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NOTICES OF MOTION

No. 52

TUESDAY, 18 AUGUST 2020

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

- (1) Notes that the future of Tasmanian creative industries is at stake and that more must be done to provide immediate support to Tasmanian creative organisations and individuals to sustain employment and develop new works.
- (2) Acknowledges the Tasmanian Arts Sector supports 5000 jobs and contributes \$127m to the Tasmanian economy.
- (3) Recognises that the Government is not doing enough to protect Tasmania's Creative and Cultural Industries and that the recent \$1.5M stimulus package announced by the Government is inadequate.
- (4) Understands that new analysis by Deloitte Access Economics estimates the Australian Arts and recreation industries have lost \$6.5 billion in wages and profits since 1 April, 2020 and that data released in June 2020 by the Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) indicates that the Arts and Recreation industry is the hardest hit by Covid-19. Only 47% of Arts and Recreation businesses remain trading.
- (5) Further acknowledges the State Government's investment in building digital and screen capacity however, notes the Government's limited investment in education, equipment and infrastructure in this area. The available grants are inadequate.
- (6) Further notes that other jurisdictions have recognised the vital economic and social importance of Arts and Culture and have released support packages accordingly. NSW have announced \$50M in support, Victoria has invested \$19M in support.
- (7) Calls on the Minister for the Arts, Hon. Elise Archer MP to release the 'Cultural and Creative Arts Strategy 2019 and beyond' detailing the forward strategy, direction, and initiatives to be delivered to support the Tasmanian Creative Cultural sector. (3 June 2020)

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

- (1) Notes the landmark Federal Court decision in *Friends of Leadbeater's Possum V VicForests*, handed down on 26 May 2020.
- (2) Further notes the judgment confirms that if the State is not delivering protection for threatened and endangered species, it is not exempt from national environment law.
- (3) Agrees Justice Mortimer's decision, that logging operations in Victoria are not exempt from S.38 threatened species provisions in the Environment Protection Biodiversity Conservation (EPBC) Act 1999, places a large question mark over native forest logging in Tasmania.
- (4) Accepts the evidence of independent scientists and the Forest Stewardship Council confirming native forest logging in Tasmania is destroying critical habitat and driving species such as the swift parrot, masked owl and giant wedge-tailed eagle to extinction.
- (5) Further agrees the Regional Forest Agreement, signed between the industry and State and Federal Governments, is a primary vehicle for habitat loss and biodiversity decline.
- (6) Further notes with ongoing concern the Tasmanian Government's failure to fund and deliver threatened species recovery plans is compounding the threat of species' extinction.

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- (7) Puts the Tasmanian native forest logging industry and its political enablers on notice that courts, scientists and civil society will continue to expose the industry's crimes against nature. (3 June 2020)

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

- (1) Commends the Gutwein Government for working with the Greens and the community sector to implement a freeze on residential rent increases and a moratorium on residential evictions, and for the establishment of a Rent Relief Fund.
- (2) Acknowledges the COVID-19 response has included additional money for organisations supporting homeless Tasmanians.
- (3) Recognises that despite their best efforts, homelessness services do not have the capacity to cope with the number of Tasmanians without a home.
- (4) Understands many people are still being forced to sleep rough around Tasmania.
- (5) Further understands the situation for those sleeping rough is always very difficult, but will become even harder now that winter has arrived.
- (6) Urges the Government to immediately act to provide safe and secure shelter to all homeless Tasmanians. (3 June 2020)

295 Mrs *Rylah* to move—That the House:—

- (1) Congratulates Jake Blokker on recently receiving the prestigious 2020 Housing Industry Association (HIA) Jim Brookes Australian Apprentice Award.
- (2) Notes his employer, Adam Ritson of AJR Construction, nominated Jake for the Award because he recognised Jake's incredible work ethic, attention to detail, exceptional progress in all areas from workmanship to client communications and his blossoming leadership skills which together exemplified the highest standards for a young apprentice.
- (3) Acknowledges Tasmania's need for talented tradesmen, like Jake, especially as we recover from COVID-19. His talent will help to put Tasmania on the map for innovation and an attractive option for investment in construction opportunities.
- (4) Further notes the unique work experience Jake participated in while working in the Tasman National Park on the Three Capes eco-tourism lodges over 2019-2020. Jake is recorded as saying this award winning architectural designed project ignited his passion for the out-of-the-ordinary building projects.
- (5) Wishes Jake great success in his future building career and for a continuation of the quality of learning, workmanship, adventure and challenges enjoyed so far as this bodes well for the Tasmanian construction industry to have people of this exceptional standard as our young leaders.
- (6) Further congratulates Jake on his recognition and achievements. (3 June 2020)

