

THRONE SPEECH AND BUDGET ADDRESS

FIRST MEETING OF THE 2016-2017 SESSION OF THE CAYMAN ISLANDS LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY BUILDING 33 Fort Street, George Town GRAND CAYMAN

> Monday 30th May 2016 9:40 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 Affairs, Health & Culture 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 Community Affairs, Youth & Sports 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 Roy M McTaggart, JP, MLA Second Elected Member for George Town

Mr Joseph X Hew, MLA Sixth Elected Member for George 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

Deputy Leader of the Opposition Third Elected Member for West Bay

Capt A Eugene Ebanks, JP, MLA Fourth Elected Member for West Bay

Independent Members

Mr Anthony S Eden, OBE, MLA

Deputy Speaker First Elected Member for Bodden Town

Mr Alva H Suckoo, MLA Fourth Elected Member for Bodden Town

Mr Winston C Connolly, Jr, MLA Fifth Elected Member for George Town

> Mr D Ezzard Miller, MLA Elected Member for North Side

Mr V Arden McLean, JP, MLA Elected Member for East End

PROGRAMME

Guard of Honour in position. 9:20 am

Members of the Legislative Assembly arrive. 9:25 am

Members of the public arrive.

Pastor Shian O'Connor 9:30 am Officiating Minister arrives.

All Ministers and Members of the Legislative

Assembly and the general public seated.

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

SPEAKER'S PROCESSION (All rise) 9:40 am The Serjeant-at-Arms (bearing the Mace).

> The Honourable Speaker followed by the Clerk and Assistant Clerk.

> The Honourable Speaker proceeds to the Chair and bows to the right and to the left.

PRAYERS

The Honourable Speaker requests the Pastor to say prayers.

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

PROCLAMATION

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

ADMINISTRATION OF OATHS OR AFFIRMATIONS

Oath of Affirmation and Due Execution

(to be administered by the Clerk) by Dr. Dax Basdeo, the Honourable Acting Deputy Governor, responsible for the Portfolio of the Civil Service to be the Temporary ex-officio Member of the Legislative Assembly.

READING BY THE HONOURABLE SPEAKER OF MESSAGES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

MOTION FOR THE SUSPENSION OF THE HOUSE

The Premier, Honourable Alden McLaughlin, MBE, JP, MLA, Minister of Home Affairs, Health & Culture moves;

"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 Speaker suspends the House to meet Her Excellency the Governor.

All rise as the Honourable Speaker, preceded by the Serjeant-at-Arms and followed by the Premier and the Clerks proceed 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 Speaker)

The Honourable Speaker, the Premier, the Clerk, the Assistant 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 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 Speaker
Her Excellency the Governor
The Aide-de-Camp
The Honourable Premier
The Clerk of the Legislative Assembly
The Assistant Clerk of the Legislative Assembly

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 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 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 Assistant 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 Speaker
Her Excellency the Governor
Aide-de-Camp
The Honourable Chief Justice and Mrs. Smellie
Pastor Shian O'Connor

THE HONOURABLE SPEAKER RE-ENTERS

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

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

The Honourable 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 Affairs, Health & Culture moves -

"BE IT RESOLVED that the debate on the Address delivered by Her Excellency the Governor, Mrs Helen Marjorie Kilpatrick, CB be deferred until Wednesday 1st June, 2016".

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 31st December 2017 together with the Annual Budget Statements for Ministries and Portfolios for the Financial Year ending 31st December 2017, Purchase Agreements for Statutory Authorities, Government Companies and Non-Governmental Output Suppliers for the Year ending 30 June 2017, and Ownership Agreements for Statutory Authorities and Government Companies for the Year ending 31st December 2017.

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

"Delivering on our Promises"

By the Premier, Honourable Alden McLaughlin, MBE, JP, Minister of Home Affairs, Health & Culture

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS

Bills:

First Reading:

The Appropriation (July 2016 to

December 2017) Bill, 2016

Second Reading:

The Appropriation (July 2016 to

December 2017) Bill, 2016

BUDGET ADDRESS

"Securing Cayman's Future"

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 Affairs, Health & Culture moves -

"BE IT RESOLVED that the debate on the Budget Address be deferred until Wednesday 1st June, 2016".

The Question is proposed and put.

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

The Premier, Honourable Alden McLaughlin, MBE, JP, Minister of Home Affairs, Health & Culture moves -

"BE IT RESOLVED that the Throne Speech, the Policy Statement and the Budget Address be debated simultaneously on Wednesday 1st June, 2016".

The Question is proposed and put.

MOTION FOR THE ADJOURNMENT

The Premier, Honourable Alden McLaughlin, MBE, JP, Minister of Home Affairs, Health & Culture 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)