

PRAYER AND LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

1:30 O'CLOCK P.M.

Madam Speaker presented:

Certificate of Election respecting Mr. Obby KHAN, the newly elected Member for Fort Whyte. (Sessional Paper No. 16)

Mr. Obby KHAN, Member for the Electoral Division for Fort Whyte, was conducted by Hon. Mrs. STEFANSON and Hon. Mr. GOERTZEN to the floor of the House in front of Madam Speaker.

Hon. Mrs. STEFANSON then said:

Madam Speaker, I have the honour to present to you Mr. Obby KHAN, Member for the Constituency of Fort Whyte, who has taken the Oath and signed the Roll, and now claims the right to take their seat.

Madam Speaker thereupon said:

On behalf of all Honourable Members, I wish to welcome you to the Legislative Assembly of Manitoba and to wish you well in your parliamentary career.

Mr. KHAN then advanced to the Chair, shook hands with Madam Speaker and took their seat.

The following Bill was read a First Time and had its purposes outlined:

(No. 223) – The Ukrainian Heritage Month Act/Loi sur le Mois du patrimoine ukrainien

(Mr. SMOOK)

Hon. Mr. SMITH (Lagimodière), the Minister of Sport, Culture and Heritage, made a statement recognizing Sikh Heritage Month.

Mr. BRAR and, by leave, Ms. LAMOUREUX commented on the statement.

Hon. Mrs. GUILLEMARD, the Minister of Mental Health and Community Wellness, made a statement recognizing Take Down Tobacco Day.

Mrs. SMITH (Point Douglas) and, by leave, Hon. Mr. GERRARD commented on the statement.

Pursuant to Rule 27(1), Mr. KHAN, Ms. FONTAINE, Mr. MARTIN, MLA MARCELINO and Hon. Mr. EWASKO made Members' Statements.

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

Ms. FONTAINE – To urge the Provincial Government to immediately ensure effective and safe access to abortion services for individuals regardless of where they reside in Manitoba and to ensure that buffer zones are immediately legislated.

Hon. Mr. GERRARD – To urge the Provincial Government to provide financing for upgrades to the cochlear implant covered under Medicare, or provide funding assistance through the Cochlear Implant Speech Processor Replacement Program, to assist with the replacement costs associated with a device upgrade.

Mr. MALOWAY – To urge the Provincial Government to immediately contact all home and property owners in Manitoba with lead water pipes connecting to the City watermain line, and provide full financial support to them for lead water pipe replacement so their access to clean water is assured and exposure to lead and its health risks are eliminated.

Ms. NAYLOR – To urge the Provincial Government to support a declaration that the first week in February of each year be known as Eating Disorders Awareness Week.

Mr. WIEBE – To urge the Provincial Government to provide the services of two nurses to restore essential medical foot care treatment to the City of Thompson effective April 1, 2022.

By leave, it was agreed to transfer the Minister's unlimited speaking time for Bill (No. 7) – The Police Services Amendment Act (Enhancing Independent Investigation Unit Operations)/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les services de police (amélioration du fonctionnement de l'unité d'enquête indépendante), from the Honourable Member for Morden-Winkler to the Honourable Member for Steinbach.

Hon. Mr. GOERTZEN moved:

THAT Bill (No. 31) – The Minor Amendments and Corrections Act, 2022/Loi corrective de 2022, be now read a Second Time and be referred to a Committee of this House.

And a debate arising,

And Hon. Mr. GOERTZEN having spoken,

And Ms. FONTAINE and Hon. Mr. GERRARD having questioned the Minister,

And the debate continuing,

And Ms. FONTAINE and Hon. Mr. GERRARD having spoken,

And the Question being put. It was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read a Second Time and referred to a Committee of this House.

The House resumed the debate on the Proposed Motion of Hon. Mr. GOERTZEN:

THAT Bill (No. 7) – The Police Services Amendment Act (Enhancing Independent Investigation Unit Operations)/Loi modifiant la Loi sur les services de police (amélioration du fonctionnement de l'unité d'enquête indépendante), be now read a Second Time and be referred to Committee of this House.

And a debate arising,

And Hon. Mr. GOERTZEN having spoken,

And Ms. FONTAINE and Mr. LAMONT having questioned the Minister,

And the debate continuing,

And Ms. FONTAINE having spoken,

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

The House then adjourned at 5:00 p.m. until 10:00 a.m. Tuesday, April 5, 2022.

Hon. Myrna DRIEDGER, Speaker.