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Iqaluit, Nunavut
Thursday, November 20, 2025

Members Present:

Ms. Gwen Healey Akearok, Mr. David Akeeagok, Ms. Hannah Angootealuk, Ms. Janet Pitsiulaaq Brewster, Mr. George Hickes, Mr. Jamie Kablutsiak, Mr. Gordon Kautuk, Mr. Brian Koonoo, Mr. Simon Kuliktana, Ms. Cecile Nelvana Lyall, Mr. John Main, Mr. Johnny Mike, Mr. Fred Pedersen, Mr. David Porter, Mr. Abraham Qammaniq, Mr. Daniel Qavvik, Mr. Craig Simailak, Mr. Alexander Sammurtok, Mr. Steven Taqtu, Ms. Annie Tattuinee.

>>*House commenced at 13:30*

Item 1: Opening Prayer

Speaker (Mr. David Joanasie) (interpretation): Good afternoon, my fellow colleagues. Before we proceed, Mr. Kaernek, please start with prayer.

>>*Prayer*

Item 2: Election of Speaker

Clerk (Mr. Stephen Innuksuk) (interpretation): Thank you. It is the clerk's duty to inform you that Her Honour the Commissioner of Nunavut will not enter the House until you have chosen the speaker. Is there a motion to appoint the speaker? Ms. Brewster.

Motion 1 – 7(1): Appointment of Speaker

Ms. Brewster: Thank you, Mr. Clerk.

I move, seconded by the Member for Baker Lake, that David Joanasie, Member for South Baffin, do take the chair of this House as Speaker. Thank you, Mr. Clerk.

Clerk (interpretation): The motion is in order. To the motion. All those in favour? Against? The motion is carried. I ask will the mover and the seconder to please escort Mr. Joanasie to the chair.

Speaker (interpretation): Can you hear me? I asked the Sergeant-at-Arms to raise the Mace.

As speaker of the Legislative Assembly of Nunavut, I am honoured to welcome our guests to the House and also everyone in Nunavut who are watching or listening, please be welcome to the first sitting of the 7th Assembly.

I would like to thank all members for the trust and confidence you have placed in me by selecting me to serve as your speaker.

As your speaker, I am committed to upholding the rights and privileges of this institution and its members.

All members can be confident that I will fulfill the responsibilities of the speakership in a manner that is consistent with the office's obligation to demonstrate fairness and impartiality.

Earlier today, all members of this House took their oaths of allegiance and office.

I take this opportunity to thank constituents in South Baffin for their support in the recent election, which ran very well. I can assure all residents of Kimmirut and Kinngait that even though I'm the speaker, I will be advocating for the constituency through the appropriate channels in the appropriate manner.

I wish to take this opportunity to mourn the recent passing of Rebecca Becky Mike, who represented a Nunavut constituency in the territorial legislature prior to division; a member of the Legislative Assembly.

I also take the opportunity to mourn the recent passing of a well-known interpreter, Attima Hadlari, who was a well-known leader in the Kitikmeot and a long-serving interpreter-translator for this institution. We have them and their families in our thoughts, and all their friends.

We will now proceed with the Orders of the Day. At this time I will ask the Clerk to determine if Her Honour the Commissioner of Nunavut is prepared to enter the chamber to deliver the Opening Address. All rise.

Opening Address of the Commissioner of Nunavut

Commissioner Eva Qamaniq Aariak (interpretation): Please be seated.

Mr. Speaker, Premier, Members of the Legislative Assembly, honoured guests and Nunavummiut who are watching these proceedings on TV or online, good afternoon.

Now four years ago this week I delivered the opening address to mark the convening of the 6th Legislative Assembly. At that time the public health state of emergency required that the Visitors' Gallery had to be closed. However, this afternoon it is good to see so many people joining us this afternoon. Please feel welcome.

Earlier today I had the absolute honour of presiding over the swearing-in ceremony for members of the 7th Assembly of Nunavut. I know from personal experience, having gone through it, the feelings that many of you are having today.

A number of you are serving in your second, third or fourth terms of office, and I thank you for your continued commitment to Nunavut and Nunavummiut, because you want to serve them. A number of you are newly elected members, and I thank you for assuming the challenges and responsibilities that accompany public office. You will have to handle many heavy things during your terms in office.

Earlier this week you selected the premier and members of the Executive Council. Formal motions to confirm these selections will be made during today's sitting, and I look forward to signing the official instruments of appointment.

In our territory's non-partisan, consensus style of government, I know that all members of the Legislative Assembly play an important role, and I am confident that you will all make valuable contributions to the deliberations of this House during your terms of office. I know you will work very hard in your seats.

In the coming weeks and months you will focus your collective energy towards defining a mandate for your term, all the things that will be followed until the end of your terms.

Also, as you will be aware, my term of office ends early next year. I look forward to welcoming the appointment of my successor.

I wish to take this opportunity to pay tribute to recently passed members, including the late Rebekah Uqi Williams, who served as Deputy Commissioner from September of 2019 until her passing, when she was the Deputy Commissioner. I'm very grateful to her.

I would also like to thank the current Deputy Commissioner, Lew Philip, for his hard work and support to the office.

I would like to say that it has been a tremendous honour serving as Commissioner of Nunavut. I've been happy in it ever since I got appointed. Over the past half decade I have had the opportunity to spend time in many of our beautiful communities to meet many of our wonderful residents. Having the privilege to bestow awards and honoured on deserving Nunavummiut has been a highlight of my role.

I also wish to acknowledge and thank former speaker Tony Akoak -- I was glad to see you early on, and he's also in the gallery as well -- for the successful Mace Tours in which we both took part, when we would invite the public to see the Mace. Thank you.

I wish to conclude by reflecting on the pride we take in the appointment of Her Excellency Mary Simon as our country's Governor General, and we extend our warmest wishes to His Majesty the King.

I now declare open the first session of the 7th Legislative Assembly. Thank you.

>> *Applause*

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. We will return to the Orders of the Day. Item 3, Ministers' Statements. As the cabinet has not been sworn into office, there will be no Ministers' Statements today.

Item 4: Members' Statements

Item 4, Members' Statements. Before proceeding with member's statements I want to remind all members to raise your hand if you wish to be recognized for your member's statement.

Once I have recognized you, please wait for the light on your desk to come on before you rise and begin speaking. Please stand and speak your statement. Once you're done, please sit down.

