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No. 69

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- 314** The Minister for Primary Industries and Water to move—That the House:—
- (1) Recognises that 18 August 2020, is Vietnam Veterans Day, an annual day of remembrance for those who served during the Vietnam War.
 - (2) Notes that this day, originally known as Long Tan Day, commemorates the day in 1966 when the battle of Long Tan was fought by the men of D Company, 6th Battalion, the Royal Australian Regiment (6RAR).
 - (3) Further notes that this day, first commemorated in 1969 with the raising of a cross at the battlefield by the men of 6RAR, has since been adopted to cover all veterans who served in the Vietnam War—the longest conflict in Australia’s history.
 - (4) Pays tribute to the almost 60,000 Australians who served in Vietnam between May 1962 and April 1975, including 521 who paid the ultimate price and more than 3,000 who were wounded.
 - (5) Acknowledges the service of the approximately 1,800 Tasmanians who served in Vietnam, including 17 who died in their country’s service.
 - (6) Further notes commemorative service and wreath-laying ceremonies being held in Tasmania to mark the event, and thanks all the members of the VVAA Tasmania, including State President Terry Roe, for their efforts in supporting Vietnam veterans across the State over the years.
 - (7) Honours the service and sacrifice of all those who fought for freedom in this conflict and remembers the motto of the VVAA: “Honour the Dead but Fight like Hell for the Living.” (18 August 2020)
- 315** The Minister for Primary Industries and Water to move—That the House:—
- (1) Recognises the Hydro Tasmania COVID-19 Community Grant Program that was initiated to target the ongoing effects of COVID-19 on the Tasmanian way of life.
 - (2) Notes the Program was opened for applications at the end of May 2020, providing grants of up to \$10,000 to help rebuild communities’.
 - (3) Further notes that 29 successful applicants have now received a total of \$139,991 with recipients including local sport clubs and mental health programs and support provided including bathroom renovations, a cake stall and a ride-on lawnmower.
 - (4) Acknowledges the 2020 round of Hydro Tasmania’s annual Community Grant Program, which made grants of up to \$5,000 available to 11 recipients.
 - (5) All these recipients were highly worthy, including:—
 - (a) the Derwent Valley SES (State Emergency Service) where the community grant will help update equipment and facilities;
 - (b) the Sheffield School Association who will establish a working garden for Prep – Year 6 classes at the Sheffield School; and
 - (c) the King Island District High School who are building new dining courtyard to be used by students, staff and the wider community.
 - (6) Further acknowledges that in total, between March and July 2020, Hydro Tasmania has provided \$238,000 for not-for-profit organisations, which includes staff donations and expansions of sponsorships with its existing community partners.

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- (7) Congratulates the Government owned energy businesses for their support of the Tasmanian community during these times. (18 August 2020)

320 Ms *Standen* to move—That the House:—

- (1) Notes with deep concern recent reports in 'The Examiner' about long-standing workplace culture and technical issues at Heritage Tasmania that have existed since 2014.
- (2) Recognises that in 2014 when the Liberal Government came to power, staffing numbers were slashed at Heritage Tasmania, and those that remained were expected to cut the Heritage Register by a third.
- (3) Acknowledges that Heritage staff were under enormous pressure, and with reduced resources, mistakes were made.
- (4) Further recognises that as a result the integrity of the Heritage Register is compromised and a cloud of legal uncertainty hangs over property owners and potentially the Crown.
- (5) Further notes that in a leaked staff satisfaction survey, Heritage staff state they are stressed and anxious, alleging ongoing harassment, bullying, extensive workloads, and a lack of direction from management.
- (6) Further notes with concern that a cultural change plan that has been running since May 2019 appears to have no end date.
- (7) Further recognises that in this term of government, instability in ministerial portfolios has contributed to longstanding issues continually being ignored.
- (8) Calls on the Hon. Elise Archer MP, Minister for Heritage, to take urgent action to intervene to fix these problems and restore damage to morale, reputation and relationships between Heritage Tasmania and other Agencies.
(18 August 2020)

321 Ms *Standen* to move—That the House:—

- (1) Notes the theme of National Homelessness Week (2-8 August 2020) in Tasmania was “Housing Ends Homelessness”.
- (2) Recognises there is a current estimated shortfall in social and affordable housing of 11,400 homes across Tasmania.
- (3) Further notes that the Liberal Government’s May Economic and Fiscal Update (14 August 2020) reports a \$23M underspend on affordable housing; and that there was a \$16M underspend in the Treasurer’s Annual Financial Report 2018-19.
- (4) Acknowledges that the Premier’s Economic and Social Recovery Advisory Council’s interim report focus on affordable housing construction.
- (5) Further notes that the House of Assembly’s Select Committee on Housing Affordability report (Feb 2020) provided a comprehensive blueprint on tackling the housing and homelessness crisis.
- (6) Calls on the Government to respond to the 61 recommendations in the Select Committee report including to act without delay to develop an evidence based 25-year plan to 2050 governing how to address housing affordability and availability in Tasmania. (18 August 2020)

322 The Minister for Primary Industry and Water to move—That the House:—

- (1) Recognises that 15 August 2020, was the 75nd anniversary of Victory in the Pacific Day, an annual day commemorating the end of the Second World War and Japan’s acceptance of the Allied demand for unconditional surrender 14 August 1945.
- (2) Acknowledges that peace came with at a terrible price with 993,000 Australians serving in the Second World War, of whom 27,073 were killed in action or died, 23,477 were wounded and 30,560 taken prisoner of war.
- (3) Further acknowledges that the Second World War was of particular significance to Tasmania with more than 30,000 Tasmanians serving out of a population of just 250,000.
- (4) Pays tribute to the 1,100 Tasmanians who died in their country’s service and nearly 300 who received decorations for gallantry during the conflict.
- (5) Further acknowledges the valuable effort of the 16,000 people, including 5,000 women, who worked in factories and on the land to support the war effort and supply the armed forces with vegetables, dairy and meat products—victory could not have come without the critical contribution of these people.

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- (6) Notes a special commemorative service held at Government House, Hobart on Saturday 15 August 2020, arranged with the support of RSL Tasmania and attended by the 2020 Frank MacDonald Memorial Prize tour group.
- (7) Honours the service and sacrifice of all those who fought for freedom and human dignity in this conflict. (19 August 2020)

323 Mr *O'Byrne* to move—That the House:—

- (1) Notes the advice contained in recommendation 14 of the Premier's Economic and Social Recovery Advisory Council (PESRAC) Interim Report, that the State Government 'should fund a program of free VET courses in qualifications directly related to demonstrated jobs growth. These should be delivered rapidly and flexibly by TasTAFE and other training providers endorsed by industry'.
- (2) Further notes the Government has accepted all recommendations of PESRAC and agreed to implement them.
- (3) Calls upon the Government to follow PESRAC advice and immediately act to adopt Labor's Free TAFE policy to provide free courses in areas of skills demand across the economy. (19 August 2020)

