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The Honourable Michael Ballantyne, Speaker

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### **MEMBERS PRESENT**

Hon. Titus Allooloo, Mr. Antoine, Mr. Arngna'naaq, Mr. Arvaluk, Hon. Michael Ballantyne, Mr. Bernhardt, Hon. Nellie Cournoyea, Mr. Dent, Mr. Gargan, Hon. Stephen Kakfwi, Mr. Fred Koe, Mr. Lewis, Mrs. Marie-Jewell, Ms. Mike, Hon. Don Morin, Mr. Nerysoo, Hon. John Ningark, Hon. Dennis Patterson, Hon. John Pollard, Mr. Pudlat, Mr. Pudluk, Mr. Todd, Hon. Tony Whitford, Mr. Zoe

### **ITEM 1: PRAYER**

---Prayer

SPEAKER (Hon. Michael Ballantyne):

Please be seated. Orders of the day for Friday, November 15, 1991. Item 2, Ministers' statements. The honourable Government Leader, Ms. Cournoyea.

### **ITEM 2: MINISTERS' STATEMENTS**

Ministers' Statement 1-12(1): Government Review Project Report

HON. NELLIE COURNOYEA: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, this morning I received the report of the project to review the operations and structure of northern government, which is titled "Strength at Two Levels." This review was established by the former government, who had contracted Mr. Garry Beatty, a professional public sector senior manager, to lead the review.

Although neither I nor my cabinet colleagues have yet had the opportunity to review the report, I am providing a copy of it to all Members, and it will be available to the general public. It is my intention to have the report translated and formally tabled in the Legislature in December, after the planned recess.

As we have yet to read the report, cabinet Members will not be able to respond to questions concerning the report's contents at this time. Until cabinet Members have had the time to examine the report in detail and develop a strategic framework in which to consider the report's recommendations, we can offer little comment. However, by providing this report to Members now, I am reaffirming my commitment to a more open style of government and greater ordinary Member involvement in decision-making. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

---Applause

**MR. SPEAKER:** Ministers' statements. Item 3, Members' statements. Mr. Kakfwi.

**ITEM 3: MEMBERS' STATEMENTS** 

Member's Statement On Passing Of Mary Rose Wright

HON. STEPHEN KAKFWI: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to offer my deepest sympathies to the family and friends of Mary Rose Wright of Fort Norman, who passed away last weekend after a long illness. Mary Rose Wright was the wife of the former chief, Paul Wright, and the other half of a hard-working and highly respected husband and wife team. She was a daughter of the Cleary family.

Those of us who knew her loved and admired her sense of humour, her wonderful ability to tell stories. and her high-spirited love of life. The Dene have a saying about people like her; she is "a person who holds laughter in her mouth." She was a mountain Dene who was fluent in her language and also in English, and who believed absolutely in the mountain Dene lifestyle. She spent many hours sewing and tanning hides. She is said to have baked the best bread in the Sahtu, and she was a wonderful and enthusiastic dancer. She knew all the spiritual mountain Dene songs and all the drum dances. Throughout her active life, Mary Rose offered her advice and guidance to anyone who needed help and was also particularly helpful to the young people. She was an active member of the band council and of the Dene Nation and attended most of the assemblies through the years as a delegate, sometimes as an interpreter, and very often just as a volunteer.

Mary Rose Wright will be deeply missed by her daughters, Judith and Lillian, and her devoted husband and partner, Paul Wright. My deepest sympathies to the family and friends of this wonderful woman. We will never forget her. Thank you.

---Applause

**MR. SPEAKER:** Members' statements. Members' statements.

Item 4, returns to oral questions. Returns to oral questions.

Item 6, written questions. Written questions.

Item 7, returns to written questions. Returns to written questions.

I am sorry. I missed Item 5, oral questions. We will go back to Item 5, oral questions.

Item 6, written questions.

Item 7, returns to written questions.

Item 8, replies to Opening Address. Replies to Opening Address.

Item 9, petitions. Petitions.

Item 10, reports of standing and special committees. Reports of standing and special committees.

Item 11, tabling of documents. Tabling of documents. Item 12, notices of motions. Mr. Todd.