296 Mrs *Rylah* to move—That the House:—

- (1) Condemns Labor's dithering plans for the social and economic direction of Tasmania, frequently changing their calls during the crucial emergency period of the COVID-19 pandemic to suit their political agenda.
- (2) Records Labor's call for complete shutdown of the entire State without any thought to the economic aftermath or recovery, followed by demands for selected industries to be re-opened with no plan or public health advice.
- (3) Acknowledges the anxiety and trepidation within the community, as the State faced economic and social restrictions due to COVID-19. Labor's flip-flops and fear mongering only aided in creating more anxiety, when support for the Government would have calmed the community.
- (4) Notes Braddon has been impacted far greater than the rest of the State, due to the need for Level 4 lockdown and its high percentage of people employed in the hard hit tourism and hospitality industry.
- (5) Further notes calls by Braddon's Labor members to endorse their 'North West Support Package' made up of projects funded, planned and previously announced by the Gutwein Liberal Government, again highlights the lazy Labor we have known for seven years.
- (6) Congratulates the Gutwein Liberal Government for its unwavering commitment to Tasmania's successful road to recovery, through unprecedented infrastructure spending on projects like the Bass Highway upgrades west of Wynyard, the coastal pathway,

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affordable houses, school upgrades and importantly our strong buy local/employ local messages. (3 June 2020)

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

- (1) Acknowledges the right of communities to have a say about their local area.
- (2) Recognises the critical importance of third party appeals in planning decisions.
- (3) Hears the concerns of Westbury residents, worried about the impact a prison will have on their area.
- (4) Notes the Labor Party's 2018 Election policy on planning, rejected ministerial call in powers, and committed to the right of third party appeals in discretionary developments.
- (5) Further notes with shame the Opposition Leader, Hon. Rebecca White MP's statements in support of the proposed Major Projects legislation, abandoning those principles.
- (6) Further recognises the Greens are steadfast in our commitment to democratic accountability in our planning system and the right of appeal.
- (7) Calls on both the Liberals and Labor to rethink their support for undemocratic and unnecessary Major Projects legislation. (4 June 2020)

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

- (1) Notes that deer are a feral species that was introduced to Tasmania in 1836.
- (2) Recognises that Government policy has encouraged deer population growth to provide sport for hunters, at the expense of farmers and the natural environment.
- (3) Understands Tasmania is one of only two Australian jurisdictions that doesn't treat feral deer as a pest species, and in fact protects fallow deer better than it protects many of its endemic native species.
- (4) Acknowledges with regret that despite fallow deer are an increasingly difficult and expensive problem for primary producers, natural values, the integrity of protected areas and – critically – road safety, the Primary Minister for Primary Industries and Water, Hon. Guy Barnett MP has refused to provide a briefing to the Greens, requested on behalf of frustrated stakeholders.
- (5) Supports the call made by the Invasive Species Council for a deer management plan that treats deer as the destructive pest species they are, and works to remove them from the landscape.
- (6) Calls on the Minister for Primary Industries and Water to develop a plan that eradicates feral deer from Tasmania rather than encouraging them to have a permanent, destructive place in this fragile landscape, at the expense of farmers and taxpayers. (4 June 2020)

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

- (1) Notes the persistent, grave injustice of police brutality and racial discrimination suffered by people of colour in the United States of America, a nation beset by widespread riots, protests and looting over the murder of George Floyd.
- (2) Understands these protests are the outcome of generations of systemic racism and oppression.
- (3) Condemns the response and actions of the Trump administration both in its treatment of minorities and its role in fanning the flames of hatred, violence and civil unrest.
- (4) Recognises Aboriginal Australians have long suffered as a result of both government policy and societal racism, and that this suffering has far too often been ignored.
- (5) Acknowledges that the palawa/pakana people are the original owners of lutruwita/Tasmania, and that their land was never ceded.
- (6) Accepts elected representatives have a responsibility to protect the rights and dignities of the first people of lutruwita, with respect to their genocidal history and enduring pain, lack of political representation and the grievous robbing of their country.
- (7) Commits to justice for this island's first people, and achieving genuine reconciliation through:—
 - (a) land returns;
 - (b) Treaty;
 - (c) honouring the 1831 agreement with George Robinson; and
 - (d) changing the date of Australia Day. (4 June 2020)

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SHANE DONNELLY, *Clerk of the House*