

THRONE SPEECH AND BUDGET ADDRESS

FIRST MEETING OF THE 2014-2015 SESSION OF THE CAYMAN ISLANDS LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY BUILDING 33 Fort Street, George Town GRAND CAYMAN

> Monday May 26, 2014 10:00 am





HER MAJESTY THE QUEEN'S REPRESENTATIVE Her Excellency the Governor Mrs. Helen Marjorie Kilpatrick, CB

THE SPEAKER

Honourable Juliana Y O'Connor-Connolly, JP, MLA

Second Elected Member for Cayman Brac and Little Cayman

THE PREMIER

Honourable Alden McLaughlin, MBE, JP, MLA

Minister of Home and Community Affairs Third Elected Member for George Town

MINISTERS AND MEMBERS OF THE CABINET

Honourable Moses I Kirkconnell, JP, MLA

Deputy Premier Minister of District Administration, Tourism and Transport First Elected Member for Cayman Brac and Little Cayman

Honourable D Kurt Tibbetts, OBE, JP, MLA

Minister of Planning, Lands, Agriculture, Housing and Infrastructure First Elected Member for George Town

Honourable Marco S Archer, JP, MLA

Minister of Finance and Economic Development Fourth Elected Member for George Town

Honourable Osbourne V Bodden, JP, MLA

Minister of Health, Sports, Youth and Culture Second Elected Member for Bodden Town

Honourable G Wayne Panton, JP, MLA

Minister of Financial Services, Commerce and Environment Third Elected Member for Bodden Town

Honourable Tara A Rivers, JP, MLA

Minister of Education, Employment and Gender Affairs Second Elected Member for West Bay

Honourable Franz I Manderson, Cert. Hon, JP

Deputy Governor, ex officio Member responsible for the Civil Service

Honourable Samuel W Bulgin, QC, JP

Attorney General, ex officio Member responsible for Legal Affairs

ELECTED MEMBERS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

Government Backbench

Mr Anthony S Eden, OBE, JP, MLA

Deputy Speaker (Acting Speaker)
First Elected Member for Bodden Town

Mr Roy M McTaggart, JP, MLA

Second Elected Member for George Town

Mr Winston C Connolly, Jr, MLA

Fifth Elected Member for George Town

Mr Joseph X Hew, MLA

Sixth Elected Member for George Town

Mr Alva H Suckoo, MLA

Fourth Elected Member for Bodden Town

The Opposition

Honourable W McKeeva Bush, OBE, JP, MLA

Leader of the Opposition First Elected Member for West Bay

Mr Bernie A Bush, MLA

Third Elected Member for West Bay

Capt A Eugene Ebanks, JP, MLA

Fourth Elected Member for West Bay

Independent Members

Mr D Ezzard Miller, JP, MLA

Elected Member for North Side

Mr V Arden McLean, JP, MLA

Elected Member for East End

PROGRAMME

9:25 am Members of the Legislative Assembly arrive.

Members of the public arrive.

9:30 am Pastor Winston Rose, MBE Officiating Minister

arrives.

9:35 am Guard of Honour in position.

All Ministers and Members of the Legislative Assembly and the general public seated.

9:37 am Arrival of the Chief Justice, the Honourable Anthony Smellie, QC, JP.

9:40 am SPEAKER'S PROCESSION (All rise)

The Serjeant-at-Arms (bearing the Mace.

The Honourable Acting Speaker followed by the Clerk and Deputy Clerk.

The Honourable Acting Speaker proceeds to the Chair and bows to the right and to the

left.

PRAYERS

The Honourable Acting Speaker requests the Minister to say prayers.

The Honourable Acting Speaker says "Please be seated" (All sit).

PROCLAMATION

The Clerk reads the Proclamation summoning the new Session of the Legislative Assembly.

READING BY THE HONOURABLE ACTING SPEAKER OF MESSAGES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

MOTION FOR THE SUSPENSION OF THE HOUSE

The Premier, Honourable Alden McLaughlin, MBE, JP, MLA, Minister of Home and Community proposes

"That this Honourable House do rise to await the arrival of Her Excellency the Governor Mrs Helen Marjorie Kilpatrick, CB to receive a gracious Message from the Throne".

The Question is proposed and put.

The Honourable Acting Speaker suspends the House to meet Her Excellency the Governor.

All rise as the Honourable Acting Speaker, preceded by the Serjeant-at-Arms and followed by the Premier and Leader of the Opposition and the Clerks proceeds to the forecourt of the Building to meet Her Excellency the Governor.

INSPECTION OF THE GUARD OF HONOUR

9:45 am Arrival of Her Excellency the Governor (Met by the Honourable Acting Speaker)

The Honourable Acting Speaker, the Premier, the Leader of Opposition, the Clerk, the Deputy Clerk and Serjeant-at-Arms in attendance, stand at the top of the steps to watch the Inspection of the Guard of Honour.

9:56 am The Honourable Acting Speaker and Clerk escort Her Excellency the Governor and the Governor's Aide-de-Camp inside the Building.

PROCESSION

The Serjeant-at-Arms

The Honourable Acting Speaker

Her Excellency the Governor

The Aide-de-Camp

The Honourable Premier

The Honourable Leader of Opposition

The Clerk of the Legislative Assembly

The Deputy Clerk of the Legislative Assembly

Proceed to the main doors of the Chamber.

