



# HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY

SESSION OF 2019

(SECOND SESSION OF THE FORTY-NINTH PARLIAMENT)

## NOTICES OF MOTION

No. 1

THURSDAY, 11 APRIL 2019

### Notices of Motion

- 1 The Minister for Disability Services and Community Development to move—That the House:—
  - (1) 17-24 March 2019 was Harmony Week and 21 March 2019 was Harmony Day, an annual celebration of our cultural diversity held on the same day as the United Nations International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination.
  - (2) The theme for Harmony Week is 'Everyone Belongs' as it is in all of our interests to build a Tasmania that is harmonious, inclusive and a respectful place to live where people from every corner of the world can belong, contribute, achieve and succeed together.
  - (3) The colour orange represents Harmony Day, as orange signifies social communication, meaningful conversation, freedom of ideas and encouragement of mutual respect.
  - (4) Australia today, is one of the most successful multicultural countries in the world, and according to the 2016 ABS census, more than 61,200 Tasmanians, or over 12% of our population, were born overseas. Tasmanians now come from 177 different countries, with 159 identified languages spoken in Tasmanian homes.
  - (5) This wonderful diversity contributes to Tasmania's success as a multicultural community, and also brings with it exciting economic and social benefits that enhance every aspect of Tasmanians' day-to-day lives.
  - (6) Every day, Tasmania benefits from the skills, knowledge, experiences, innovation, job creation and personal contributions of our culturally, linguistically and religiously diverse community.
  - (7) The Multicultural Council of Tasmania, multicultural organisations, multicultural communities and government agencies have all helped to organise, coordinate and hold events in Harmony Week 2019, which will promote unity, understanding and respect for all individuals who call Tasmania home.
  - (8) The Hodgman Liberal Government is committed to a truly inclusive multicultural island that is a very welcoming and harmonious place to live and continues Tasmania's multicultural success. (21 March 2019)
- 2 The Minister for Primary Industry and Water to move—That the House:—
  - (1) Recognises that the Bushy Park Show was held on 16 February 2019 at the Bushy Park Showgrounds.
  - (2) Notes that the Show, initially established in 1865 as a garden show, is one of the oldest regional shows in Australia and has grown over the years to showcase local produce and entertainment in a family friendly and country style manner.
  - (3) Further notes that the Show featured wood chopping and equestrian sporting events as well as traditional cattle and sheep showing competitions including handler events.
  - (4) Acknowledges the support of the Hodgman Liberal Government to the show with:—

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- (a) a \$2,000 grant made available to the Bushy Park Show Society for the purchase of a lawnmower and installation of a rainwater tank that were used to maintain and prepare the showgrounds; and
    - (b) a \$9,000 grant to the Show Society from the 2018-2019 Tasmanian Government Agricultural Show Development Grants Program, which supports regional shows across the state, that was used for re-surfacing the internal showground roads.
  - (5) Congratulates the Bushy Park show committee, organisers of this superb event, for their continued outstanding efforts. (21 March 2019)
- 3** The Minister for Primary Industry and Water to move—That the House:—
  - (1) Recognises that the Kempton Festival was held on 17 February 2019 at the Kempton Recreation ground.
  - (2) Notes that highlights of the 2019 event included the ever-popular sheep racing events, wood chopping demonstrations and traditional skills such as sheep shearing and a working blacksmith display.
  - (3) Celebrates that events such as this demonstrate how community spirit is alive and well in the Southern Midlands and acknowledges that rural and regional shows are an important part of rural communities.
  - (4) Congratulates the Green Ponds Progress Association and the Southern Midlands community for organising the festival, a community event celebrating and showcasing rural and village life. (21 March 2019)
- 4** The Minister for Primary Industries and Water to move—That the House:—
  - (1) Recognises that the Chudleigh Agricultural and Horticultural Show was held on 16 February 2019.
  - (2) Notes that the Show, first celebrated in 1889, is one of Tasmania's oldest agricultural shows, with the 2019 event showcasing and promoting the local agricultural industries, as well as fine local produce and entertainment.
  - (3) Further notes that a feature of the Chudleigh Pastoral Show were events featuring poultry, cattle, sheep, horses, dairy heifers and sheep dogs, competing for "best of show".
  - (4) Acknowledges the support of the Hodgman Liberal Government for the Chudleigh Agricultural and Pastoral Show through:—
    - (a) a \$15,000 grant for essential infrastructure and maintenance I was pleased to help secure; and
    - (b) a \$4,730 grant provided under the 2018-2019 Tasmanian Government Agricultural Development Grants Program for commentary box and building upgrades.
  - (5) Congratulates the Chudleigh Agricultural & Horticultural Society, organisers of this superb event, on the success again of this year's event and particular thanks given to Josh Smith, President and the rest of the organising committee. (21 March 2019)
- 5** The Minister for Primary Industries and Water to move—That the House:—
  - (1) Recognises that the second Deloraine Street Car show was held on 17 February 2019.
  - (2) Notes, that in its fourth year, the 2019 Deloraine Street Car Show is the only street-based car show in Tasmania, drawing approximately 10,000 people to the town to enjoy the hundreds of pre-1988 vehicles on display, along with live bands, children's entertainment and attractions creating for families.
  - (3) Further notes that these special interest vehicles are an historic link to our motoring past, and can be appreciated as works of art, with many painstaking hours put into restoring and preserving these cars.
  - (4) Acknowledges the support of the Hodgman Liberal Government for the event through a \$2,000 grant that I was pleased to help secure.
  - (5) Observes that support of the community is essential in running such events with the Car Show being supported by at least 25 local businesses and organisations.
  - (6) Further notes the proceeds raised on the day will support the Deloraine Apex Club, Deloraine SES, Deloraine Fire Brigade and Challengers Hotrod Club.

