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Prayers.

At the request of Hon. Mr. Holder, it was agreed by unanimous consent to allow all Members the option to speak from a seat other than their own.

At the request of Hon. Mr. Holder, it was agreed by unanimous consent to dispense with Routine Proceedings, except for Introduction of Bills, and proceed to Government Motions for the Ordering of the Business of the House.

The following Bills were introduced and read a first time:

By Hon. Mr. Steeves, Bill 37, Loan Act 2020.
By Hon. Mr. Carr, Bill 38, An Act Respecting Elections in 2020.
By Hon. Mr. Steeves, Bill 39, An Act to Amend the Assessment Act.

On motion of Hon. Mr. Holder, seconded by the Honourable the Premier:

RESOLVED, that when the Assembly adjourns at the end of this sitting day, it stand adjourned until Tuesday, April 7, 2020, provided always that if it appears to the satisfaction of Mr. Speaker, after consultation with the Government and Opposition House Leaders, that the public interest requires that the House should meet at an earlier time during the adjournment or that the adjournment should continue beyond Tuesday, April 7, 2020, Mr. Speaker may give notice that he is so satisfied and in such notice may state a time at which the House shall meet, and thereupon the House shall meet at the time so stated and shall transact its business as if it has been duly adjourned to that time, or in such notice may state that the adjournment shall continue until further notice is given by the Speaker, and

THAT in the event of Mr. Speaker being unable to act owing to illness or other cause, either of the Deputy Speakers shall act in his stead for the purpose of this order.

Hon. Mr. Holder, Acting Government House Leader, announced that, with unanimous consent, it was the intention of government that Bills 34, 37 and 38 be called for second and third reading forthwith and that the bills not be referred to a committee of the House; following which Royal Assent would take place.

It was agreed by unanimous consent that Bills 34, 37 and 38 be called for second and third reading forthwith, and that the bills not be referred to a committee of the House.

The Order being read for second reading of Bill 34, *Building Code Administration Act*, a debate arose thereon.

And the debate being ended, and the question being put that Bill 34 be now read a second time, it was resolved in the affirmative.

Accordingly, Bill 34, *Building Code Administration Act*, was read a second time.

The Order being read for second reading of Bill 37, *Loan Act 2020*, a debate arose thereon.

And the debate being ended, and the question being put that Bill 37 be now read a second time, it was resolved in the affirmative.

Accordingly, Bill 37, Loan Act 2020, was read a second time.

The Order being read for second reading of Bill 38, An Act Respecting Elections in 2020, a debate arose thereon.

And the debate being ended, and the question being put that Bill 38 be now read a second time, it was resolved in the affirmative.

Accordingly, Bill 38, An Act Respecting Elections in 2020, was read a second time.

The following Bills were read a third time:

Bill 34, Building Code Administration Act.Bill 37, Loan Act 2020.Bill 38, An Act Respecting Elections in 2020.

Ordered that the said Bills do pass.

Her Honour, the Lieutenant-Governor, was announced, and having been bidden to enter, took her seat in the chair upon the Throne.

Mr. Speaker addressed Her Honour as follows:

May It Please Your Honour:

The Legislative Assembly of the Province of New Brunswick has passed several Bills at the present sittings of the Legislature to which, in the name and on behalf of the said Legislative Assembly, I respectfully request Your Honour's assent.

The Clerk Assistant then read the titles of the Bills as follows:

Bill 12, An Act Respecting the Management of Prescriptions and Recovery Authority.

Bill 16, An Act to Amend the Motor Vehicle Act.

Bill 18, An Act to Amend the Climate Change Act.

Bill 19, An Act to Amend the Fish and Wildlife Act.

Bill 22, Unclaimed Property Act.

Bill 30, An Act to Amend the Gasoline and Motive Fuel Tax Act.

Bill 32, An Act to Amend the Gasoline and Motive Fuel Tax Act.

Bill 34, Building Code Administration Act.

Bill 37, Loan Act 2020.

Bill 38, An Act Respecting Elections in 2020.

Her Honour signified Her Assent as follows:

It is the Queen's wish. La reine le veut.

To these Bills, Her Honour's assent was announced by the Deputy Clerk of the Legislative Assembly in the following words:

In Her Majesty's name, Her Honour the Lieutenant-Governor assents to these Bills, enacting the same and ordering them to be enrolled.

Mr. Speaker then addressed Her Honour as follows:

May It Please Your Honour:

The Legislative Assembly having devoted itself with unremitting diligence to the consideration of the several subjects referred to in the speech Her Honour the Lieutenant-Governor was pleased to deliver at the opening of the session, and to other matters of interest to the people of the province, humbly begs to present for your Honour's acceptance a Bill intituled *Appropriations Act 2020-2021*. (Bill 36)

Her Honour replied:

It is the Queen's wish. La reine le veut.

To this Bill, Her Honour's assent was announced by the Deputy Clerk in the following words:

Her Honour thanks Her Majesty's loyal and dutiful subjects, accepts their benevolence and assents to this Bill.

Her Honour then retired and Mr. Speaker resumed the chair.

Mr. Speaker addressed the House to thank the Members for their collaboration in response to the evolving situation with the coronavirus disease (COVID-19).

And then, 3.03 p.m., the House adjourned.

The following document, having been deposited with the Clerk of the House, was deemed laid upon the table of the House pursuant to Standing Rule 39:

Annual Report 2020, *Statute Repeal Act*, Justice and Office of the Attorney General March 12, 2020