324 Ms *O'Byrne* to move—That the House:—

- (1) Notes, that COVID-19 job losses have disproportionately affected women and that targeted initiatives will be required to get women back into work.
- (2) Further notes recommendations 47, 48 and 49 of the Premier's Economic and Social Recovery Advisory Council (PESRAC) Interim Report dealing with the need to increase the employment of women.
- (3) Further notes the Government has accepted all recommendations of PESRAC and agreed to implement them.
- (4) Calls upon the Government to follow PESRAC advice and immediately adopt Labor's policy of equal opportunity job applications for the public service to eliminate unconscious bias in recruitment processes. (20 August 2020)

325 Ms *Ogilvie* to move—That:—

- (1) A Select Committee, with power to send for persons, papers and records be appointed to inquire into and make recommendations upon preventative health policies in Tasmania with particular reference to:—
 - (a) the progress of the Healthy Tasmania: Five Year Strategic Plan tabled in July 2016;
 - (b) the effectiveness of existing policies aimed at mitigating the health effects of key risk factors including obesity, smoking, alcohol, poor nutrition and low physical activity levels;
 - (c) investigate new and emerging preventative health research, techniques, programs and initiatives successfully operating in other jurisdictions that could be effective in improving the health of Tasmanians; and
 - (d) any other matters incidental thereto.
- (2) The Committee shall consist of six members, being two from the Government nominated by the Leader of the House, two from the Opposition nominated by the Leader of the Opposition, one from the Tasmanian Greens nominated by the Leader of the Greens and the Independent Member for Clark.
- (3) The Committee report by 31 May 2021.
- (4) Should the House not be sitting, a report may be presented to the Speaker of the House, or in their absence, the Clerk of the House, any report so presented is taken to have been published by order of the House of Assembly. (20 August 2020)

326 Ms *Ogilvie* to move—That the House:—

- (1) Notes that the global pandemic has caused not just a health crisis, but also an economic crisis.
- (2) Acknowledges that it is essential that we consider what our economic future should look like.
- (3) Recognises that self-sustainability is critical for Tasmania.
- (4) Understands that Tasmania has an opportunity to look at all of our supply chains, to consider whether we are able to do better.

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- (5) Further understands that too often we make a procurement decision based on price alone, but we know there is a substantial issue with modern slavery in supply chains that is not visible, but keeps price low.
- (6) Further recognises that exploitation may be detected in garment manufacturing, technology, solar, food and plastics inputs.
- (7) Agrees that we have the opportunity to innovate and clean up our supply chains, to eradicate elements of exploitation, and to re-create a sustainable Tasmanian economy. (20 August 2020)

327 Ms *Ogilvie* to move—That the House:—

- (1) Notes that the global pandemic has caused not just a health crisis, but also an economic crisis.
- (2) Acknowledges that it is essential that we consider what our economic future should look like.
- (3) Understands that we have the opportunity presented by the COVID-19 crisis to rethink how we approach infrastructure investment in Tasmania.
- (4) Recognises that Tasmania has strong expertise in ship building and advanced manufacturing.
- (5) Appreciates that now is the time for Tasmanians to get behind Tasmanian businesses and support our local industries to deliver big projects that benefit our communities.
- (6) Agrees that the new the new Spirit ferries should be built in Tasmania, by Tasmanians. (20 August 2020)

328 Ms *Ogilvie* to move—That the House:—

- (1) Recognises Tasmanians are leaders in renewable energy.
- (2) Understands the Marinus Link Project is an incredible opportunity for Tasmania.
- (3) Acknowledges we have the opportunity to capitalise on our renewable energy expertise and on sell Tasmania's renewable energy to the nation.
- (4) Further acknowledges that the time is right now for Tasmania to assert its dominance in the nation's future energy market.
- (5) Appreciates that Tasmania should take the bold and pragmatic step of ensuring that we own and operate the Marinus cable - while ensuring that Tasmanians do not bear the majority of the cost.
- (6) Further appreciates that it is imperative that Tasmanians are the masters of our own energy future, and ownership of this strategic job creating asset is key to this.
- (7) Agrees that the Tasmanian Government should examine all options, including a special purpose vehicle to allow the cable to be jointly owned by Tasmania and Australia. (20 August 2020)

329 Mr *Street* to move—That the House:—

- (1) Acknowledges that the COVID-19 pandemic emergency has had a significant effect on employment levels in Tasmania.
- (2) Recognises that, as public leaders, we have a responsibility to do everything we can to support job creation and job security for Tasmanians and to help Tasmania rebuild and recover from the pandemic emergency.
- (3) Notes the Government's approach to investigate local build options for the next Spirit of Tasmania vessels and to look at any ways to maximise Tasmanian jobs and utilise Tasmanian businesses in their replacement.
- (4) Further notes the support for this approach from the Tasmanian Chamber of Commerce and Industry, and the Tasmanian branch of the Australian Manufacturing Workers Union (AMWU), as well as the significant interest from major Tasmanian and Australian shipbuilders.
- (5) Further notes the recent public comments from Tasmanian Labor Senator Helen Polley: "The Federal Government, State Governments and businesses should all collectively seek to reset supply chains to source from local manufacturers to a partial extent if not completely."
- (6) Urges the Parliament to support Tasmanian businesses, job creation and job security for Tasmanians. (25 August 2020)

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- 330** The Minister for Veterans' Affairs to move—That the House:—
- (1) Recognises that Legacy Week is being held from 30 August to 5 September 2020.
 - (2) Notes that Legacy Week, first held in 1942, is the annual national appeal of Legacy Australia, an iconic national charity providing services to Australian families suffering after the incapacitation or death of a spouse or parent, during or after their defence force service.
 - (3) Further notes that funds raised during Legacy Week go to helping Legacy care for around 52,000 Australians, including 787 widows and 19 children in southern Tasmania and 875 widows and 17 children across northern Tasmania.
 - (4) Further notes that funds raised assist Legacy in providing essential services including counselling, special housing, medical, advocacy and social support to Australian families and also help assist the education and development of the children of our deceased veterans.
 - (5) Acknowledges that Legacy Australia grew out of the Remembrance Club, formed in Hobart in 1923 by First World War hero, Tasmanian Major-General Sir John Gellibrand KCB DSO and Bar—something Tasmanians can be proud of.
 - (6) Congratulates the staff, Legatees and volunteers of Legacy—including the President of Legacy (Hobart), Mr Rob Grey, Friends of Hobart Legacy and the President of Legacy (Launceston), Mr Russell Hogarth—for their tireless efforts in supporting the families of our incapacitated and deceased veterans.
 - (7) Encourages Tasmanians to dig deep and support this important work. (25 August 2020)
- 331** The Minister for Primary Industries and Water to move—That the House:—
- (1) Recognises that the Tasmanian Abalone Council CEO, Dean Lisson, stepped down at the end of last week, on 21 August 2020.
 - (2) Acknowledges Dean Lisson for his 26 years of loyal and dedicated service as CEO and former President of the Council.
 - (3) Notes Tasmania's abalone fishery is the world's largest abalone resource, supplying over 25 per cent of total annual global production of wild caught product.
 - (4) Further notes the Tasmanian abalone industry had a gross food value of just over \$90 million in 2017-18, with \$85 million of that exported.
 - (5) Joins with me in thanking Mr Lisson for his service, covering over a quarter of a century. (25 August 2020)
- 333** Ms *O'Connor* to move—That the House:—
- (1) Understands many Tasmanians have been hit hard by the economic impact of COVID-19, and are already in dire financial straits.
 - (2) Recognises these financial circumstances will only get harder after 30 September 2020, when the Morrison Government cuts JobKeeper and JobSeeker payments.
 - (3) Further recognises the vital role residential rental protections have played in providing stability and support for thousands of Tasmanian tenants.
 - (4) Notes these protections are due to expire on 30 September 2020.
 - (5) Acknowledges the prospect of simultaneous cuts to income support and end to rental protections is frightening and extremely stressful for many Tasmanians, with some tenants already being threatened with a choice of eviction or increased rent.
 - (6) Urges the Premier, Hon. Peter Gutwein MP to use the next National Cabinet meeting to advocate for the JobKeeper and JobSeeker payments to continue at their current rate beyond 30 September 2020.
 - (7) Calls on the Premier to extend all residential rental protections until 31 December 2020. (25 August 2020)
- 334** The Minister for Health to move—That the House:—
- (1) Recognises the recent Women in Resources Tasmania Awards for 2020, held at Peppers Silo Hotel on the 30 July 2020.
 - (2) Notes the awards were in their seventh year, and are coordinated by the Tasmanian Minerals, Manufacturing and Energy Council (TMEC) in conjunction with the Australian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy (AusIMM) Women in Mining Network

