



**SUBSTANTIVE
PRIVATE MEMBER'S MOTION NO. 8/08-09**

National Hero

WHEREAS Honourable Ministers and Members are already aware of the necessity to build national pride and to establish role-models which our people, particularly our youth, can emulate;

AND WHEREAS one of the qualities we would seek to encourage is service to our country and, in particular, service to those most vulnerable, such as young children;

AND WHEREAS we all desire to nationally recognize the contribution women have made in these Islands;

AND WHEREAS it has been some time since this Honourable House designated an individual as a National Hero;

BE IT NOW THEREFORE RESOLVED THAT the designation National Hero is bestowed on Miss Mary Evelyn Wood, Certificate of Honour (1900-1978), a nurse, community worker, church leader and the first woman to be elected to this Honourable House as a Member of the Legislative Assembly;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the late Mrs. Joyce Hylton, MBE, a social worker and advocate for the rights of women and children, widely considered the founder of our modern Social Services, the late Miss Beulah McLaughlin, a nurse and midwife at the Cayman Islands Hospital and the late Mrs. Almiria Tomlinson, a mid-wife, are also recognized by designating on them the highest Caymanian honour this Honourable House can give – that of National Hero.

Moved by: Hon. W. McKeeva Bush, OBE, JP, MLA
 Leader of the Opposition
 First Elected Member for West Bay

Seconded by: Mrs. Juliana Y. O'Connor Connolly, OBE, JP, MLA
 First Elected Member for Cayman Brac & Little Cayman

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Passed/Rejected by the Legislative Assembly this day of 2008.

Clerk of the Legislative Assembly