I would like to recognize member for Iqaluit-Tasiluk, Mr. Hickes.

Member's Statement 1 - 7(1): Reflections on being Elected to Represent Iqaluit-Tasiluk

Mr. Hickes: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, congratulations on seeking and getting the speaker's chair. As I said yesterday, it's a very honoured position in this Assembly, and I know you will do it justice.

>> *Applause*

Mr. Speaker, none of us would be in this room without our families. I would like to take a moment to really publicly thank my wife Signi and my four daughters, Hope, Jordan, Lilly and Sarah. Without their support, I would not have gone even into my first term, never mind my fourth term.

Mr. Speaker, I would also like to publicly thank my father, George Senior, and his wife Pauline. I still, some people jokingly call him my political advisor and my senior political advisor, and I can't thank him enough for all the advice and direction he's given me over my career and helped me become the member that I am today.

I also couldn't do it without my mom, Carol, and her husband Paul. Again, just the core upbringing and the values and all the teachings that they passed on to me has helped me become the man that I am today. Still not perfect, but I'm working on it every day to make my children proud of me.

Mr. Speaker, I would be remiss if I didn't take a moment to thank my constituents. With the recent boundary changes I met some new faces on the campaign trail. This year I knocked on over 500 doors. It was an exhausting and an exhilarating experience, Mr. Speaker, as I'm sure many constituents learning what direction that they want me to take in this House.

I would also like to thank my colleagues here for electing me to the Executive Council once again. I would like to think I am going to bring that experience that I have had over my previous terms to this table.

It's a very strong room. I'm incredibly proud of everyone in this room. I'm incredibly proud of my cabinet colleagues. I know we have a lot of work and challenges ahead of us, but I also know that we are all up to the task.

With that, I want to congratulate everyone on their appointments. I look forward working with you all for the next four years. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

>> *Applause*

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. According to the list of names that I have, Member for Cambridge Bay, Mr. Pedersen.

Member's Statement 2 - 7(1): Reflections on being Elected to Represent Cambridge Bay

Mr. Pedersen: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. To start, I would like to congratulate yourself in your new role as speaker and to Mr. Main on becoming premier of this Legislative Assembly; congratulations as well to the eight members who have been selected to cabinet.

I would also like to thank the voters of Cambridge Bay for putting their trust in me to represent their concerns in this House. I must also thank my wife and family for supporting me throughout the campaign, because without that support I would not have been able to do this.

Mr. Speaker, I did not put my name for cabinet, as the voters of Cambridge Bay wanted an MLA to sit on this side of the House to be able to ask the government representative tough and credible questions. This is what I will be doing during this 7th Assembly. I will

research the topics, listen with intent, and speak courageously to get the answers that my constituents deserve. Again, this is why they have chosen me to represent them.

I will also support the other members in the Kitikmeot to ensure their ridings receive government investment as well. For too long our communities have seen the least number of investment in terms of infrastructure, locations of headquarter offices, and so on.

Safety and security, the need for additional infrastructure, equality and government operations along with the need for additional food security and housing measures will be my areas of focus.

I will also look to ensure that our government remains transparent and accountable to all residents of Nunavut. All government departments must act in this way to ensure that any new Auditor General reports are favourable.

I am looking forward to show the progress that we, as the members of the 7th Legislative Assembly of Nunavut, have made. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

>> *Applause*

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. According to the list of names Member for Iqaluit-Manirajak, Ms. Healey Akearok.

Member's Statement 3 - 7(1): Reflections on being Elected to Represent Iqaluit-Manirajak

Ms. Healey Akearok (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. (interpretation ends) Congratulations again on your election as speaker.

First I would like to thank Nunavummiut and the voters of Iqaluit-Manirajak for placing their trust in me. I'm humbled to stand here today and to carry the voices, concerns, and hopes of our community into this Assembly. It is an honour, and I do not take it lightly.

I wish to congratulate all of my colleagues, those returning, and those newly elected. Over the last few days of orientation, we've begun learning about each other's strengths, and I look forward to working together in ways that reflect our consensus system and our shared commitment to Nunavummiut.

I would like to acknowledge my family: My parents, Greg and Sylvia Healey; my husband, Jason Akearok; my children, and our many relatives, elders, and friends and neighbours whose guidance I value greatly.

I also want to extend my heartfelt thanks to the volunteers, friends, and helpers who supported my campaign. Your time, energy, and kindness carried me through every step.

I wish to acknowledge my financial agent, Kurt Ejesiak for his support, as well as offer a very special thank you to two of Nunavut's incredible youth leaders, Gwen Natsiq and Alycia Ellia Tiglik (ph). Their guidance and support in our youth activities brought so much joy and strength to the campaign, and I am grateful for their ongoing leadership and commitment to our young people.

I would also like to thank Adam Arreak Lightstone, who previously served as the member for Iqaluit-Manirajak for the past eight years.

Mr. Speaker, there is a lot of work ahead of us. These last ten days of orientation have shown us the depth and complexity of the work, and how much there is to learn. I have also, our colleagues have also shown me something more important, and that is a genuine willingness to among all of us to work together and listen respectfully, and move forward collectively for the benefit of Nunavummiut.

I am grateful to be here and am ready to work, and to serve with integrity and compassion. (interpretation) Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

>> *Applause*

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you as well. Moving on to the Member for Uqqummiut, Member Kautuk.

Member's Statement 4 - 7(1): Reflections on being Elected to Represent Uqqummiut

Mr. Kautuk (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. First of all I would like to extend reply appreciation to my family, my wife, and my two children, and my two grandchildren. And I'm now a great-grandfather.

To my constituents, I want to represent them to the best of my ability and work closely with them and work closely with the members, especially across the table. Thank you and congratulations. Thank you.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. Member for Amittuq. Mr. Qammaniq, it's your turn.

Member's Statement 5 - 7(1): Reflections on being Elected to Represent Amittuq

Mr. Qammaniq (interpretation): Yes, thank you, Mr. Speaker, this is my very first time.

First of all I would like to thank my family for being committed and agreeing to me. And also my constituents. I will represent them to the best of my ability. As well to the table across the table. I nod my head to them. And all my colleagues, I congratulate them because we have huge work ahead of us, and I am very appreciative of that. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Chairman: Thank you as well. Member's Statement. Member for Aivilik, Ms. Angootealuk.

