



**MINUTES**  
**OF THE**  
**HONOURABLE JAMAICA HOUSE**  
**OF REPRESENTATIVES**

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At a meeting of the Members of the House of Representatives held pursuant to adjournment at Gordon House in the City and Parish of Kingston on Thursday, the

15<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF APRIL, 2010.

The House met at 2:16 p.m. o'clock.

Prayers were offered by Reverend Ronald Thwaites.

Call of the Roll.

**PRESENT WERE:**

The Honourable Delroy Hawmin Chuck, Speaker

Mrs. Marisa Colleen Dalrymple-Philibert, MP, Deputy Speaker

The Honourable Orette Bruce Golding, MP, Prime Minister & Minister of Defence

The Honourable Karl George Samuda, O.D., MP, Minister of Industry, Commerce and Investment

The Honourable Parnel Patroe Charles, C.D., MP, Minister of Labour and Social Security

The Honourable Rudyard Conrad Spencer, O.D., MP, Minister of Health

The Honourable Neville Andrew Gallimore, MP, Minister of State in the Ministry of Labour and Social Security & Deputy Leader

The Honourable Daryl Wesley Phillip Vaz, MP, Minister without Portfolio in the Office of the Prime Minister, with responsibility for Information and Communication

The Honourable Clifford Everaldo Errol Warmington, MP, Minister of State in the Ministry of Water and Housing

The Honourable Shahine Elizabeth Robinson, MP, Minister of State in the Office of the Prime Minister

The Honourable William James Charles Hutchinson, MP, Minister of State in the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries

The Honourable Robert St. Aubyn Montague, MP, Minister of State in the Office of the Prime Minister

Mr. Noel George Delano Arscott, MP, Clarendon, South Western

Mr. Luther Bartley Monteith Buchanan, MP, Westmoreland, Eastern

Mr. Roger Harold Clifford Clarke, MP, Westmoreland, Central

Dr. Omar Lloyd Davies, MP, St. Andrew, Southern

Dr. Donald Keith Duncan, MP, Hanover, Eastern

Mr. Colin Alfred Alexander Fagan, MP, St. Catherine, South Eastern

Dr. Fenton Rudyard Ferguson, MP, St. Thomas, Eastern

Dr. Morais Valentine Guy, MP, St. Mary, Central

Ms. Lisa Rene Shanti Hanna, MP, St. Ann, South Eastern

Mr. Ian Dave Hayles, MP, Hanover, Western

Mrs. Sharon Merle Hay-Webster, MP, St. Catherine, South Central

Mr. Joseph Uriah Hibbert, MP, St. Andrew, East Rural

Mr. George Anthony Hylton, MP, St. Andrew, Western

Mr. Fitz Arthur Jackson, MP, St. Catherine, Southern

Mr. Derrick Flavius Kellier, C.D., MP, St. James, Southern

Mr. Desmond Gregory Mair, MP, St. Catherine, North Eastern

Dr. Kenneth Wykeham McNeill, MP, Westmoreland, Western

Mr. Clive Arthur Mullings, MP, St. James, West Central

Mrs. Natalie Gaye Neita-Headley, MP, St. Catherine, East Central

Mr. Phillip Feanny Paulwell, MP, Kingston Eastern & Port Royal

Mr. Dean Alexander Peart, C.D., MP, Manchester, North Western

Mr. Michael Anthony Peart, MP, Manchester, Southern

Mr. Tarn Andrew Peralto, MP, St. Mary, South Eastern

Dr. Peter David Phillips, MP, St. Andrew, East Central

Mr. Robert Dixon Pickersgill, MP, St. Catherine, North Western

The Most Honourable Portia Lucretia Simpson Miller, O.N., MP, St. Andrew, South Western

Mr. Derrick Charles Smith, MP, St. Andrew, North Western

Reverend Ronald George Thwaites, MP, Kingston, Central

Mr. Franklyn Robert Witter, MP, St. Elizabeth, South Eastern

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The Clerk laid on the Table of the House a copy of the following:

**Ministry Paper No. 34/10**  
Cabinet Agenda Issues for April 6, 2010  
(*Cabinet Office*)

National Council on Education  
Annual Report and Audited Financial Statements  
for the financial year 2006/2007  
(*Ministry of Education*)

Jamaica Ultimate Tyre Company Limited  
Annual Report and Audited Financial Statements  
for the Financial Years 2002-2006  
(*Ministry of Transport & Works*)

(Mr. Peter Bunting, MP, Manchester, Central, entered and took his seat).

