



**LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF MANITOBA**

**VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS No. 62**

**THIRD SESSION, FORTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE**

**PRAYER**

**10:00 O'CLOCK A.M.**

By leave, it was agreed for the House to deal with the Second Reading of Bill (No. 201).

Mr. LAGIMODIERE moved:

THAT Bill (No. 201) – The Manitoba Conservation Officers Recognition Day Act/Loi sur la Journée de reconnaissance des agents de conservation du Manitoba, be now read a Second Time and be referred to a Committee of this House.

And a debate arising,

And Mr. LAGIMODIERE having spoken,

And Messrs. ALTEMEYER and BINDLE, Hon. Mr. GERRARD and Mrs. MAYER having questioned the Member,

And the debate continuing,

And Messrs. ALTEMEYER, BINDLE and SWAN and Hon. Mr. GERRARD having spoken,

And Ms. FONTAINE speaking at 11:00 a.m. The debate was allowed to remain in her name.

The House resumed the Debate on the Proposed Resolution of Mr. GRAYDON:

Resolution No. 18: Recognizing Lyme Disease Awareness and Prevention

WHEREAS May is Lyme Disease Awareness Month; and

WHEREAS Lyme disease is caused by a bacterium transmitted in North America by the bite of an infected blacklegged tick, or western blacklegged ticks; and

WHEREAS the highest risk period for Lyme disease in Manitoba is from May to July; and

WHEREAS Lyme disease is difficult to diagnose, currently has no cure, and successful treatment of symptoms can take a long time; and

WHEREAS prevalence of the disease has exploded in Manitoba from one confirmed case in 2009 to twenty-nine confirmed cases in 2017, with many more cases unreported or unconfirmed; and

WHEREAS reported Lyme cases in Canada increased more than six-fold between 2009 and 2016; and

WHEREAS many patients still struggle to get diagnosed and treated; and

WHEREAS the symptoms of Lyme disease can become very severe when left untreated, causing arthritis, heart palpitations, brain inflammation, nerve pain, dizziness, blurred vision, and a compromised immune system.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislative Assembly of Manitoba urge the Provincial Government to raise awareness of the effects of Lyme disease in Manitoba, encourage better treatment and diagnosis of the infection, and promote prevention strategies.

And the debate continuing,

And Messrs. ALLUM, SMOOK, WIEBE and WOWCHUK, Ms. FONTAINE and Mr. SWAN having spoken,

And Mrs. SMITH (Point Douglas) speaking at 12:00 p.m. The debate was allowed to remain in her name.

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**1:30 O'CLOCK P.M.**

Pursuant to Rule 27(1), Mrs. GUILLEMARD, Messrs. SWAN and EWASKO, Ms. KLASSEN and Mr. SMOOK made Members' Statements.

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Following Oral Questions, Ms. KLASSEN rose on a Point Of Order regarding the comments spoken by the Minister responsible for the Status of Women and requested that the Minister retract comments about addressing harassment in the Civil Service since she felt that her own issues relating to harassment and intimidation in the Chamber were dismissed by the Minister.

And Hon. Ms. SQUIRES, Hon. Mr. FLETCHER, Ms. FONTAINE and Hon. Mr. GERRARD having spoken to the point of order,

WHEREUPON Madam Speaker ruled that there was no point of order but spoke to the need of improving the decorum in the House.

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The following petitions were presented and read:

Mrs. SMITH (Point Douglas) – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to urge the Premier of Manitoba and the Minister of Justice to immediately call a Public Inquiry into the systems that had a role in the life and death of Tina Fontaine as well as the function of the administration of justice after her death and that the terms of reference of a Public Inquiry be developed jointly with the caregivers of Tina Fontaine and/or the agent appointed by them. (N. Moore, A. Wood, C. Catcheway and others)