Member's Statement 6 - 7(1): Reflections on being Elected to Represent Aivilik

Ms. Angootealuk (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I would like to thank my Aivilik residents who voted for me, and also to the people who didn't vote for me. I treat you all the same equally. I thank you. I want to provide support to all the people of Aivilik equally.

I want to thank my family, my husband and my children, and my grandchildren. As well I want to mention now who nominated me. I want to thank him for looking and saying that I'm capable. And also as well to our elders who provide advice to me, Angaq Immertaq (ph). When there's no more elders we lose advisors. I thank him for providing advice to me. As well and my finance officer, Donna Eetuk (ph). I thank you as well for providing assistance to me and helping me and for your support. I thank all the people of Coral Harbour who believe in me. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

>> *Applause*

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. To my list, Member for Iqaluit-Niaqunnguu, Mr. Akeeagok.

Member's Statement 7 - 7(1): Reflections on being Elected to Represent Iqaluit-Niaqunnguu

Mr. Akeeagok: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, I am very proud that you are able to now sit in the speaker's chair and I'm grateful. However, we will no longer be in the cabinet together, but I know you did a lot of work in your ministerial ship. I know we will do much work in our 7th Assembly.

I would also like to acknowledge and recognize my family, my children, who always give me support and I'm very grateful. I am able now to sit on my third term with their commitment to supporting me. And I did decide at this round to run for Iqaluit-Niaqunnguu. I realize there are many houses here, and far in between, and sometimes it took me all day to visit many homes. I received a lot of welcoming meeting people, and who gave me a lot of advice here in Iqaluit. I'm grateful for those who welcomed me. And those who did not vote, hopefully next time they will be inspired to

vote. It is unfortunate we didn't have a big show in voters. Hopefully that will change in elections.

I would like to thank all my colleagues, my fellow MLAs, that we are now here sitting as we were elected. Thank you for selecting me for the cabinet, and I will be fully committed to that. I hope we will join our elders and have tea with our elders here in Iqaluit at the elders centre. Our elders and Iqaluitummiut are very welcoming. Hopefully you will in turn show hospitality as well. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. Next on my list, Tununig MLA, Mr. Koonoo.

Member's Statement 8 - 7(1): Reflections on being Elected to Represent Tununig

Mr. Koonoo (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker, and thank you for correcting my name.

First of all I would like to thank my wife, my children, my family for their full support and commitment, and also to the voters in Pond Inlet and those who did not vote as well and I'm very grateful that I am able to sit here. I'm grateful also that I can sit as a minister as trust has been put on me. I'm very grateful.

I'm proud of you, all of you who were elected for your MLA positions, those younger and older members.

I would also like to acknowledge John Main, although he's a Qallunaat. He's the first Qallunaat becoming a premier and you are very fluent in Inuktitut, and people in Nunavut knows your full commitment.

David Joanasie, I am proud that you are able to sit in the speaker's chair.

I would like to work diligently with all of you. Whether we go through hardships or not, we should never waiver as we work together. We want Nunavut moving forward, and we want a good positive future. Although there will be some easy issues to tackle, there will be difficult issues to tackle as well, and we have to focus on what's in our hearts and what's in the best for our people. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. To my list, Rankin Inlet South, Ms. Tattuinee.

Member's Statement 9 - 7(1): Reflections on being Elected to Represent Rankin Inlet South

Ms. Tattuinee (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. First of all I would like to thank those who voted for me. In my visits I thought we have very many houses in Rankin

Inlet, and I was given a lot of support from people and listened to their concerns. I am here because of them. Thank you.

I would like to acknowledge my children, Kyle, Brian and Terry, who always give me support. And I am very proud of them and they are very capable, and also give me strength to myself. And my in-law, who arrived here as well. I'm proud of her and I learned much, how great it is as Inuit and we need to showcase more of our abilities, because we have deep thoughts. In the past we didn't have paper. We used our mind, our memory and learned by observation.

And I stand with my people to be proud to that fact, and I can say as Inuit we are very capable, and as we come to this point we need to be even more capable with difficulties around the world and more focus on Nunavut on the outside. And all of us who are here, we know we will do a very good job. Thank you very much (interpretation ends) I just want to thank everybody for allowing me to be here and to sit at this table and to be a member of the Executive Council. Thank you. Thank you, Mr. Chair.

>> *Applause*

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. To my list again. Hudson Bay MLA, Mr. Qavvik.

Member's Statement 10 - 7(1): Reflections on being Elected to Represent Hudson Bay

Mr. Qavvik: (interpretation) Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Good afternoon, my colleagues and Nunavummiut.

First of all, Mr. Speaker, I would like to show my appreciation that you were selected to be the speaker, and I'm also very proud of our new premier and the cabinet. I know you will work closely together for the benefit of Nunavummiut. And all you MLAs, I'm also very proud that you were able to be elected. It took work to be sitting on the 7th Nunavut Legislative Assembly, as we will take on.

Mr. Speaker, I would like to thank my family, my children, my wife Katie (ph), Sally, Rosa, Linda, Danielle and my grandchild Natisha. My children are the reason why I have committed myself to be here and I work hard in my efforts and I am here for them and my family.

For the past four years I had to travel much here and there as an MLA could say that Iqaluit residents are very welcoming. And it's always great to be welcome by Iqaluummiut.

Last of all, I would like to thank my constituents, the Sanikiluaqmiut, Hudson Bay, who believe in me. I will work very hard to serve them for the next four years. Thank you, Mr. Speaker, for allowing me this time. Thank you.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. Now Arviat South, Mr. Kablutsiak.

Member's Statement 11 - 7(1): Reflections on being Elected to Represent Arviat South

Mr. Kablutsiak (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. First of all, welcome to those watching the televised sitting, and Nunavummiut.

Before I say anything I would like to, I'm thinking of the family who just lost a dear one in Arviat, and while I was running in Arviat for this position, I said I'm going to have them as foundation, and because you believe in me I'm here.

I'm very pleased that you were selected as a speaker, and Premier John Main and I included what my foundation will be and I'm grateful to say NTI president Jeremy Tunraluk, who is here.

I would like to say four things. When I ran I was going to focus on infrastructure, education, and health. Those were part of my campaign program that I shared with Arviatmmuit. And the idea of working together, Jeremy Tunraluk as an example, your Kivalliq Inuit Association and Kitikmeot Inuit Association. And I mention, I'm going to be a listener, and if people express themselves, I will express those to you and I hope we will work together.