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Tasmania (WIMnet), to create awareness of inspirational women working in resources and encourages other women to pursue careers in these Tasmanian industries.

- (3) Congratulates the following 2020 Women in Resources Tasmania Awards recipients:—
- (a) Estrelia Diaz, MMG Rosebery Mine – Winner of the Exceptional Woman in Tasmanian Resources Award;
 - (b) Sarah Gilmour, GHD – Winner of the Exceptional Young Woman in Tasmanian Resources Award;
 - (c) Kim Burton, MMG Rosebery Mine – Winner of the Outstanding Tasmanian Tradeswoman, Operator or Technician Award; and
 - (d) Brett Robins, Bell Bay Aluminium and Shannon Bakes, Protech – Winners of the Gender Diversity Champion In Tasmanian Resources Award.
- (4) Further recognises the TMEC and the AusIMM WIMnet Tasmania for the work they do in recognising and promoting the role of women in this important sector.
- (5) Acknowledges the outstanding calibre of all the entrants, finalists and awards winners for this years' awards, with all applicants providing a significant and increasing contribution to the resources, manufacturing and energy sectors, and encourages even more women to enter in 2021.
- (6) Further congratulates all of the exceptional applicants, highly commended and award winners for 2020, and wish the five award recipients the best of luck representing Tasmania at the National Women in Resources Awards in September 2020. (26 August 2020)

335 The Minister for Health to move—That the House:—

- (1) Notes that the Minister for Health was pleased to launch the third annual Tassie Scallop Fiesta which took place between 19 - 23 August 2020 in Bridport.
- (2) Further notes that the Tassie Scallop Fiesta was created to mark the start of the commercial scallop fishing season and recognises Bridport's long history of seafaring and fishing in Tasmania's scallop industry.
- (3) Recognises that the event provides a uniquely Tasmanian festival experience that brings the community together to celebrate the regions quality food, wine and entertainment.
- (4) Further notes that the five day program of activities was well supported by the local community and included a Growers and Makers Market, Mariner's Muse tall and true tales from the high sea, wine master classes and a scallop pie making competition.
- (5) Commends the efforts of the Tassie Scallop Fiesta Director, Tony Scott, the organising committee and one hundred volunteers who worked incredibly hard to provide another outstanding event for the North-Eastern community.
- (6) Highlights that the Tassie Scallop Fiesta is one of the first significant regional events to be held since the COVID-19 pandemic began and congratulates the organisers on delivering a COVID safe event. (26 August 2020)

336 Ms *Butler* to move—That the House:—

- (1) Notes that under Australian Securities and Investments Commission (ASIC) consumer guidelines and Australian Prudential Regulation Authority (APRA) prudential regulations banks cannot take into consideration a grant that may not be approved. Therefore, lending institutions do not view the Home Builder Grant as a deposit.
- (2) Further notes unlike the First Home Owners Grant, the Home Builder Grant goes to the individual Grant applicant not the lending institution.
- (3) Further notes lending institutions do not consider the Home Builder Grant as part of a deposit unless the applicant already has significant savings.
- (4) Recognises that this is an inhibitor to the Home Builder Grant Schemes intent, which is to provide confidence and stimulate the economy and the building and construction sector.
- (5) Further notes concerns raised by the banking sector and consumers indicate that the Home Builder Grant cannot be regarded as certain income when originating a loan. The Grant is considered as uncertain income by lending institutions.
- (6) Calls on the Government to address the disconnect between the Federal Government instrument and the Tasmanian State Revenue Office.

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- (7) Further calls on the Government to ensure that Grant funding is provided directly to the Banks as security as is the case with the First Home Owners Grant. (26 August 2020)

337 The Minister for Health to move—That the House:—

- (1) Celebrates the opening of the new St. Vincent de Paul Society Community Hub, located in Boland Street Launceston, on 21 August 2020 which was blessed by Father Mark Freeman.
- (2) Acknowledges the efforts in bringing the hub to life, which started as an idea at the beginning of the COVID-19 pandemic in response to the number of people requiring support during this difficult period.
- (3) Notes the Hub will provide a one stop service which includes financial literacy assistance, homelessness and family violence support.
- (4) Further notes that the Hub will also support people who are accessing Centrelink services and offers one-on-one engagement for conversations that they may find challenging.
- (5) Recognises the Hub is also designed to be used by other community groups, service organisations, charities, and numerous youth-oriented groups.
- (6) Commends the work of Chief Executive Lara Alexander, State President Mark Gaetani and Northern Regional President Vyvian Allchin and thanks them for their role in delivering this important service to Northern Tasmania.
- (7) Further recognises the significant contribution of St Vincent de Paul members, staff and the many volunteers, without which the support and services to be provided through the Hub would not be possible.
- (8) Encourages anyone in need to reach out to the Vinnies Community Hub to speak to the volunteers who can provide the support and assistance they require. (27 August 2020)

338 The Minister for Health to move—That the House:—

- (1) Acknowledges that the Cancer Council's Daffodil Day for 2020 is being held on 28 August 2020.
- (2) Notes that the Daffodil Day Appeal is one of the Cancer Council's most iconic campaigns, raising more than \$56,000 in 2019 through the sale of fresh daffodils, daffodil pins and merchandise.
- (3) Further acknowledges that the Cancer Council has adopted a new approach for the 2020 fundraising appeal, with Tasmanians being encouraged to get crafty and create yellow or daffodil-themed items for the 3000 Daffodils Project.
- (4) Further notes that the aim of the project is to create 3,000 daffodils throughout August to sell as part of the fundraising activities – which is the same number of Tasmanians diagnosed with cancer each year – with all funds raised from the sale of craft items to stay in Tasmania to assist the Cancer Council Tasmania deliver services to people living with cancer.
- (5) Recognises that cancer is the leading cause of death in Australia, with one in three Australians developing some form of the disease by the age of 85, and further recognises the devastating impact it has on Tasmanians, their families, friends, colleagues and the community.
- (6) Encourages all Tasmanians to show their support for the 2020 Daffodil Day Appeal by donating to life-saving cancer research that will help to improve earlier detection and diagnosis, which we know leads to better outcomes with treatment more successful. (27 August 2020)