#### **ITEM 12: NOTICES OF MOTIONS**

Notice Of Motion 9-12(1): Appointments To The Standing Committee On Legislation

MR. TODD: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, I give notice that on November 19, 1991, I will move the following motion: Now therefore, I move, seconded by the honourable Member for Kitikmeot, Mr. Ernie Bernhardt, that Mr. Arngna'naaq, Mr. Arvaluk, Mr. Gargan, Mr. Lewis, Mr. Nerysoo, Mr. Pudlat and Mr. Pudluk be appointed as Members of the standing committee on legislation; and further, that Mr. Koe, Mrs. Marie-Jewell and Mr. Zoe be named alternates to the standing committee on legislation.

Mr. Speaker, I will be requesting, at the appropriate time.

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unanimous consent to deal with the motion today.

**MR. SPEAKER:** Thank you, Mr. Todd. Notices of motions. Mr. Nerysoo.

Notice Of Motion 10-12(1): Appointments To The Standing Committee On Agencies, Boards And Commissions

MR. NERYSOO: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, I give notice that on November 19, 1991, I will move the following motion: Now therefore, I move, seconded by the honourable Member for Iqaluit, Mr. Patterson, that Mr. Antoine, Mr. Arvaluk, Mr. Dent, Mr. Koe, Mr. Lewis, Mrs. Marie-Jewell and Mr. Todd be appointed as Members of the standing committee on agencies, boards and commissions; and further, that Mr. Bernhardt, Ms. Mike and Mr. Nerysoo be named alternates to the standing committee on agencies, boards and commissions. Mr. Speaker, I will be requesting, at the appropriate time, unanimous consent to deal with this particular motion today.

**MR. SPEAKER:**Thank you. Notices of motions. Mr. Nerysoo.

Notice Of Motion 11-12(1): Appointments To The Standing Committee On Finance

MR. NERYSOO: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, I give notice that on November 19, 1991, I will move the following motion: Now therefore, I move, seconded by the honourable Member for Nunakput, that Mr. Antoine, Mr. Bernhardt, Mr. Dent, Mrs. Marie-Jewell, Ms. Mike, Mr. Todd and Mr. Zoe be appointed as Members of the standing committee on finance; and further, that Mr. Arngna'naaq, Mr. Arvaluk and Mr. Gargan be named alternates to the standing committee on finance.

Mr. Speaker, I will be requesting, at the appropriate time, unanimous consent to deal with this particular motion today.

**MR. SPEAKER:** Thank you, Mr. Nerysoo. Notices of motions. Mr. Lewis.

Notice Of Motion 12-12(1): Appointments To The Standing Committee On Rules, Procedures And Privileges

MR. LEWIS: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, I give notice that on November 19, 1991, I will move the following motion: Now therefore, I move, seconded by the honourable Member for Hay River, Mr. Pollard, that Ms. Mike, Mr. Nerysoo, Mr. Pudluk and Mr. Zoe be appointed as Members of the standing committee on rules, procedures and privileges; and further, that Mr. Antoine, Mr. Lewis and Mr. Pudlat be named alternates to the standing committee on rules, procedures and privileges.

Mr. Speaker, I will be requesting, at the appropriate time, unanimous consent to deal with my motion today.

**MR. SPEAKER:** Thank you. Notices of motions. Mr. Todd.

Notice Of Motion 13-12(1): Appointments To The Standing Committee On Public Accounts

MR. TODD: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, I give notice that on November 19, 1991, I will move the following motion: Now therefore, I move, seconded by the honourable Member for Mackenzie Delta, Mr. Richard Nerysoo, that Mr. Arngna'naaq, Mr. Arvaluk, Mr. Bernhardt, Mr. Gargan, Mr. Koe, Mr. Pudlat and Mr. Zoe be appointed as Members of the standing committee on public accounts; and further, that Mr. Dent, Mr. Pudlat and Mr. Todd be named alternates to the standing committee on public accounts.

Mr. Speaker, I will be requesting, at the appropriate time, unanimous consent to deal with my motion today.

**MR. SPEAKER:** Thank you. Notices of motions. Notices of motions.

Item 13, notices of motions for first reading of bills. Notices of motions for first reading of bills. Item 14, motions. Mr. Todd.

### **ITEM 14: MOTIONS**

**MR. TODD:** Mr. Speaker, whereas it is required by Rule 86 that the standing committee on legislation...

### AN HON. MEMBER:

You have to ask for unanimous consent to deal with your motion.

**MR. TODD:** Sorry. That is what happens when you are a rookie. Mr. Speaker, I would seek unanimous consent to deal with my motion today on the matter of appointments to the standing committee on legislation.

**MR. SPEAKER:** The honourable Member is seeking unanimous consent to deal with his motion. Are there any nays? There are no nays. Proceed, Mr. Todd.