One of my campaign promises was for the benefit of our youth. And it was my plan... I just have two minutes. However, my wife, my son, I thank them. And those who went to vote, I thank them dearly. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): I thank you as well. Gjoa Haven MLA, Mr. Porter. Your time.

Member's Statement 12 - 7(1): Reflections on being Elected to Represent Gjoa Haven

Mr. Porter (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. (interpretation ends)
Congratulations, Speaker, Premier, and cabinet. Congratulations.

I would like to extend my gratitude to Mr. Tony Akoak for his tireless effort and dedication to serving Gjoa Haven over three Assemblies.

>> *Applause*

I would like to also thank the community members of Gjoa Haven for electing me to this 7th Assembly. I would like to acknowledge Megan Porter, Greg Nahaglulik, David Akoak and Sonny Porter for putting your names forward in the election.

I want to thank my wife, my family for their support in my journey here. (interpretation) Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. Pangnirtung MLA, Mr. Mike. Your time.

Member's Statement 13 - 7(1): Reflections on being Elected to Represent Pangnirtung

Mr. Mike (interpretation): I would like to express my appreciation to all of you who were elected as MLAs. We are directed by our communities through elections, and we will be speaking on their behalf here. And I want to participate fully as well. First of all, I am pleased, Mr. Speaker, for your selection as speaker and our new premier, John Main, and the ministers.

And also I would like to thank my family, in particular my wife, who I also work with. She was planning to be here but she's not here yet. I was first elected as an MLA and elected as a minister and my wife was an Anglican minister then. When I became a minister, we became both ministers. I can't forget that. My wife is always my biggest supporter, and my children and my grandchildren. And they committed themselves much in this election. I would also like to thank the election in Pangnirtung.

And here in the legislature as a minister questions are directed at you and you have to respond. With the people, Nunavummiut get to understand what the issues are and what people in Nunavut get to see what we are doing.

Recently we just lost my sister, Becky Mike, that you mentioned earlier, thank you. She was an MLA for Pangnirtung, Qikiqtarjuaq, and Clyde River. As MLA for Pangnirtung, Iqaluit, and Pangnirtung, got a fish plant that is still operational. I was also a negotiator and I will be asking questions like a negotiator. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. Member for Netsilik, Ms. Lyall.

Member's Statement 14 - 7(1): Reflections on being Elected to Represent Netsilik

Ms. Lyall: Thank you, Mr. Speaker, and congratulations on your new role as Speaker of the House.

Firstly, I would like to thank the constituents of the Netsilik riding, the communities of Taloyoak and Kugaaruk, for your support and the responsibility you placed in me as your MLA. This is not something I take lightly; and also to the members sitting here, with your faith in me to serve on the Executive Council.

When I first stepped into this House, when I was a teenager, I don't think I imagined myself sitting here, much less on this side of the table, so I would also like to acknowledge our youth and the amazing things that can happen when we work together and believe in ourselves.

Lastly, I would like to thank my family and their endless support and encouragement. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

>> *Applause*

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. Member for Baker Lake. Mr. Simailak.

Member's Statement 15 - 7(1): Reflections on being Elected to Represent Baker Lake

Mr. Simailak (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. First of all I would like to thank God, first of all, for giving me the support, and I have been re-elected and I will be working hard for the next four years. And thank you, Paul Panilak (ph), for being my finance officer.

I would also like to thank everyone sitting here, Tony Akoak, who was our speaker at the last government. I would also like to thank you for reprimanding me at times, when I needed it, and a slap on the wrist. And I thank you for selecting me to sit on the cabinet and I will make sure that I will work very hard with you on behalf of all of the people in Nunavut.

Lastly, I would like to thank my family, my mother and my father, and Marilyn, my partner and our children, Dominic and Iqaluk and Brad, who's here sitting in the gallery. Akanuk (ph), who is currently at home, and Lilly, my daughter who is also here, and Maggie, panik and our grandchildren I thank you all for supporting me. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. Member's Statement. Member for Quttiktuq, Mr. Taqtu.

Member's Statement 16 - 7(1): Reflections on being Elected to Represent Quttiktuq

Mr. Taqtu: (interpretation) Thank you, Mr. Speaker, and I congratulate you for your selection to be the speaker and also to our premier, Mr. John Main. I have great hope that we will be working together and I'm sure sometime in the future I'll stop shaking when I start talking.

First of all, my wife for her support, and my children. And for encouraging, Jeremy Tunraluk for encouraging me to apply. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Member for Iqaluit-Sinaa, Ms. Brewster.

Member's Statement 17 - 7(1): Reflections on being Elected to Represent Iqaluit-Sinaa

Ms. Brewster: Thank you, Mr. Speaker, and congratulations. I'm so happy to see you sitting in that chair, and I'm so grateful to our former speaker for his guidance and I look forward to working with you.

I also want to congratulate Mr. Main and everybody who is sitting around this circle today. I know that you all worked really hard to get here, and that we've all been working really hard over the last couple every weeks to get oriented. I feel a great deal of faith in our ability to work together as hard as we can for Nunavummiut.

I'm so grateful that you've entrusted me to serve on cabinet and I hope that we can work well together and I can say that I sincerely hope that I never let you down. I certainly will try not to.

Mr. Speaker, I would like to thank my constituents of Iqaluit-Sinaa for their continued faith in me and for every conversation and reconnection that took place during the campaign period. We have really beautiful people and I'm so humbled to be here to represent them again. Thank you.

And the elders that I connected with, especially those at the Qammaq, because now I'm old enough to go to the Qammaq. They gave me so much advice and were so uplifting. I look forward to continue to connect with them at the Qammaq and elsewhere on the basis.

I have to thank my parents, Betty and Dave who are watching today, my children, Taktu, Ashevak, Napatchie, and my girl Nee, who is back, and all of our relations for their support.

Mr. Speaker, I am immensely grateful for the hard work that our public servants do for our people every single day.

Mr. Speaker, I seek unanimous consent to conclude my member's statement. This is just an example of how to do it. Thank you.

Speaker (interpretation): The member is seeking unanimous consent to conclude her statement. Are there any nays? I don't hear any nays. Please proceed, Ms. Brewster.

Ms. Brewster: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I really did plan that.

Again, Mr. Speaker, I am immensely grateful for the hard work that our public servants do for our people every single day, and I promise not to give anything away, but I look forward to reconnecting with a new set of public servants as my own role evolves in serving the public of Nunavut.