339 Ms White to move—That the House:—

- (1) Notes that 6 August 2020 was the 75th anniversary of the nuclear attack on Hiroshima.
- (2) Remembers the victims and survivors of Hiroshima, and of Nagasaki, bombed three days later.
- (3) Acknowledges the dedication and unceasing work of the International Campaign to Abolish Nuclear Weapons, founded in Australia and awarded the Nobel Peace Prize in 2017, promoting adherence to and implementation of the United Nations Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons in one hundred countries around the world.
- (4) Calls on Members to honour the victims and survivors of the atomic bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki by signing the 'Parliamentary Pledge for the United Nations

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Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons', which is a commitment by parliamentarians around the world to work to promote the signature and ratification of the Treaty by their respective countries. (15 September 2020)

340 Ms O'Connor to move—That the House:—

- (1) Recognises the coronavirus pandemic has inflicted anxiety, sorrow and mental ill-health across the Tasmanian community.
- (2) Acknowledges Tasmanians in the aged care system have been particularly affected by COVID-19 restrictions and more isolated than many others in the community.
- (3) Further recognises that communication channels are critical to older people in aged care facilities.
- (4) Understands while most patients in Tasmanian hospitals have a bedside phone, an estimated 40 per cent – approximately 2,000 Tasmanian aged care residents - do not have a phone in their room.
- (5) Further understands Advocacy Tasmania has written to Minister for Youth, Sport, Aged Care and Senior Australians, Senator the Hon. Richard Colbeck on behalf of more than 5,000 Tasmanians living in aged care asking for in-room phones which they claim are a "lifeline".
- (6) Agrees a critical part of tackling elder abuse is the ability to ask for assistance.
- (7) Calls on the Gutwein Government to work with Federal Minister Colbeck to ensure all Tasmanians in aged care had access to in-room phones. (15 September 2020)

341 Ms O'Connor to move—That the House:—

- (1) Acknowledges that 15 September 2020 was the International Day for Democracy.
- (2) Agrees that key to democratic societies is freedom of speech and expression, a central part of which is a free press.
- (3) Understands that:—
 - (a) Australian writer, Yang Hengjun, was taken by Chinese authorities in January 2019, and is still in detention without charge;
 - (b) Cheng Lei, Australian anchor for China's government-run English news channel CGTN, was detained in Beijing, with the Australian Government notified of her detention on 14 August 2020 without charge; and
 - (c) The ABC's Bill Birtles and Tasmanian Mike Smith, from the Australian Financial Review, were forced to flee China on 8 September 2020 after a tense five-day diplomatic standoff.
- (4) Notes there are now no Australian journalists working for Australian media organisations in mainland China.
- (5) Further agrees with Federal Labor Leader, Hon. Anthony Albanese MP's comments on the ABC's Insiders program that the Chinese Communist Government was "quite clearly" intervening in Australia and "that requires a response by the Australian Government in the national interest".
- (6) Encourages Tasmanian Labor Members to take heed of their Federal Party Leader's comments and to remember their solemn obligation to stand up for democracy and human rights. (15 September 2020)

342 Ms O'Connor to move—That the House:—

- (1) Notes with disdain Tasmania has the weakest donation disclosure laws in the country and is the only State without a State-based legislative framework for donations.
- (2) Acknowledges the case was strongly made for electoral donations reform at the last State Election, when millions of dollars in donations went undisclosed.
- (3) Understand that lowering the threshold for political donations disclosure is critical to electoral reform.
- (4) Agrees that political donations must be disclosed in real time.
- (5) Recognises that to clean up democracy requires expenditure caps, bans on corporate donations and donations from foreign interests, and public funding for election campaigns as with every other Australian State, Territory and the Commonwealth.
- (6) Further notes, following wide public consultation, the Attorney-General, Hon. Elise Archer MP, received a report of the review of Tasmania's weak political donations framework in late 2019 and has not released it.

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- (7) Calls on the Attorney-General to release the report publicly and prioritise electoral reforms ahead of the next State Election. (15 September 2020)

346 The Minister for Veterans' Affairs to move—That the House:—

- (1) Recognises that today is Battle of Britain Day, an annual day of remembrance for those who fought and died in the Battle of Britain, history's first entirely aerial campaign and a strategic turning point of the Second World War.
- (2) Notes that the Battle occurred over the United Kingdom between 10 July 1940 and 31 October 1940 between the air forces of Nazi Germany and the then British Empire and Commonwealth.
- (3) Further notes that Allied success in the Battle was pivotal in seeing the planned seaborne invasion of the United Kingdom by Hitler's Germany cancelled, allowing the British Isles to eventually become the springboard from which the invasion of occupied Europe was performed, leading to the liberation of millions under Nazi oppression.
- (4) Pays tribute to 'The Few', as Winston Churchill immortally named the fighter pilots fighting in the skies over Britain, for their service, courage and sacrifice, including more than thirty Australians, 14 of whom died in the Battle including Flight Lieutenant Stuart Walch, of Hobart, who attended the Hutchins School before joining the RAAF.
- (5) Acknowledges a memorial service commemorating the Battle held at St David's Cathedral on the weekend of 12-13 September 2020 and a wreath laying service at the Hobart Cenotaph with representatives from the Australian Defence Force, ex-service organisations and all levels of Government attending. (15 September 2020)

347 The Minister for Veterans' Affairs to move—That the House:—

- (1) Notes that 3 September 2020 was Australian National Flag Day, the annual day specifically dedicated to celebrating our national flag.
- (2) Further notes that Australian National Flag Day was officially established in 1996 by the proclamation of the former Governor-General Sir William Deane, AC, KBE, QC and celebrates the first time the flag was flown on 3 September 1901 over the dome of the Exhibition Building in Melbourne when then Prime Minister, the Rt. Hon. Sir Edmund Barton GCMG, KC announced the winners of a competition to design a flag for Australia.
- (3) Acknowledges the Australian National Flag as Australia's foremost national symbol and a unifying and powerful expression of Australian identity.
- (4) Further notes that Australian National Flag Day provides all Australians with an opportunity to reflect with pride and gratitude upon the achievements and qualities of this great nation since Federation.
- (5) Further acknowledges the sterling work of the Australian National Flag Association in promoting and protecting our national symbol, whose work locally is led by Mr Reg Watson.
- (6) Congratulates all individuals, community organisations, local authorities, businesses and schools across Tasmania that celebrated Australian National Flag Day by conducting flag-raising ceremonies and by flying or displaying the National Flag. (15 September 2020)

348 Ms *Standen* to move—That the House:—

- (1) Notes that we have an estimated 26,000 temporary visa holders residing in Tasmania, who are ineligible for Commonwealth income support.
- (2) Further notes that due to the coronavirus pandemic a significant number of temporary visa holders in Tasmania lost their jobs, and particularly young people and workers in tourism, retail and education sectors were disproportionately affected, experiencing hardship and income loss and in many cases have exhausted their savings.
- (3) Acknowledges on 22 April 2020 the Gutwein Liberal Government announced a COVID-19 support package for temporary visa holders experiencing financial hardship due to the coronavirus pandemic, including extending the eligibility for Pandemic Isolation Assistance Grants providing a one-off payment of \$250 per individual or up to \$1,000 per family.
- (4) Recognises that while this was a welcome contribution, one-off funding assistance provided at most one to two weeks' rent and food relief to eligible households.