# Motion 9-12(1): Appointments To The Standing Committee On Legislation, Carried

**MR. TODD:** Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker: WHEREAS it is required by Rule 86 that a standing committee on legislation be appointed;

NOW THEREFORE, I move, seconded by the honourable Member for Kitikmeot, Mr. Ernie Bernhardt, that Mr. Arngna'naaq, Mr. Arvaluk, Mr. Gargan, Mr. Lewis, Mr. Nerysoo, Mr. Pudlat and Mr. Pudluk be appointed as Members of the standing committee on legislation;

**AND FURTHER**, that Mr. Koe, Mrs. Marie-Jewell and Mr. Zoe be named alternates to the standing committee on legislation.

**MR. SPEAKER:** Your motion is in order. To the motion.

### AN HON. MEMBER:

Question.

**MR. SPEAKER:** Question has been called. All those in favour? All those opposed? The motion is carried unanimously.

---Carried

Motions. Mr. Nerysoo.

**MR. NERYSOO:** Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, I would seek unanimous consent to deal with my motion today on the matter of appointments to the standing committee on agencies, boards and commissions.

**MR. SPEAKER:** The honourable Member is seeking unanimous consent to deal with his motion. Are there any nays? There are no nays. Proceed, Mr. Nerysoo.

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Motion 10-12(1): Appointments To The Standing Committee On Agencies, Boards And Commissions, Carried

**MR. NERYSOO:** Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker:

**WHEREAS** it is required by Rule 86 that a standing committee on agencies, boards and commissions be appointed;

NOW THEREFORE, I move, seconded by the honourable Member for Nunakput, that Mr. Antoine, Mr. Arvaluk, Mr. Dent, Mr. Koe, Mr. Lewis, Mrs. Marie-Jewell and Mr. Todd be appointed as Members of the standing committee on agencies, boards and commissions:

**AND FURTHER**, that Mr. Bernhardt, Ms. Mike and Mr. Nerysoo be named alternates to the standing committee on agencies, boards and commissions.

**MR. SPEAKER:** Your motion is in order. To the motion.

### AN HON. MEMBER:

Question.

**MR. SPEAKER:** Question has been called. All those in favour? All those opposed? The motion is carried unanimously.

---Carried

Item 14, motions. Mr. Nerysoo.

**MR. NERYSOO:** Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, I wish to seek unanimous consent to deal with my motion today on the matter of appointments to the standing committee on finance.

**MR. SPEAKER:** The honourable Member is seeking unanimous consent to deal with his motion. Are there any nays? There are no nays. Proceed, Mr. Nerysoo.

Motion 11-12(1): Appointments To The Standing Committee On Finance, Carried

**MR. NERYSOO:** Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker:

**WHEREAS** it is required by Rule 86 that a standing committee on finance be appointed;

**NOW THEREFORE**, I move, seconded by the honourable Member for Iqaluit, that Mr. Antoine, Mr. Bernhardt, Mr. Dent, Mrs. Marie-Jewell, Ms. Mike, Mr. Todd and Mr. Zoe be appointed as Members of the standing committee on finance:

**AND FURTHER**, that Mr. Arngna'naaq, Mr. Arvaluk and Mr. Gargan be named alternates to the standing committee on finance.

**MR. SPEAKER:** Your motion is in order, Mr. Nerysoo. To the motion.

### AN HON. MEMBER:

Question.

**MR. SPEAKER:** Question has been called. All those in favour? All those opposed? The motion is carried unanimously.

---Carried

Motions. Mr. Todd.

**MR. TODD:** I will get it right this time. I seek unanimous consent to deal with my motion today on the matter of appointments to the standing committee on public accounts.

**MR. SPEAKER:** The honourable Member is seeking unanimous consent to deal with his motion. Are there any nays? There are no nays. Proceed, Mr. Todd.

MR. TODD: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker: Whereas it is required by Rule 86 that a standing committee on public accounts be appointed; now therefore, I move, seconded by the honourable Member for Mackenzie Delta, Mr. Richard Nerysoo, that Mr. Arngna'naaq, Mr. Arvaluk, Mr. Bernhardt, Mr. Gargan, Mr. Koe, Mr. Pudlat and Mr. Zoe be appointed as Members of the standing committee on public accounts; and further, that Mr. Dent, Mr. Pudlat and Mr. Todd be named alternates to the standing committee on public accounts.