The Governor's Aide-de-Camp gives three knocks on the door.

The doors are opened by Officers of the Legislative Department.

As the doors open, the Serjeant-at-Arms heads the Procession and announces: "Her Excellency the Governor".

As the Procession enters the Chamber, ALL STAND.

The Serjeant-at-Arms places the Mace in the lower cradle.

Her Excellency the Governor proceeds to the left and upon reaching the Speaker's dais, takes the Speaker's Chair. The Honourable Acting Speaker takes a seat to the right of Her Excellency and the Aide-de-Camp to the left.

Her Excellency the Governor bows to the right and the left and says "Please be seated". Her Excellency takes her seat.

The Honourable Acting Speaker invites Her Excellency the Governor, to address the House.

THE SPEECH FROM THE THRONE

Her Excellency the Governor delivers the Throne Speech, which is handed to her by the Aide-de-Camp. At the conclusion, the Aide-de-Camp approaches Her Excellency the Governor, bows, and receives a copy of the Speech, bows again and moving backward, turns and gives the copy to the Deputy Clerk to be laid on the Table.

Her Excellency the Governor (all rise), bows to the right and to the left.

The Serjeant-at-Arms approaches the Table.

DEPARTURE OF HER EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR

Procession departs in the following order:

Serjeant-at-Arms The Honourable Acting Speaker Her Excellency the Governor Aide-de-Camp The Honourable Chief Justice Pastor Winston Rose, MBE

THE HONOURABLE ACTING SPEAKER RE-ENTERS

The Serjeant-at-Arms announces: "Mister Speaker" (All stand).

The Honourable Acting Speaker re-enters the Chamber preceded by the Serjeant-at-Arms who lays the Mace in the upper cradle.

RESUMPTION OF THE SITTING OF THE ASSEMBLY

The Honourable Acting Speaker bows to the right and the left and takes the Chair.

The Honourable Acting Speaker calls the House to order.

MOTION OF THANKS TO HER EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR

The Father of the House and Leader of the Opposition Hon W McKeeva Bush, OBE, JP, moves -

"BE IT RESOLVED that this Honourable Legislative Assembly record its grateful thanks to Her Excellency the Governor, Mrs Helen Marjorie Kilpatrick, CB for the Address delivered at this Sitting".

The Question is proposed and put.

MOTION TO DEFER DEBATE ON THE THRONE SPEECH

The Premier, Honourable Alden McLaughlin, MBE, JP, Minister of Home and Community Affairs moves-

"BE IT RESOLVED that the debate on the Address delivered by Her Excellency the Governor, Mrs Helen Marjorie Kilpatrick, CB be deferred until Thursday 29th May, 2014".

The Question is proposed and put.

PRESENTATION OF PAPERS AND OF REPORTS

The Annual Plan and Estimates for the Government of the Cayman Islands for the Financial Year ending 30 June, 2015 together with the Annual Budget Statements for Ministries and Portfolios for the Financial Year ending 30 June 2015, Purchase Agreements for Statutory Authorities, Government Companies and Non-Governmental Output Suppliers for the Year ending 30 June 2015, and Ownership Agreements for Statutory Authorities and Government Companies for the Year ending 30 June 2015.

To be laid upon the Table by the Honourable Marco Archer, Minister of Finance and Economic Development.

STATEMENTS BY HONOURABLE MINISTERS AND MEMBERS OF THE CABINET

Policy Statement

Stability— The Road to Prosperity

By The Premier, Honourable Alden McLaughlin, MBE, JP, Minister of Home and Community Affairs

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS

Bills:

First Reading: The Appropriation (July 2014 to

June 2015) Bill, 2014

Second Reading: The Appropriation (July 2014 to

June 2015) Bill, 2014

BUDGET ADDRESS

To be delivered by the Honourable Marco Archer, Minister of Finance and Economic Development

MOTION FOR THE DEFERRAL OF DEBATE ON THE BUDGET ADDRESS

The Premier, Honourable Alden McLaughlin, MBE, JP, Minister of Home and Community Affairs moves-

"BE IT RESOLVED that the debate on the Budget Address be deferred until Thursday 29th May, 2014".

The Question is proposed and put.

MOTION FOR THE THRONE SPEECH AND BUDGET ADDRESS TO BE DEBATED SIMULTANEOUSLY

The Premier, Honourable Alden McLaughlin, MBE, JP, Minister of Home and Community Affairs moves -

"BE IT RESOLVED that the Throne Speech and Budget Address be debated simultaneously on Thursday 29th May, 2014".

The Question is proposed and put.

MOTION FOR THE ADJOURNMENT

The Premier, Honourable Alden McLaughlin, MBE, JP, Minister of Home and Community Affairs moves the motion for the Adjournment of the House.

The Question is proposed and put.

PROCESSION

The Serjeant-at-Arms (bearing the Mace). The Speaker.

(All stand)

OFFICERS OF THE HOUSE

Mrs. Zena Merren-Chin Clerk of the Legislative Assembly

Mrs. Sharon K. Smith, JP Deputy Clerk of the Legislative Assembly

> Mr J. Kim Evans Serjeant-at-Arms