designated Family Caregivers who augment care by insuring they are allowed access to their loved ones under all reasonable circumstances to provide active care and support to the resident's emotional wellbeing, health, and quality of life.

Mr. MALOWAY – To urge the Provincial Government to immediately demand Dynacare maintain all the phlebotomy (blood sample) sites existing prior to the Covid-19 public health emergency, and allow all Manitobans to get their blood and urine tests done when visiting their doctor, thereby facilitating local access to blood testing services.

The House resolved into Committee of Supply. The Proceedings were interrupted at 5:00 p.m. with the understanding that the Committee of Supply would resume Friday, May 14, 2021 at 10:00 a.m.

The House then adjourned at 12:30 p.m. Friday, May 14, 2021 until 1:30 p.m. Monday, May 17, 2021.

Doyle PIWNIUK, Deputy Speaker.