MR. SPEAKER: One problem. Before I rule the motion in order I see that Mr. Pudlat is on the committee and also as an alternate to the committee. Was there a mistake? I defer this motion and will go to another motion, and we will get that clarified. Motions. Mr. Lewis, please.

**MR. LEWIS:** Mr. Speaker, I would seek unanimous consent to deal with my motion today on the matter of appointments to the standing committee on rules, procedures and privileges.

**MR. SPEAKER:** The honourable Member is seeking unanimous consent to deal with his motion. Are there any nays? There are no nays. Proceed, Mr. Lewis.

Motion 12-12(1): Appointments To The Standing Committee On Rules, Procedures And Privileges, Carried

**MR. LEWIS:** Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker:

**WHEREAS** it is required by Rule 86 that a standing committee on rules, procedures and privileges be appointed;

**NOW THEREFORE,** I move, seconded by the honourable Member for Hay River, that Ms. Mike, Mr. Nerysoo, Mr. Pudluk and Mr. Zoe be appointed as Members of the standing committee on rules, procedures and privileges;

**AND FURTHER**, that Mr. Antoine, Mr. Lewis and Mr. Pudlat be named alternates to the standing committee on rules, procedures and privileges.

**MR. SPEAKER:** Your motion is in order. To the motion.

### AN HON. MEMBER:

Question.

**MR. SPEAKER:** Question has been called. All those in favour? All those opposed? The motion is carried unanimously.

---Carried

Could we return to the previous motion, and perhaps Mr. Todd can clarify?

**MR. TODD:** It was a typographical error, Mr. Speaker. Whereas it is required...

### AN HON, MEMBER:

Ask for unanimous consent.

**MR. TODD:** I am getting instructions from all sides here.

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---Laughter

Mr. Speaker, I would seek unanimous consent to deal with the motion today on the appointments to the standing committee on public accounts.

MR. SPEAKER: The honourable Member is seeking unanimous consent to deal with his motion. Are there any nays? There are no nays. Proceed, Mr. Todd. Motion 13-12(1): Appointments To The Standing Committee On Public Accounts, Carried

MR. TODD: Mr. Speaker:

**WHEREAS** it is required by Rule 86 that a standing committee on public accounts be appointed;

NOW THEREFORE, I move, seconded by the honourable Member for Mackenzie Delta, Mr. Nerysoo, that Mr. Arngna'naaq, Mr. Arvaluk, Mr. Bernhardt, Mr. Gargan, Mr. Koe, Mr. Pudlat and Mr. Zoe be appointed as Members of the standing committee on public accounts;

**AND FURTHER,** that Mr. Dent, Mr. Pudluk and Mr. Todd be named alternates to the standing committee on public accounts.

**MR. SPEAKER**: Your motion is in order. To the motion.

### AN HON. MEMBER:

Question.

**MR. SPEAKER:** Question has been called. All those in favour? All those opposed? The motion is carried unanimously.

---Carried

Item 14, motions. Item 14, motions.

Item 15, first reading of bills.

Item 16, second reading of bills.

Item 17, consideration in committee of the whole of bills and other matters.

Item 18, report of committee of the whole.

Item 19, third reading of bills. Item 20, Mr. Clerk, orders of the day.

CLERK OF THE HOUSE (Mr. Hamilton): Mr. Speaker, announcements. There will be a meeting of the Nunavut caucus immediately after adjournment today. Members have been served with the list of the meetings of the standing committees, and we will also be circulating a list of all the full committee memberships in the next 10 minutes.

### ITEM 20: ORDERS OF THE DAY

Orders of the day for Monday, December 9, 1991.

- 1. Prayer
- 2. Ministers' Statements
- 3. Members' Statements
- 4. Returns to Oral Questions
- 5. Oral Questions
- 6. Written Questions

- 7. Returns to Written Questions
- 8. Replies to Opening Address
- 9. Petitions
- 10. Reports of Standing and Special Committees
- 11. Tabling of Documents
- 12. Notices of Motions
- 13. Notices of Motions for First Reading of Bills
- 14. Motions
- 15. First Reading of Bills
- 16. Second Reading of Bills
- 17. Consideration in Committee of the Whole of Bills and Other Matters
- 18. Report of Committee of the Whole
- 19. Third Reading of Bills
- 20. Orders of the Day

**MR. SPEAKER:** Thank you, Mr. Clerk. This House stands adjourned until 1:30 p.m., Monday, December 9, 1991.

### ---ADJOURNMENT