I'm also looking forward to continue to serve with integrity and with the needs of my constituents and all Nunavummiut at the forefront of my mind and my heart. And Mr. Speaker, my Auntie Cathy is here, so I have to say with all my heart and with my liver and kidneys, too. Thank you.

>> *Applause*

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. Following my list of names, Arviat and Tikirarjuaq, Mr. Main.

Member's Statement 18 - 7(1): Reflections on being Elected to Represent Arviat North-Whale Cove

Mr. Qammaniq (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. First of all, I recognize your role the seat seems to fit perfectly, and you know the House rules and everything else. I know that you will fit your role perfectly.

First of all, I will speak as a regular member at this time. To the people of Arviat, I send my condolences to the families that have lost their family member.

I am here because I was elected by my riding. I thank both the people who voted for me or not, but I will represent them equally.

My wife, Amanda and my children, who always supported me throughout the whole campaign process. My son asked me if I was going to be elected again, so I said don't worry about it. Don't deal with politics, because you're just a child yet.

During my nomination, I would like to give the people who support me, Brian Arvulak (ph), Jack Bitagu (ph) and the singers, because of (indiscernible) everybody would leave the community hall, but usually when there's a band up, people coming to hear them. David Komitsiaq (ph), William Barr(ph), Isumatadlua amalu Allan Voisey.

Mr. Speaker, I have additional comments. I seek unanimous consent to conclude my statement. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): The member is seeking unanimous consent to conclude his statement. Are there any nays? I don't hear any nays. Mr. Main, please proceed.

Mr. Qammaniq (interpretation): The supporters, Paul Mikiunak (ph), who was my finance officer, Doreen Hannah (ph), Eric Anowee (ph) junior, and in Tikiraryuaq Maun Natak and Rita Porterlu (ph), who have always shown their friendship. And Michael. And many others who supported me during the campaign trail.

I visited people, talked with different people, like Mr. Akeeagok. You do a lot of walking. We walked every day. But what we heard from the people is what matters. They gave us what they thought. They gave us ideas of what we can do, what they would like to see, and what they would like us to do. We have been given direction by the people that we represent to do a task. They support us. And what they say is not always good, but because the government currently needs restructuring.

But the people that we represent, that will be our platform for the next four years, and what they say to us comes from their heart, in order to see a better Nunavut, in order to gain, or obtain. Sitting here, we are all members of the Legislative Assembly. The Legislative Assembly is not one. Working together, the chambers, and what I thought at that time was cooperation and working together in the House. Let's use our roles to properly represent the people of Nunavut. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): I say thank you to you, too. The last person will be the member for Rankin Inlet North-Chesterfield Inlet, Mr. Alex Sammurtok.

Member's Statement 19 - 7(1): Reflections on being Elected to Represent Rankin Inlet North-Chesterfield Inlet

Mr. Sammurtok (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, I would like to thank my helpers and all those who helped me during the election, my wife Michelle and Shawn, my daughter Cindy, Lloyd, Benel, and Christie (ph) and everybody who voted for me in Rankin Inlet and Chesterfield Inlet. I thank you very much.

When I was visiting you expressed your deep thoughts, and for the next four years I will try and do the things that I was asked to do, along with my fellow MLAs. Nothing is impossible if we work together, and we have to do there to build Nunavut.

And my finance person, I want to thank that person, too. Tom Sammurtok, thank you very much. You always help me. When I get confused I call you and he advises me. I think you all, some of you know who he is, Tom Sammurtok. He was a member of the 4th Assembly. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you, too. I apologize if I made a mistake. This is the actual last person to speak. Member for Kugluktuk, Mr. Kuliktana. You may begin.

Member's Statement 20 - 7(1): Reflections on being Elected to Represent Kugluktuk

Mr. Kuliktana: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. First and foremost I would like to congratulate every member that was elected to this House. Also, I would also like to thank Stanley Anablak and Bobby Anavilok for putting their names forward. It took courage and commitment and genuine desire to serve our community, and I would like to thank you for contributing to our democratic process.

To my constituents, thank you for putting your trust in me. In your place I look forward to working for you and with you. I am here because of you, and I will dedicate myself to representing your needs, your priorities, and your hopes for our community.

I would like to acknowledge my children and my grandchildren, Quentin, Winter, Shawn and Tundra. Without their support I wouldn't be here today.

At this time I would like to honour someone very special, and that's been a very important in my life, my late wife Mary Kuliktana, who was truly the heart and soul of Kugluktuk. She spent her life caring for people, leading passionately but powerfully, and believing deeply in the strength of Kugluktuk and our community. Her spirit guides me every day and I will carry her values with me in this work.

I am humbled to be sitting at there table with every one of you today, and I'm ready to get to work for the hard work for the next four years. *Quana*. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

>> *Applause*

Speaker (interpretation): I say thank you to you as well. We will proceed with Orders of the Day. Number 5, Recognition of Visitors in the Gallery. I will write your names down as you raise your hand. We will start off with the Member for Baker Lake, Mr. Simailak.

Item 5: Recognition of Visitors in the Gallery

Mr. Simailak: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Thank you for making me first. I mention two of my children, Brad Singaqti and his sister Lilly Ukpaticu.

>>Applause

They were visiting with me in Iqaluit for this swearing-in ceremony. Thank you for coming here with me. I would like to recognize our former speaker, Tony Akoak. Thank you again for the last five years.

>>Applause

And our Nunavut Tunngavik president, Jeremy Tunraluk. I look forward to the next four years of working together for the benefit of Nunavummiut. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

>>Applause

Chairman: Thank you. According to my list, the Member for Rankin Inlet North-Chesterfield Inlet, Mr. Sammurtok.

Mr. Sammurtok (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I would like to recognize Tony Akoak in the House. Thank you. And also Goretti Kakuktinniq. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. Please feel welcome. Member for Iqaluit-Sinaa, Ms. Brewster.

Ms. Brewster: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. First of all, welcome, everybody, to your House. I'm so happy to see so many people.

Mr. Speaker, I would like to recognize my Uncle Takolik, Bobby Lyall.

>>Applause

He's the person who started off nearly every conversation new conversation with me when we see each other after a time he would say are you still philosophical, and I can say I am. Thanks to him. Mr. Speaker, my auntie Cathy Myer is here as well. Welcome to your House.

>>Applause

As well I would also like to say a special welcome to Cookie (ph) in the House. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Please feel welcome, all of you. Next person will be the Member for Arviat North and Whale Cove, Mr. Main.