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- (5) Further notes the Premier, Hon. Peter Gutwein MP, promised up to \$3 million for his Government to work with industry sectors and employers to retain temporary visa holder employees because of their specialist skills so that we don't lose skilled workers.
- (6) Calls on the Liberal Government to report on how many temporary visa holder employees and households have been supported through these measures.
- (7) Further calls on the Liberal Government to urgently consult with stakeholders to understand what additional support is required by temporary workers and international students to ensure they do not fall through the gaps. (16 September 2020)

349 The Minister for Local Government to move—That the House:—

- (1) Acknowledge the critical role the Local Government sector plays in supporting our communities through local representation, service delivery and planning that supports jobs and development.
- (2) Recognises that Councils will play a key role supporting recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic at the local and regional levels.
- (3) Commends the Local Government sector for its proactive approach to rolling out local stimulus and relief measures to Tasmanian communities.
- (4) Notes financial hardship policies have been developed across many municipalities to provide further financial assistance to those who need it the most.
- (5) Commends Local Governments for bringing forward capital works projects, which in turn are providing opportunities for local businesses and employment opportunities for Tasmanians.
- (6) Further notes the Premier's Economic and Social Recovery Advisory Council has been engaging directly with the Local Government sector on council's current and future needs, as we move into the recovery phase. (17 September 2020)

350 Ms *Woodruff* to move—That the House:—

- (1) Welcomes the 'Rehabilitation & Reintegration Inspection Report: Inspection of Adult Custodial Services in Tasmania, 2018', tabled in Parliament on 16 September 2020.
- (2) Notes the report identifies and reinforces a wide range of significant issues in the State's corrections system, including but not limited to:—
 - (a) education programs being cut;
 - (b) prisoners receiving no assistance to prepare for release;
 - (c) Foundation and Case Management Plans not being reviewed as per the Director's Standing Orders;
 - (d) the need for more training for Tasmanian Prison Service staff;
 - (e) inadequate resourcing to meet the needs of prisoners with disabilities;
 - (f) the lack of a drug and alcohol program for women prisoners;
 - (g) the need to increase prisoner employment; and
 - (h) health and safety concerns across industry, food, and other areas of prisons.
- (3) Acknowledges prisoners have basic rights that must always be met by the corrections system.
- (4) Recognises that failure to deliver on support for prisoners increases the risk of reoffending, as highlighted by the Custodial-Inspector.
- (5) Further notes the reclassification of Ron Barwick Prison from a minimum security to a medium security facility.
- (6) Further recognises that 19% of the State's prisoners are Aboriginal Tasmanians, a rate four times higher than the non-Aboriginal population.
- (7) Understands this rate of incarceration for Aboriginal Tasmanians is unacceptable, and reflects the ongoing injustice faced by the First People of lutruwita/Tasmania.
- (8) Further understands the Liberal Government's approach to justice and crime is failing the community and is continuing to place huge strain on the State's corrections system. (17 September 2020)

352 Ms *O'Connor* to move—That the House:—

- (1) Recognises the Liberal Government's Expressions of Interest (EOI) process for developments in Parks is unprecedented in scale, and done without the input of Tasmanians.
- (2) Further recognises many of these developments will require a Reserve Activity Assessment (RAA) by the Parks and Wildlife Service.

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- (3) Acknowledges the Resource Management and Planning Appeal Tribunal (RMPAT) concluded in relation to the Lake Malbena case that a project's compliance with a Management Plan cannot be appealed to RMPAT.
- (4) Understands this means for many EOI proposals, Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation (EPBC) assessments are the only appealable assessment for projects' compliance with management plans.
- (5) Further understands that the Parks and Wildlife Service recommended the proponents for Lake Malbena split the application in two in order to bypass EPBC assessments for key elements of the proposal.
- (6) Further recognises this is reflective of an executive culture in the Department of Primary Industries and Water (DPIPWE) focused on getting outcomes for developers, rather than fulfilling statutory and public obligations to protect wilderness and cultural values.
- (7) Agrees the RAA process is not a process in law, has no accountability, and without an avenue for appeal can be easily exploited to create a pre-engineered outcome for developments in protected areas.
- (8) Further agrees on the need for a proper statutory assessment process for developments in Park, which must include transparent application processes, community consultation, and the ability to appeal decisions in relation to Management Plan compliance. (22 September 2020)

353 Ms *Standen* to move—That the House:—

- (1) Agrees that food security is a basic human right - no Tasmanian should be without reliable access to affordable, nutritious food.
- (2) Commends the work of charities that even prior to COVID-19 were struggling to meet the rising need for food relief.
- (3) Notes with concern the Foodbank Hunger Report 2019 showed an 18% increase in Tasmanians seeking food assistance over the previous year 2018; and that 40% more food was required to meet demand.
- (4) Understands that cost of living is a key cause of food insecurity, especially for low income households, with many families going hungry due to an unexpected expense, cutting down or skipping meals or going a whole day without eating.
- (5) Recognises food relief providers have run out of Government funding, are over-extended and are dependent on support from donations and volunteers.
- (6) Further notes that when income support schemes are wound back, food relief providers are expecting to get all their old clients back in addition to those who have been new through the doors during COVID.
- (7) Calls on the Liberal Government to immediately allocate additional funding to meet the need for food relief and implement long-term funding agreements to provide for this essential service. (22 September 2020)

354 Dr *Woodruff* to move—That the House:—

- (1) Acknowledges freedom of expression in the Arts is central to a healthy, vibrant democracy.
- (2) Understands the filmmaker of 'Wild Things' is a Screen Tasmania grant recipient.
- (3) Notes that 'Wild Things' captures the experiences of young environmentalists and climate strikers, fighting for the future of human survival in a time of climate emergency.
- (4) Further notes with concern that the Honourable Member for Braddon, Dr Broad MP, would prefer the heavy hand of a government censor to intervene in artist's grant applications.
- (5) Recognises that Dr Broad's comments are extremely concerning from someone who presents himself as an alternative minister.
- (6) Further acknowledges that unlike Dr Broad and Labor, the Greens will always stand with the arts community and defend their right to freedom of expression, along with the climate strikers and environment protesters fighting for the future.
- (7) Calls on the Government to maintain the independence of Screen Tasmania and its grant decisions. (22 September 2020)

355 Dr *Woodruff* to move—That the House:—

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- (1) Acknowledges the large gathering of people who attended the East Coast Alliance's AGM for 2020 in Swansea.
- (2) Understands that, despite the strictures of the COVID-19 pandemic, that has seen many groups contract, this thriving community group has had an increase in members, donations, and social media engagement.
- (3) Recognises the East Coast Alliance was born from the fight to stop the mega Cambria Green takeover of farmland, lifestyle, cultural heritage and environment.
- (4) Further recognises the Alliance is getting bigger, stronger and wiser and will not give up in the fight to defend their community.
- (5) Calls on the Government to commit to not declaring the Cambria Green development a Major Project. (22 September 2020)