## **NOTICES OF MOTIONS GIVEN ORALLY**

Reverend Ronald Thwaites gave notice that at the next meeting of the House he would move the following motions:

**1.** WHEREAS hundreds of Jamaican are killed or suffer injury and economic loss each year as a result of road accidents;

AND WHEREAS a heavy and unnecessary burden is placed on public expenditure;

AND WHEREAS driver incompetence, indiscipline and incapacity and defective vehicles have been identified as major contributory causes to road accidents:

BE IT RESOLVED that this Honourable House recommend to Government:

(i) The need for a revised code and appropriate enforcing authority for driver education and testing.

(iii) To improve the integrity of the prevailing system of vehicle inspection.

(iii) consider amendments to the Road Traffic Act which:

a) would prescribe mandatory driver re-education for traffic offenders at the discretion of the court.

b) provides for the obligatory recertification of all holders of drivers licenses at intervals of fifteen years after issue.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all of these measure be done at the cost of applicants.

(The Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries, Dr. the Honourable Christopher Tufton, entered and took his seat).

**2.** BE IT RESOLVED that this Honourable House review the policies governing the relationship between the Churches in Jamaica and the State with respect to the sponsoring and support of education with a view to advancing the involvement and influence of religious organizations in expanding educational opportunity and improving quality.

**3.** BE IT RESOLVED that this Honourable House debate the adequacy and affordability of loan financing for students in the Jamaican tertiary education system.

**4.** BE IT RESOLVED that this Honourable House debate the cost of remediation in the public education system and treat with ways in which this can be reduced.

## **PUBLIC BUSINESS**

### **BUDGET DEBATE**

The Leader of the Opposition, the Most Honourable Portia Simpson Miller, continued debate on the motion that the Bill entitled “An Act to Apply a sum out of the Consolidated Fund to the service of the year ending on the 31<sup>st</sup> day of March, 2011 and to appropriate the sums granted in this Session of Parliament” be now read a second time.

(The Minister of Transport and Works, the Honourable Lester Michael Henry, entered and took his seat).

(Mrs. Maxine Henry-Wilson, MP, St. Andrew, South Eastern, entered and took her seat).

(The Minister of Tourism, the Honourable Edmund Bartlett, entered and took his seat).

(The Minister of Finance and the Public Service, the Honourable Audley Shaw, entered and took his seat).

(The Minister of Youth, Sports and Culture, the Honourable Olivia Grange, entered and took her seat).

(Dr. St. Aubyn Bartlett, MP, St. Andrew, Eastern, entered and took his seat).

(The Minister of State in the Ministry of Industry, Commerce and Investment, the Honourable Michael Stern, entered and took his seat).

(Dr. Donald Rhodd, MP, Portland, Eastern, entered and took his seat).

The Leader of the Opposition, having spoken for 30 minutes, the Minister of State in the Ministry of Labour and Social Security and Deputy Leader of the House, the Honourable Neville Andrew Gallimore, moved for the suspension of the Standing Orders to enable her to continue her speech to its conclusion, notwithstanding the time limit on speeches.

Seconded by: Ms. Lisa Hanna.  
Agreed to.

(The Minister of Energy and Mining, the Honourable James Robertson, entered and took his seat).

(Mr. Othneil Lawrence, MP, St. Ann, North Western, entered and took his seat).

(The Minister of Water and Housing, the Honourable Dr. Horace Chang, entered and took his seat).

Further debate on the substantive motion was, by leave, deferred.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

At 4:37 p.m., the Minister of State in the Ministry of Labour and Social Security and Deputy Leader of the House, moved that the House do now adjourn to Tuesday, April 20, 2010 at 2:00 p.m., o'clock.

Seconded by: Mr. Tarn Peralto.

Agreed to.

The House adjourned accordingly.

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Delroy H. Chuck, MP  
***Speaker***