Mr. Qammaniq (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, the people that were already recognized but I would like to recognize them again, the president of Nunavut Tunngavik Incorporated, Jeremy Tunraluk. I have worked with him in the past and I will work with him again for the future.

And also the past chairman, president of Nunavut Tunngavik Incorporated, Aluki Kotierk. Please feel welcome in the Legislative Assembly.

I know we're still working on behalf of the people of Nunavut. Please feel welcome. And our former speaker and major Toronto Maple Leafs fan, a diehard fan like me, Tony Akoak. You were always welcoming. I thank you. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. According to the list, Member for Iqaluit-Niaqunnguu, Mr. Akeeagok.

Mr. Akeeagok (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I would like to recognize, they were already mentioned, but the president of Nunavut Tunngavik Incorporated, Jeremy Tunraluk and my Gorretti Kakuktinniq. I recognize you.

And our former speaker, Mr. Tony Akoak and my electors, your family, your daughter, Emily, Joanasie, Qulittalik, Cynthia. Now where are they? They must have left, the younger ones must have left. I recognize them as well. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. Please feel welcome. Member for Arviat South, Mr. Kablutsiak.

Mr. Kablutsiak (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I would like to recognize two people that are in the House today, my wife Norma Jean, and Presley James. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

>> *Applause*

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. Recognition of Visitors in the Gallery. We are still on item number 5 in the Orders of the Day. Member for Netsilik, Ms. Lyall.

Ms. Lyall: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I would also like to recognize my Uncle Bob for all the joy and laughter you bring to our houses. If I'm funny it's probably because of him. And also my Aunt Kathy for all the love and support that you bring as well.

I would also like to recognize former speaker Akoak for being such an amazing role model for us all and really to show us what we can achieve by working together.

I would also like to recognize former NTI president Aluki Kotierk. It was a pleasure working with you and really for showcasing how important it is to work with our youth and work with our communities, and I learned so much from you. Thank you. And also our current NTI president, Jeremy Tunraluk. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

>> *Applause*

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. Recognition of Visitors in the Gallery. I have no more names -- oh, my apologies. Member for Amittuq, Mr. Qammaniq.

Mr. Qammaniq (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I am proud. I have no idea that I would ever sit here. I recognize my precious Isaiah and Roseanna, my children, and Jeremy, the chairman of Nunavut Tunngavik Incorporated. I sat on the Qikiqtani board.

Speaker (interpretation): Please feel welcome to the Assembly.

Any more? Does anybody else wish to recognize visitors to the gallery? Myself, I would like to welcome, when I am now the speaker. My family are here. I would like to welcome them. First of all I would like my wife to stand, Emily Joanasie. Please let's welcome her. And what I'm wearing, she made them and she's very good at making fur clothing. And I thank her.

And right next to her, Aluki Kotierk. Please feel welcome to the House. And her daughter, Siku Rohas (ph) please feel welcome to the Assembly.

And my children; four of them are here: My oldest daughter, Cynthia Joanasie, and Qulittalik Joanasie, and my precious daughters Pattaaluk Joanasie and Pattu Joanasie. I would like to also recognize my nephew is here, my older brother's daughter, Marianne Audla (ph). Please welcome you too.

Back to the Orders of the Day. Item number 6, Oral Questions. As our ministers have not yet been sworn into office, there will be no oral question period. I know from personal experience that although members sitting to my left may be disappointed to hear this news, however you won't get the opportunity today. And members sitting to my right.

We will proceed to item number 7, Written Questions. The ministers having not yet been sworn into office, there will be no Written Questions today.

Item number 8, Petitions. Are there any petitions? I don't believe so. Reports of Standing and Special Committees on Bills and Other Matters. As the House has not yet established the standing committees, there will be no reports today.

Item 10: Tabling of Documents

Tabled Document 1 - 7(1): Elections under the Supplementary Retirement Allowances Act

Item number 10, Tabling of Documents. I want to table one document. This one document tabled today which is a list of elections under the *Supplementary Retirement Allowances Act*. They will be tabled. I table that document.

Item 11. I believe that is Notices of Motion. First I will recognize the Member for Rankin Inlet North-Chesterfield Inlet, Mr. Sammurtok.

Item 11: Notices of Motion

Motion 2 - 7(1): Appointment of Premier - Notice

Mr. Sammurtok (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. On Monday, November 24, 2025 I will move the following motion:

NOW THEREFORE I MOVE, seconded by the Member for Aivilik, that the Legislative Assembly recommends to the Commissioner of Nunavut that John Main, Member for Arviat North-Whale Cove, be appointed Premier of Nunavut and member of Executive Council.

Mr. Speaker, at the appropriate time I will seek unanimous consent to deal with this motion today. Thank you.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. I will now recognize the Member for Cambridge Bay, Mr. Pedersen.

Motion 3 - 7(1): Appointments to the Executive Council - Notice

Mr. Pedersen: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I give notice that on Monday, November 24, 2025, I will move the following motion:

NOW THEREFORE I MOVE, seconded by the Hon. Member for Pangnirtung, that the Legislative Assembly recommends to the Commissioner of Nunavut that the following members be appointed to the Executive Council:

- Gwen Healey Akearok, Member for Iqaluit-Manirajak;
- David Akeeagok, Member for Iqaluit-Niaqunngu;
- Janet Pitsiulaaq Brewster, Member for Iqaluit-Sinaa;
- George Hickes, Member for Iqaluit-Tasiluk;
- Brian Koonoo, Member for Tununiq;
- Cecile Nelvana Lyall, Member for Netsilik;
- Craig Simailak, Member for Baker Lake; and
- Annie Tattuinee, Member for Rankin Inlet South.

Mr. Speaker, at the appropriate time I will seek unanimous consent to deal with my motion today.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. I will now recognize Member for Iqaluit-Manirajak, Mr. Hickes.

Motion 4 - 7(1): Appointment of Deputy Speaker - Notice

Mr. Hickes: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, I give notice that on Monday, November 24, 2025 I will move following motion:

NOW THEREFORE I MOVE, seconded by the Hon. Member for Quttiktuq, that Fred Pedersen, Member for Cambridge Bay, be appointed Deputy Speaker of the Legislative Assembly.

Mr. Speaker, at the appropriate time I will seek unanimous consent to deal with my motion today. Thank you.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you as well. I will now recognize Mr. Pedersen again.