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- (7) Commends the organising committee, Van Diemen's Street Rod Club and their sponsors on their efforts and commitment in again hosting a successful Car Show and wish them all the best as they prepare for the 2020 event. (21 March 2019)
- 6** The Minister for Health to move—That the House:—
- (1) Congratulates the Mersey Community Hospital Auxiliary for reaching the impressive milestone of 70 years of service to the local community.
  - (2) Notes that the sense of community that has built around the Mersey is a testament to the strong connections the Auxiliary has helped to foster with the hospital.
  - (3) Further notes that the Auxiliary has a proud history of supporting the Hospital, raising much-needed funds for specialist medical equipment and assisting with community engagement.
  - (4) Further notes that the Hodgman Liberal Government is a strong supporter of the Mersey Community Hospital and thanks every Auxiliary member, both past and present for their generous and kind service. (21 March 2019)
- 7** Ms *O'Byrne* to move—That the House instructs the Minister for Health, Hon. Michael Ferguson MP to immediately act to ban the use of conversion therapy in Tasmania. (21 March 2019)
- 8** Dr *Broad* to move—That the House:—
- (1) Notes the Tasmanian red meat industry is at the cross roads with the closure of lamb and cattle processing at the Devonport City Abattoir.
  - (2) Further notes that cattle and lamb service kill capacity is crucial for the business models of many Tasmanian butchers, farmers, restaurants and retailers.
  - (3) Further notes that Woolworths has now joined Coles in leaving the Tasmanian lamb market.
  - (4) Further notes that the red meat industry must now rely on small abattoirs massively increasing their capacity potentially creating issues with throughput limitations, transport logistics, animal health and animal welfare.
  - (5) Further notes that increased slaughter at small abattoirs and the resulting increases in waste, stock yarding and odours has the potential to significantly impact neighbouring property owners.
  - (6) Further notes that there is just one remaining Government meat inspector in Tasmania – down from four.
  - (7) Further notes the Government was warned of the vulnerability of the Tasmanian red meat industry two years ago and yet the Government took no action other than to buy time with a four-year deal with the Devonport City Abattoir owners JBS Swift that ended after two years.
  - (8) Further notes the political appointment of the Member for Montgomery, Hon. Leonie Hiscutt MLC as the chair of a meat taskforce creates further uncertainty due to her upcoming election in May 2019 predating the proposed finalisation of the taskforce report in June 2019. (21 March 2019)
- 9** Ms *White* to move—That the House:—
- (1) Supports nurses, teachers, park rangers, firefighters, corrections officers and other public sector workers in their right to take industrial action.
  - (2) Agrees that the actions of these workers have been responsible, measured and designed to demonstrate the value they provide to the community.
  - (3) Recognises that the Government has reluctantly ditched the two per cent wage cap, nine months after wage negotiations commenced and three months after workers were entitled to a pay rise.
  - (4) Acknowledges that State Taxes and GST receipts are growing and private sector wages increased by 2.9 per cent in the year to December 2018.
  - (5) Further acknowledges that, in the year to December 2018, CPI is increasing in Hobart at three per cent, which means Government's revised wage proposal is actually a significant and real wage cut.
  - (6) Further recognises that Tasmanians deserve a pay rise that keeps up with the cost of living.

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- (7) Calls on the Government to negotiate with public sector unions in good faith and show public sector workers the respect they deserve. (21 March 2019)

**10** Ms *White* to move—That the House:—

- (1) Censures the Minister for Health, Hon. Michael Ferguson MP.
- (2) Regards the way the Minister for Health has handled industrial negotiations with the health workforce as unprofessional and hostile.
- (3) Notes that in his press release of 14 March 2019 the Minister threatens pay reductions and stand-downs for workers in the health system, undertaking lawful industrial action.
- (4) Further notes that this step by the Minister demonstrates no respect whatsoever for Tasmania's health staff who are constantly working double shifts and overtime to keep up with the demand in caring for our families.
- (5) Acknowledges that many of these people are at breaking point and the Government is only offering them a real pay cut instead of putting forward an offer that recognises their true worth.
- (6) Further notes that in Tasmania's history, nurses have never been stood down for taking part in industrial action.
- (7) Condemns this unprecedented threat from the Minister for Health. (21 March 2019)

SHANE DONNELLY, *Clerk of the House*