357 Dr *Broad* to move—That the House:—

- (1) Notes that the Minister for the Arts, Hon. Elise Archer MP, signed off on funding for the 'Wild Things' documentary.
- (2) Further notes that the 'Wild Things' documentary promotes protesting in Tasmanian forests including footage of tree sits and individuals locking onto forestry equipment.
- (3) Further notes the Minister for Resources, Hon. Guy Barnett MP, questioned the funding for the 'Wild Things' documentary for promoting illegal activities in Tasmanian forests and called for an investigation into decision making in his Ministerial colleague Elise Archer's portfolio.
- (4) Further notes that Liberal Government support for the 'Wild Things' documentary has been widely condemned by the forestry industry.
- (5) Further notes that the Liberal Government support for the 'Wild Things' documentary has been welcomed by the Greens Party.
- (6) Calls on the Government to explain how it can support illegal activities with public funding. (22 September 2020)

359 The Minister for Health to move—That the House:—

- (1) Acknowledges that the week of 14 - 20 September 2020 was the Australian College of Nursing "Nursing in the Community Week", which is an excellent opportunity to recognise and appreciate the amazing work of Tasmania's Community Nurses.
- (2) Celebrates and thank all of our incredible nurses for their service and the immense contribution they make to the health and wellbeing of Tasmanians.
- (3) Notes that community nursing has a long history in Tasmania, with District and Bush Nurses delivering services to the community since 1896.
- (4) Recognises that the 2020 theme, "Nurses where you need them", is aimed at raising awareness about how nurses can support people to stay safe at home.
- (5) Further acknowledges the significant contribution of our community nurses who continue to provide critically important hospital avoidance services throughout GP clinics, outpatient services and regional primary healthcare centres across the State, particularly as we continue to deal with COVID-19.
- (6) Further notes that 2020 is also the International Year of the Nurse & Midwife.
- (7) Commends the Australian College of Nursing for continuing to support nurses in our communities through the promotion of the Nursing in the Community Week. (22 September 2020)

360 The Minister for Health to move—That the House:—

- (1) Notes that the Cancer Council Tasmania Women's 5km Walk/Run was held on the weekend of 11-13 September 2020.
- (2) Recognises that each year, the Women's 5km Walk/Run brings together men, women and children of all ages, backgrounds, levels of fitness and accessibility across Tasmania in celebration and remembrance of life.
- (3) Acknowledges that the 2020 theme was "Do It For Her" and was held as a virtual event, which allowed participants to do their 5kms over the course of three days in a location of their choice.
- (4) Further recognises the event supports and encourages health awareness for all Tasmanians and also raises funds for Cancer Council Tasmania's research programs to support the more than 3,200 Tasmanians diagnosed with cancer each year.

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- (5) Congratulates all 868 participants who attended the event across the State on their fantastic efforts and ongoing support, by raising over \$124,000 so far to help minimise the impact and incidence of cancer on Tasmanians.
- (6) Commends the Cancer Council Tasmania on the success of the 2020 event, and by being able to adapt the model for Tasmanian's to still participate in a COVID-19 environment.
- (7) Encourages the Tasmanian community to continue to give generously and get involved in local events to support the ongoing fight against cancer for the benefit of all Australians. (22 September 2020)

362 The Minister for Primary Industries and Water to move—That the House:—

- (1) Recognises that the 7th Longford Jazz Festival took place from 18 - 20th September 2020.
- (2) Appreciates the Festival was a celebration of everything that is special and unique about jazz music, including an impressive range of performers from around the State.
- (3) Acknowledges the 2020 Festival included a program of events celebrating key elements of jazz culture and music and included events around Perth and Longford, highlighted by a Saturday Night Jazz Concert at the Town Hall in Longford.
- (4) Commends the many performing artists and guest bands involved with the festival, which came from all around the State, showcasing their incredible talent.
- (5) Congratulates saxophone player Danny Healy, recipient of the 2020 Peter Voss Memorial Award, and vocalist Kylie Wright, recipient of the 'Dick Adams Encouragement Award'.
- (6) Further congratulates Don Ives, for his leadership and vision to first start the music festival in 2014, and Dee Alty for her commitment in helping organise the 2020 event.
- (7) Further congratulates all those involved for their hard work in promoting and putting on the Festival and also the Longford community on their efforts and commitment in again hosting what is a growing festival each year. (23 September 2020)

363 The Minister for Primary Industries and Water to move—That the House:—

- (1) Recognises that the official opening of the Deloraine Bowls Club for the 2020/2021 Pennant Season took place on 20 September, 2020.
- (2) Notes that the Club was established 1926 and is still going strong.
- (3) Further recognises the invaluable facility that the Club provides for the local community where people can gather and enjoy social bowls, club bowls, events and functions.
- (4) Congratulates President Keith Davis and his hardworking team on their leadership and support of this terrific facility.
- (5) Encourages everyone living in the Deloraine area, or even just passing through, to visit this fantastic Club. (23 September 2020)

364 Ms *O'Byrne* to move—That the House:—

- (1) Notes that 28 September 2020 is International Safe Abortion Day.
- (2) Recognises Tasmanian women are entitled to full access to reproductive health services.
- (3) Further notes that international research has found that jurisdictions where terminations are difficult to access are associated with higher maternal mortality and unsafe abortion rates, and barriers to abortion access in Australia particularly affect young women, rural women and women of low socio economic status.
- (4) Further notes that regional access and cost remain significant barriers to access in Tasmania.
- (5) Further notes that the Government committed in the Parliament to facilitating a standalone facility that would be operational by November 2018.
- (6) Further notes that the aforementioned facility is still not available.
- (7) Further notes that Tasmania's response to termination access should not be based on the good will of a handful of doctors.
- (8) Calls upon the Minister for Health, Hon. Sarah Courtney MP, to act immediately to ensure women are not forced to leave the State to access surgical termination or required to access financial assistance in order to afford a termination.