Motion 5 - 7(1): Appointments of Deputy Chairpersons of the Committee of the Whole - Notice

Mr. Pedersen: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I give notice that on Monday, November 24, 2025 I will move the following motion:

NOW THEREFORE I MOVE, seconded by the Hon. Member for Pangnirtung, that Jamie Kablutsiak, Member for Arviat South and Simon Kuliktana, Member for Kugluktuk, be appointed Deputy Chairpersons of Committee of the Whole.

Mr. Speaker, at the appropriate time I will seek unanimous consent to deal with my motion today.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. We're on item number 11. Let me recognize the Member for Aivilik, Ms. Angootealuk.

Motion 6 - 7(1): Appointments to the Management and Services Board - Notice

Ms. Angootealuk: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I give notice that on Monday, November 24, 2025 I will be moving the following motion:

NOW THEREFORE I MOVE, seconded by the Member for Kugluktuk, that the following members be appointed to the Management and Services Board:

- Hon. George Hickes, member for Iqaluit-Tasiluk;
- Gordon Kautuk, Member for Uqqummiut;
- Johnny Mike, Member for Pangnirtung; and
- Daniel Qavvik, Member for Hudson Bay;

AND FURTHER, I move that the Hon. Craig Simailak, Member for Baker Lake, be appointed an alternate Ministerial member of the Management and Services Board.

Mr. Speaker, at the appropriate time I will seek unanimous consent to deal with my motion today. (interpretation) Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you as well. Member for Uqqummiut, Mr. Kautuk.

Motion 7 - 7(1): Appointments to the Striking Committee - Notice

Mr. Kautuk: I give notice that on Monday, November 24, 2025 I will move the following motion:

NOW THEREFORE I MOVE, seconded by the Hon. Member for Cambridge Bay, that the following members be appointed to the Striking Committee:

- David Porter, Member for Gjoa Haven;
- Abraham Qammaniq, Member for Amittuq; and
- Daniel Qavvik, Member for Hudson Bay.

Mr. Speaker, at the appropriate time I will seek unanimous consent to deal with my motion today. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Chairman: Thank you as well. Let me recognize the Member for Rankin Inlet West-Chesterfield Inlet, Mr. Sammurtok.

Motion 8 - 7(1): Extended Adjournment - Notice

Mr. Sammurtok: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, I give notice that on Monday, November 24, 2025 I will move the following motion:

I MOVE, seconded by Hon. Member of Iqaluit-Niaqunnguu, pursuant to the provision of rule 3, that when the House concludes today's sitting it shall be adjourned until March 5, 2026. Mr. Speaker, at the appropriate time I will seek unanimous consent to deal with my motion today. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. Orders of the Day. Item 12. If I'm correct I think we're on item 12. Notices of Motions For First Reading of Bills. If there are none, we will move on.

Item 13, Motions. Member for Rankin Inlet North-Chesterfield Inlet, Mr. Sammurtok.

Item 13: Motions

Mr. Sammurtok: Mr. Speaker, I seek unanimous consent to deal with my motion today. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. The member is seeking unanimous consent to deal with his motion today. Are there any nays? I don't hear a nay. Please proceed.

Motion 2 - 7(1): Appointment of Premier

Mr. Sammurtok: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker,

WHEREAS section 60 of the *Legislative Assembly and Executive Council Act* provides that the Premier of Nunavut shall be chosen from among the Members of the Legislative Assembly and appointed by the Commissioner on the recommendation of the Legislative Assembly;

AND WHEREAS the Legislative Assembly is prepared to recommend an appointment;

NOW THEREFORE I MOVE, seconded by the Hon. Member for Aivilik, that the Legislative Assembly recommends to the Commissioner of Nunavut that John Main, Member for Arviat North-Whale Cove, be appointed Premier of Nunavut and member of the Executive Council.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. The motion is in order. To the motion. All those in favour, please raise your hand. Opposed? The motion is carried.

>> *Applause*

Speaker (interpretation): Motions. Member from Cambridge Bay, Mr. Pedersen.

Mr. Pedersen: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I seek unanimous consent to deal with my motion today.

Speaker (interpretation): The member is seeking unanimous consent to deal with his motion today. There are any nays? There are no nays. Please proceed.

Motion 3 - 7(1): Appointments to the Executive Council

Mr. Pedersen: Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

WHEREAS section 60 of the *Legislative Assembly and Executive Council Act* provides that the Executive Council of Nunavut shall be composed of persons appointed by the Commissioner on the recommendation of the Legislative Assembly;

AND WHEREAS the Legislative Assembly is prepared to recommend appointments;

NOW THEREFORE I MOVE, seconded by the Hon. Member for Pangnirtung, that the Legislative Assembly recommends to the Commissioner of Nunavut that the following Members be appointed to the Executive Council:

- Gwen Healey Akearok, Member for Iqaluit-Manirajak;
- David Akeegok, Member for Iqaluit-Niaqunnguu;
- Janet Pitsiulaaq Brewster, Member for Iqaluit-Sinaa;
- George Hickes, Member for Iqaluit-Tasiluk;
- Brian Koonoo, Member for Tununiq;
- Cecile Nelvana Lyall, Member for Netsilik;
- Craig Simailak, Member for Baker Lake; and
- Annie Tattuinee, Member for Rankin Inlet South.

Thank you.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. The motion is in order. To the motion?

A Member (interpretation): Question.

Speaker (interpretation): The question is being called. All those in favour? Opposed? The motion is carried.

>> *Applause*

Motions. Mr. Hickes.

Mr. Hickes: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, I seek unanimous consent to deal with my motion today.

Speaker (interpretation): The member is content to deal with his motion today. Are there any nays? There are none. You may proceed.

Motion 4 - 7(1): Appointment of Deputy Speaker

Mr. Hickes: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Thank you colleagues. Mr. Speaker.

WHEREAS section 42 of the *Legislative Assembly and Executive Council Act* provides that the Legislative Assembly shall, at its first session, elect a Deputy Speaker;

AND WHEREAS the Legislative Assembly is prepared to make an appointment;

NOW THEREFORE I MOVE, seconded by the Honourable Member for Quttiktuq, that Fred Pedersen, Member for Cambridge Bay, be appointed Deputy Speaker of the Legislative Assembly.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. The motion is in order. To the motion. Those in favour? Opposed? Motion is carried. Cambridge Bay MLA, Mr. Pedersen.