Hon. Mr. GERRARD – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to urge the Provincial Government to immediately begin implementation of plans to convert systems and forms to be more inclusive of Two-Spirit and other non-binary individuals, whether it be to include a third gender option, or no requirement for gender on forms, unless medically or statistically necessary, including health cards, and birth certificates; to immediately instruct the Manitoba Public Insurance corporation to offer a third gender option, or no gender requirement for licenses or any other form of provincial identification; to instruct Manitoba Health, Seniors and Active Living to offer the option of Manitoba Health Cards with no gender in order to reduce the anxieties of transgender and non-binary persons accessing the healthcare system as a first step; and to consider revisiting legislation that may need updating to meet the needs of its citizens in this regard. (J. Alexander, J. Glass, A. Mann and others)

Hon. Mr. FLETCHER – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to urge the Provincial Government to take the necessary steps to ensure that the Vimy Arena site is not used for an addiction treatment facility and to take the necessary steps to ensure the preservation of public land along Sturgeon Creek for the purposes of park land and recreational activities for public use (including being an important component of the Sturgeon Creek Greenway Trail and the Sturgeon Creek ecosystem) under the current designation of PR2 for the 255 Hamilton Avenue location at the Vimy Arena site, and to maintain the land to continue to be designated for Parks and Recreation Active Neighbourhood/Community. (L. Eggie, D. Parker, G. Parker and others)

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Prior to Grievances, Mr. LINDSEY rose on a Matter of Urgent Public Importance and moved:

THAT in accordance with Rule 38(1), the ordinary business of the House be set aside to discuss a Matter of Urgent Public Importance, namely, the urgent issue of Canada's long standing, equitable trading relationship with the United States of America, the illegitimate tariffs imposed by the United States Government against Canadian steel and aluminum workers, the impact on workers and communities that depend on this trading relationship and the importance of standing in solidarity with the Government of Canada in its decision to impose retaliatory tariffs while rejecting disparaging ad hominem statements by the US administration.

And Mr. LINDSEY and Hon. Messrs. CULLEN and GERRARD (by leave) having spoken to the urgency of the motion,

WHEREUPON Madam Speaker ruled as follows:

I thank Honourable Members for their advice to the Chair on whether the motion proposed by the Honourable Member for Flin Flon should be debated today.

I would advise that proper notice of this matter, as required by Rule 38(1), was provided in a timely fashion, and I thank the Member for Flin Flon for that.

Under our rules and practices, the subject matter requiring urgent consideration must be so pressing that the public interest will suffer if the matter is not given immediate attention. There must also be no other reasonable opportunities to raise the matter.

I do not doubt that this matter is one that is of serious concern to all Members of this House, as the status of Canada's trading relationship with the United States of America is a very important issue to Manitobans.

However, I have listened very carefully to the arguments put forward, and I was not persuaded that the ordinary business of the House should be set aside to deal with this issue today.

I would note that there are other avenues for Members to raise this issue, including questions in Question Period, or raising the item under Members' Statements or as a Grievance.

Therefore, with the greatest of respect, I rule the motion out of order as a Matter of Urgent Public Importance.

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The House resumed the debate on the Proposed Motion of Hon. Ms. SQUIRES:

THAT Bill (No. 29) – The Wildlife Amendment Act (Safe Hunting and Shared Management)/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la conservation de la faune (pratiques de chasse sécuritaires et gestion intégrée de la faune), be now read a Second Time and be referred to a Committee of this House.

And on the Proposed Amendment of Mr. KINEW:

*THAT the motion be amended by deleting all the words after the word "THAT" and substituting the following:*

This House declines to give Second Reading to Bill (No. 29) – The Wildlife Amendment Act (Safe Hunting and Shared Management)/Loi modifiant la Loi sur la conservation de la faune (pratiques de chasse sécuritaires et gestion intégrée de la faune), because Bill (No. 29) fails to institute the principles necessary for a system of co-management for safe hunting in Manitoba.

And the debate continuing on the amendment,

And Messrs. SWAN, PIWNIUK, WIEBE and ALTEMEYER having spoken,

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

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In accordance with Rule 33(7), the Government House Leader announced that the Celebrating Nation Indigenous Peoples Day Resolution will be considered on the next Tuesday of Private Members' Business.

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**Tuesday, June 12, 2018**

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The House then adjourned at 5:00 p.m. until 1:30 p.m. Wednesday, June 13, 2018.

Hon. Myrna DRIEDGER,  
Speaker.