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- (9) Further calls upon the Minister for Health to provide State-wide access to terminations in the public hospital system, under all circumstances in which terminations are permitted by law, in accordance with Clause 4 and 5 of the Reproductive Health (Access to Terminations) Act 2013.
- (10) Directs the Minister for Health to report to the House on the implementation of this service. (24 September 2020)

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

- (1) Expresses concern at reports that at-risk Tasmanian children in the Brahminy program in the Northern Territory have been mistreated.
- (2) Recognises the allegations have been raised by former participants in the program, as well as the families of current participants who want their children to be brought home.
- (3) Notes allegations that Allan Brahminy is not who he claims to be, including evidence that he concocted a story about being abandoned as a child and adopted by an Aboriginal family.
- (4) Calls on the Liberal Government to bring the children home from Brahminy immediately. (13 October 2020)

369 Dr *Broad* to move—That the House:—

- (1) Notes the Minister for Primary Industries and Water, Hon. Guy Barnett MP failed to protect the \$400m Tasmanian potato industry by approving imports from South Australia without consultation with the industry.
- (2) Further notes that Minister Barnett's own review revealed that the original decision did not adequately reduce the risks of the Tasmanian industry being devastated by mutated strains of Potato Virus Y.
- (3) Further notes that Minister Barnett's own review revealed that the original import decision did not require South Australian potatoes to be grown from disease free certified seed.
- (4) Further notes that Minister Barnett's own review highlighted that the potato Import Risk Assessment was out of date.
- (5) Further notes that despite Minister Barnett defending the original decision his own review highlighted flaws in the import approval leading to a further review of the program audit and verification process.
- (6) Further notes that labelling imported potato packages with a "do not plant" notice is not going to eliminate disease risk though planting or disposal of South Australian potatoes.
- (7) Condemns the Minister for Primary Industries and Water for not putting Tasmanian potato growers first. (13 October 2020)

370 Ms *Standen* to move—That the House:—

- (1) Notes that Anti-Poverty Week is being held 11-17 October 2020 supporting:—
 - (a) affordable housing for all as the best solution to reducing poverty and partnering with the 'Everybody's Home' campaign, and
 - (b) adequate income support through the 'Raise the Rate' campaign.
- (2) Acknowledges more than 80,000 Tasmanians live below the poverty line, and the Australia Institute estimates that temporary income support measures lifted 4,000 Tasmanian children out of poverty.
- (3) Recognises according to Foodbank's Hunger Report 2020 demand for food relief has doubled from 15% to 31% of Australians experiencing food insecurity seeking food relief at least once a week.
- (4) Further acknowledges short-term stimulus funding for food relief in Tasmania has been exhausted.
- (5) Further notes there is a maintenance backlog in Tasmanian social housing estimated at \$60 million and that every dollar invested in building houses or repairing houses returns \$3 in the economy.
- (6) Condemns the Morrison Federal Government for failing to invest in adequate income support or social housing in its Federal Budget on 6 October 2020, missing an opportunity to tackle poverty, homelessness and housing affordability while creating and supporting jobs in building and construction.
- (7) Calls on the Gutwein Liberal Government to:—

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- (a) provide long-term funding security for food relief;
- (b) set a target of 10% of all dwellings to be social and affordable housing; and
- (c) allocate further funding for urgent repairs and maintenance to public housing, creating jobs in construction for tradespeople. (13 October 2020)

371 Ms *Standen* to move—That the House:—

- (1) Notes that World Homelessness Day on 10 October 2020 raised awareness globally and locally, and was a reminder that too many people are struggling to put a roof over their heads.
- (2) Recognises service providers are relying on outdated official data; Census 2016 showed that homelessness impacts more than 1,600 Tasmanians on any given night, especially young people and older women, and is not confined to our larger cities, with at least half the homeless population living in regional and rural areas.
- (3) Further notes that the most recent service usage data suggests homelessness is not only getting worse in Tasmania may have doubled since 2016 and shows there are 31 requests to shelters every day that go unassisted.
- (4) Agrees that housing ends homelessness, but the housing waitlist has increased 64% since the Liberal Government took office.
- (5) Further notes that in this term the Government has provided only short-term responses to address homelessness without a long-term plan.
- (6) Calls on the Liberal Government to:—
 - (a) adopt the recommendations of the Housing Affordability Select Committee report;
 - (b) provide long-term funding security for the Safe Night Space program to continue operations beyond end 2020;
 - (c) fund an extension of the Street2Home program in northern Tasmania; and
 - (d) outline a long-term plan for the extension of shelters.
- (7) Condemns the Minister for Housing, Hon. Roger Jaensch MP for failing to respond adequately to the deepening homelessness emergency. (13 October 2020)

372 Ms *White* to move—That the House expresses no confidence in the Minister for Human Services, Hon. Roger Jaensch MP for the following reasons:—

- (1) Serious allegations have been raised about the mistreatment of children in the Many Colours 1 Direction program in the Northern Territory.
- (2) The Minister for Human Services, Hon. Roger Jaensch MP's refusal to bring Tasmanian children in the program home, despite unresolved concerns about the treatment of children and the identity of the program's founder, Allan Brahminy.
- (3) The Minister said in a radio interview on 2 October 2020 that allegations Allan Brahminy concocted his identity and indigenous background would not form part of the investigation.
- (4) The Minister has repeatedly assured this Parliament and the people of Tasmania that children in the Brahminy program are safe and are being successfully rehabilitated.
- (5) Video evidence has emerged which shows a participant in the program allegedly speeding in a stolen vehicle, risking the safety of themselves and members of the public.
- (6) The Minister would have known, or ought to have known about this incident when he claimed children in the program were safe.
- (7) The Minister has actively played down concerns about the safety of the children in the program, including describing the disturbing incident of a child stealing a vehicle and speeding through a community area as "more of a joyride."
- (8) The Minister has repeatedly misled the Parliament and is unfit to be a Minister of the Crown. (14 October 2020)

373 The Minister for Veterans' Affairs to move—That the House:—

- (1) Recognises that Veterans' Health Week is being held from 24 October – 1 November 2020.
- (2) Notes that the Week—an annual national week—raises awareness of improving health and wellbeing for former and current serving Australian Defence Force personnel, their families and carers.

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- (3) Further notes that the Week also highlights the key role played by the Federal Department of Veterans' Affairs, ex-serving organisations and community groups in supporting our veterans and ex-serving personnel.
- (4) Acknowledges that the theme for Veterans' Health Week in 2020 is social connection—a reflection of the impact that COVID-19 has had on our community during 2020.
- (5) Further acknowledges support provided by the Tasmanian Liberal Government to Tasmania's more than 10,500 veterans and ex-serving personnel which includes more than \$750,000 in additional funding over three years.
- (6) Further notes that this support includes a \$225,000 Veterans Active Recreation Program, \$100,000 commitment to a Veterans Retreat in Tasmania's Central Highlands and \$60,000 support towards a feasibility study into a potential veterans wellbeing centre in Tasmania.
- (7) Encourages Tasmanians, particularly our veterans and ex-serving personnel, to participate in events and support mental wellness. (15 October 2020)

374 The Minister for Health to move—That the House:—

- (1) Recognises and congratulates Stephen and Jill Roney, owners of Stephen Roney Hairdressing, for their 50 years of operation in the hairdressing industry and business, based in Northern Tasmania.
- (2) Acknowledges that running a business at times is challenging, however the way in which Stephen and Jill have employed local people and supported the broader Launceston community has ensured their success over the years, creating a strong brand that is known and loved by their clients.
- (3) Notes the challenges faced by many businesses within our community as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, including the hairdressing industry, and recognises the resilience shown by Stephen and Jill to overcome these challenges and adapt their business during this unprecedented time.
- (4) Congratulates Stephen and Jill on achieving a commendable milestone within their journey as business owners and wishes them all the best and many more years of success.
- (5) Encourages the Tasmanian community to continue to support local business within our State as we move towards recovery, so that more businesses can celebrate significant milestones as well. (15 October 2020)