Mr. Pedersen: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I am seeking unanimous consent to deal with my motion today. Thank you.

Speaker (interpretation): The MLA is seeking unanimous consent to deal with his motion. Any nays? Not hearing any. Carry on, Mr. Pedersen.

Motion 5 - 7(1): Appointments of Deputy Chairpersons of the Committee of the Whole

Mr. Pedersen (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

WHEREAS section 43 of the *Legislative Assembly and Executive Council Act* provides that the Legislative Assembly shall, at its first session, elect two Deputy Chairpersons of the Committee of the Whole;

AND WHEREAS the Legislative Assembly is prepared to make appointments;

NOW THEREFORE I MOVE, seconded by the Honourable Member for Pangnirtung, that Jamie Kablutsiak, Member for Arviat South, and Simon Kuliktana, Member for Kugluktuk, be appointed Deputy Chairpersons of the Committee of the Whole.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. The motion is in order. To the motion.

A Member (interpretation): Question.

Speaker (interpretation): The question is being called. Vote. All those in favour? Opposed? The motion is carried.

>> *Applause*

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. Amittuq MLA, Ms. Angootealuk.

Motion 6 - 7(1): Appointments to the Management and Services Board

Ms. Angootealuk: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I seek unanimous consent to deal with my motion today.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. The MLA is seeking unanimous consent to deal with his motion. Any nays? Not hearing any, carry on.

Ms. Angootealuk: Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

WHEREAS section 38 of the *Legislative Assembly and Executive Council Act* provides that the Legislative Assembly shall, at its first session, appoint Members to the Management and Services Board;

AND WHEREAS the Legislative Assembly is prepared to make appointments;

NOW THEREFORE I MOVE, seconded by the Honourable Member for Kugluktuk, that the following Members be appointed to the Management and Services Board:

- The Hon. George Hickes, Member for Iqaluit-Tasiluk;
- Gordon Kautuk, Member for Uqqummiut;
- Johnny Mike, Member for Pangnirtung; and

- Daniel Qavvik, Member for Hudson Bay.

AND FURTHER, I move that the Honourable Craig Simailak, Member for Baker Lake, be appointed an alternate ministerial member of the Management and Services Board.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Chairman (interpretation): Thank you. The motion is in order. To the motion? Vote. Those in favour? Opposed? Abstentions? The motion is carried.

>> *Applause*

Member for Uqqummiut, Mr. Kautuk.

Mr. Kautuk: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, I seek unanimous consent to deal with my motion today.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. The member is seeking unanimous consent to deal with his motion. Are there any nays? There are no nays. Mr. Kautuk, you may proceed.

Motion 7 - 7(1): Appointments to the Striking Committee

Mr. Kautuk: WHEREAS Rule 83 of the *Rules of the Legislative Assembly of Nunavut* provides that the Legislative Assembly shall, at its first sitting after a general election, appoint a Striking Committee of at least three Members to report and recommend, with all convenient speed, Members to comprise Standing Committees of the Legislative Assembly;

AND WHEREAS the Legislative Assembly is prepared to make appointments;

NOW THEREFORE I MOVE, seconded by the Honourable Member for Cambridge Bay, that the following Members be appointed to the Striking Committee:

- David Porter, Member for Gjoa Haven;
- Abraham Qammaniq, Member for Amittuq; and
- Daniel Qavvik, Member for Hudson Bay.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Chairman (interpretation): Thank you. The motion is in order. To the motion. Those in favour? Opposed? Abstentions? The motion is carried.

Member for Rankin Inlet North-Chesterfield Inlet, Mr. Sammurtok.

Mr. Sammurtok: Mr. Speaker, I seek anonymous consent to deal with my motion today. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): The member is seeking unanimous consent to deal with his motion today. Are there any nays? There are no nays. Mr. Sammurtok, you may proceed.

Motion 8 - 7(1): Extended Adjournment

Mr. Sammurtok: Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I MOVE, seconded by the Hon. Member for Iqaluit-Niaqunngu, pursuant to the provisions of Rule 3, that when the House concludes today's sitting, it shall be adjourned until March 5, 2026.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. The motion is in order. To the motion? Vote. Those in favour? Opposed? Abstentions, none. The motion is carried. Thank you. Ms. Brewster.

Ms. Brewster: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, I seek unanimous consent to return to item number 5 on the Orders of the Day. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. The member wishes to revert back to item 5. Agreed? Agreed. Ms. Brewster, carry on.

Item 5: Recognition of Visitors in the Gallery

Ms. Brewster: Colleagues, it gives me a great deal of pleasure and pride to welcome to our House Nuvalinga Betty Brewster. Many of you will know her from her work interpreting and translating during the negotiations of the *Land Claims Agreement*. And many public servants will remember her for her hard work translating every single law that we look at and that we have to refer to in Nunavut. I would just like to say thank you and welcome to your House, *Anaana*.

>> *Applause*

Ms. Brewster: Mr. Speaker, my Aunty Chris is here, along with her granddaughter, Cierra, and I would like to welcome you to your House. Thank you all colleagues, and thank you, Mr. Speaker.

>> *Applause*

Speaker (interpretation): I also thank you, and I would like to welcome you, Ms. Betty Brewster, and visitors in the Assembly.

First reading of bills. Moving on. Second Reading of Bills; none. Item 16, Orders of the Day. I would like to remind you, my apologies. Mr. Clerk.

Item 16: Orders of the Day

Clerk: Immediately following the conclusion of today's sitting. Orders of the Day for March 5, 2026:

1. (interpretation) Prayer
2. Ministers' Statements
3. Members' Statements
4. Returns to Oral Questions
5. Recognition of Visitors in the Gallery
6. Oral Questions
7. Written Questions
8. Returns to Written Questions
9. Replies to the Opening Address
10. Petitions
11. Responses to Petitions
12. Reports of Standing and Special Committees on Bills and Other Matters
13. Tabling of Documents
14. Notices of Motion
15. Notices of Motions for First Reading of Bills
16. Motions
17. First Reading of Bills
18. Second Reading of Bills
19. Consideration in Committee of the Whole of Bills and Other Matters
20. Report of the Committee of the Whole
21. Third Reading of Bills
22. *Orders of the Day.*

Thank you.

>> *Applause*

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. To remind members and Nunavummiut that the ministers will be sworn in and along with our new premier at 4:30 in this House. That's all for today. We are adjourned. Sergeant-at-Arms.

>> *House adjourned at 15:11*