375 The Minister for Health to move—That the House:—

- (1) Congratulates the YMCA Launceston on their 140th birthday which was celebrated on 3 October 2020.
- (2) Notes the integral role in the local community the YMCA has, being a key advocate for strong people, strong families and strong communities.
- (3) Recognises the importance of the start of the Young Men's Christian Association (YMCA) which focussed on helping men to find employment, gain friendships, open homes and increase work in the church and State.
- (4) Further recognises the growth the YMCA has had over the many years and the important role it has played in the Launceston community, through the introduction of programs such as judo, yoga, indoor bowls, square dancing, trampolining, netball and Sunday night folk music and the coffee shop, which has continued to broaden opportunities for all ages from the 1960's to the present day.
- (5) Pays tribute to the late Ray Willis, CEO over many years who helped to establish the YMCA as an integral part of the Launceston community, creating a welcoming atmosphere where anyone could go and be given an equal chance to participate no matter their skill level.
- (6) Acknowledges the current CEO, Jodie Johnson who has been an employee of the YMCA for the past 40 years and has worked tirelessly to ensure the Launceston community has programs and services which support all ranges of people from adults through to children.
- (7) Congratulates the Board, CEO Jodie Johnson and the broader YMCA staff and volunteers on reaching such a milestone of their 140th birthday and wishes them all the success into the future. (15 October 2020)

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376 The Minister for Health to move—That the House:—

- (1) Congratulates Brooke Brown from the Launceston Football Club Women's team on being selected in the AFLW Draft at pick 49 to enter the 2021 season with Tasmanian affiliated AFLW team North Melbourne.
- (2) Recognises that Brooke will be the 12th Tasmanian woman to have been drafted within the AFLW system since its inaugural season in 2017, which has seen the women's competition grow, supported and loved by many around the nation.
- (3) Acknowledges that Brooke will join fellow Northern Tasmanian's Daria Bannister, Abbey Green and Mia King, all playing their senior women's football in the Tasmanian State League with the Launceston Football Club.
- (4) Further recognises Brooke's immense talent across a range different sports that she has participated in, noting that Brooke has been a member of the successful Launceston Tornadoes Women's basketball team over a number of years, with basketball being her sport of choice in the past.
- (5) Congratulates Brooke on a milestone achievement and wishes her every success for her inaugural season in the AFLW for North Melbourne.
- (6) Encourages all women and girls to follow their dreams to ensure they have every opportunity to strive for the next level within their sporting journey whether it be in the AFLW or another sporting code. (15 October 2020)

378 Ms *Standen* to move—That the House:—

- (1) Notes that Anti-Poverty Week was held 11-17 October 2020.
- (2) Acknowledges that according to TasCOSS about 120,000 Tasmanians live in poverty, and that, sadly, it is estimated that one in four Tasmanians live below the poverty line, affecting thousands of children.
- (3) Further notes that the Tasmanian Commissioner for Children and Young People estimates that 4,000 Tasmanian children were lifted out of poverty over the past six months as Federal Government income support payments were increased in response to COVID-19.
- (4) Further acknowledges that for many Tasmanian children, increased income support payments meant a better standard of living, and that it was the first time they had full bellies every day of the week.
- (5) Further notes with concern that the Commissioner for Children and Young People predicts that with cuts to JobSeeker and JobKeeper, thousands of children will again be forced to live in poverty.
- (6) Calls on the Gutwein Liberal Government to outline what it is doing to ensure those 4,000 children and their families not find themselves living back below the poverty line. (15 October 2020)

379 Ms *O'Byrne* to move—That the House:—

- (1) Notes that October is Work Safe month.
- (2) Further notes that Safe Work Australia released data this in October 2020 showing that the rate of workplace injury and fatalities in 2019 have increased for the first time since 2007. There were 183 workplace fatalities in 2019, an increase of 38 from 2018.
- (3) Further notes that On 25 February 2019, the Report of the first national review of Australia's model Work Health and Safety (WHS) laws was released. The Report called for the introduction of new offences of gross negligence and industrial manslaughter.
- (4) Further notes that Ministers responsible for WHS were expected to respond to Ms Boland's report in 2019.
- (5) Further notes that Industrial manslaughter provisions have been introduced in Act, Queensland, Northern Territory, Victoria and Western Australia.
- (6) Calls on the Government to act immediately to introduce industrial manslaughter provisions. (15 October 2020)

380 Ms *O'Byrne* to move—That:—

- (1) A Select Committee be appointed, with the power to send for persons and papers, to inquire into and report upon insecure work, wage theft and labour hire, with particular reference to the:—
 - (a) impact of Covid-19 on workers in insecure work;

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- (b) social and economic impacts of insecure work in Tasmania;
 - (c) links between workforce casualisation and insecure work and wage theft;
 - (d) prevalence of systematic wage theft of Tasmanian workers;
 - (e) drivers of wage theft and the role of government, employer organisations and unions in addressing and preventing wage theft;
 - (f) social and economic impacts, of replacing permanent employees, apprentices and trainees with labour hire workers;
 - (g) extent and impact on long-term workforce needs of the practice of replacing permanent employees, apprentices and trainees with labour hire workers;
 - (h) allegations that labour hire and sham contracting are employed to avoid workplace laws and other statutory obligations;
 - (i) housing and conditions for workers employed in the labour hire industry;
 - (j) enforcement of current laws in the labour hire industry;
 - (k) allegations of exploitation, harassment and other mistreatment of workers;
 - (l) regulatory mechanisms to meet the objectives of protecting the rights of vulnerable workers; and
 - (m) other matters incidental thereto.
- (2) The Committee shall consist of 5 Members, being: 2 Members of the Government nominated by the Leader of the House; 2 Members of the Opposition nominated by the Leader of the Opposition; 1 Member of the Tasmanian Greens nominated by the Leader of the Tasmanian Greens; and the Honourable Member for Clark, Ms *Ogilvie*.
- (3) The Committee report by 30 March 2021. (15 October 2020)

381 Ms *O'Connor* to move— That the House:—

- (1) Notes Mental Health Week in Tasmania was held between 5-10 October 2020.
- (2) Acknowledges the critical importance of protecting the mental wellbeing of the most vulnerable and marginalised within our community.
- (3) Recognises that the LGBTI Health Alliance reports that:—
 - (a) 57.2% of Transgender and Gender Diverse people aged 18 and over have been diagnosed with depression in their lifetime;
 - (b) 53% of Transgender people aged 18 and over have self-harmed in their lifetime, 11% currently self-harming;
 - (c) Transgender people aged 18 and over are six and a half times more likely to self-harm and nearly eleven times more likely to attempt suicide;
 - (d) 35% of Transgender people aged 18 and over have attempted suicide in their lifetime; and
 - (e) 41% of Transgender people and people with a Non-Binary gender, aged 18 years and over, reported thoughts of suicide or self-harm in the last 2 weeks.
- (4) Understands transphobic statements only add to the already heavy mental health burden carried by many transgender people.
- (5) Further acknowledges that community leaders have responsibility to reduce mental health pressures in every way possible, not amplify them.
- (6) Condemns Liberal Senator the Hon. Claire Chandler for her damaging transphobic statements and continued lack of empathy for transgender Tasmanians. (15 October 2020)

SHANE DONNELLY, *Clerk of the House*