

## MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

OF

## The Honourable the House of Assembly

At a hybrid meeting of the House of Assembly at the Worthing Corporate Centre on Tuesday the 12th day of October, 2021, at 10.00 a.m. pursuant to the adjournment.

### **PRESENT**

His Honour A. E. Holder, B.Sc. (Hons.), MSW, LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C. (Speaker) His Honour N. G. H. Rowe, J.P. (Deputy Speaker)

- Mr. G. W. Payne, Q.C.
- Hon. R. St. C. Toppin, LL.B. (Hons.) (Minister of International Business and Industry)
- Hon. Miss C. Y. Forde, J.P., L.C.P. (Minister of People Empowerment and Elder Affairs)
- Hon. D. D. Marshall, Q.C., LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C. (Attorney General and Minister of Legal Affairs)
- Mr. T. A. Prescod, J.P., B.A.
- Hon. K. D. Symmonds, B.A., LL.B. (Minister of Energy, Small Business and Entrepreneurship)
- Mr. E. G. Hinkson, LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C., LL.M.
- Hon. D. G. Sutherland, B.Sc., M.Sc., M.B.A. (Dist.) (Minister of Youth, Sports and Community Empowerment)
- Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw, LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C. (Minister of Education, Technological and Vocational Training)
- Bishop J. J. S. Atherley, J.P., B.A., B.Sc., PgD. (Leader of the Opposition)
- Dr. the Hon. W. F. Duguid, J.P., B.D.S., F.D.S., F.D.R.C.S., M. Min. (Minister of Housing, Lands and Maintenance)
- Hon. W. A. Abrahams, LL.B. (Minister of Home Affairs, Information and Public Affairs)

- Hon. Ms. C. S. V. Husbands, B.A. (Hons.), M.Sc. (Minister in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Foreign Trade)
- Mr. R. A. Thorne, Q.C., LL.B., L.E.C., Dip. Theology Hon. I. A. Weir, M.B.A. (Minister of Agriculture and Food Security)
- Hon. A. R. Forde, RPh. (Minister of Environment and National Beautification) (Online)
- Hon. C. McD. Griffith, B.Sc. (Minister in the Ministry of Water Resources)
- Hon. P. R. Phillips (Minister in the Ministry of Housing, Lands and Maintenance)
- Hon. J. A. King, BSS (Minister in the Prime Minister's Office)
- Hon. G. P. I. Gooding-Edghill (Minister of Transport, Works and Water Resources)
- Hon. C. E. Jordan, B.Sc. (Hons.) (Minister of Labour and Social Partnership Relations and the Third Sector)
- Dr. S. E. Browne, M.B.B.S. (Chairman of Committees)
- Hon. R. R. Straughn, B.Sc., M.Sc. (Minister in the Ministry of Finance)
- Hon. Ms. M. K-A. Caddle, B.A., M.Sc. (Minister in the Ministry of Economic Affairs and Investment) (Online)

and

Ms. T. N. S-A. Moore, M.B.A.

### **ABSENT**

Hon. Miss M. A. Mottley, Q.C., LL.B. (Prime Minister, Minister of Finance, Economic Affairs and Investment, Minister of National Security and the Civil Service), Lt. Col. the Hon. J. D. Bostic, MVO, B.A. (Hons.) (Minister of Health and Wellness) and Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey, B.Sc., M.Sc., M.P.A. (Minister of Maritime Affairs and the Blue Economy).

Prayers were taken by Rev. Father Mark Harewood.

### MINUTES

The Minutes of the meeting of Tuesday, 5th October, 2021 were taken as read and were confirmed on the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams.

### **ORDERS OF THE DAY**

### SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw seconded by Hon. Miss C. Y. Forde Standing Orders 6, 16, 18, 20, 42(5), 43 and 44 were suspended for the remainder of the Sitting.

### **GOVERNMENT BUSINESS**

### **ORDER NO. 6**

### PREVENTION OF CORRUPTION BILL, 2021

On the Order being called for Hon. D. D. Marshall to move the second reading of the Bill entitled an Act to provide for the prevention, investigation and prosecution of acts of corruption, the Hon. Member spoke and moved seconded by Hon. J. A. King that the Bill be read a second time.

Bishop J. J. S. Atherley began to speak.

Hon. D. D. Marshall spoke on a point of order.

Bishop J. J. S. Atherley resumed his speech.

Hon. Miss C. Y. Forde spoke on a point of order.

Bishop J. J. S. Atherley concluded his speech.

Hon. K. D. Symmonds spoke.

### **SUSPENSION**

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams the Sitting was suspended at 1.42 p.m. to 3.00 p.m.

### RESUMPTION

On resumption Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

### **GOVERNMENT NOTICES (recommitted)**

Hon. R. R. Straughn gave notice of:

Debt Settlement (Arrears) Bill, 2021.

### FIRST READINGS OF BILLS (recommitted)

On the motion of Hon. R. R. Straughn seconded by Hon. C. E. Jordan the Debt Settlement (Arrears) Bill, 2021 was read a first time.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS BY HIS HONOUR THE SPEAKER (recommitted)

Mr. Speaker read the following:



Ref. No. 0075/10

12 October 2021

His Honour Speaker of The Honourable The House of Assembly Parliament of Barbados c/o Worthing Corporate Centre Worthing Christ Church

Dear Mr. Speaker,

Section 14 (1) of the Constitution Amendment Act 2021 provides for the Prime Minister and the Leader of Opposition to no later than the 15th October 2021 nominate a person to be elected as President of Barbados.

I have the honour to inform you that Her Excellency Dame Sandra Mason, G.C.M.G., DA, QC, Governor-General, has assented to the proposal to be nominated as President and Head of State of Barbados by myself, as Prime Minister, and by the Leader of the Opposition, the Hon. Joseph Atherley.

I therefore officially advise of you, Mr. Speaker, of the joint nomination of Her Excellency Dame Sandra Mason, G.C.M.G, DA, QC, Governor-General, by the Prime Minister of Barbados and the Leader of the Opposition of Barbados in accordance with Section 14 (1) and (2) of the Constitution Amendment Act 2021.

Mia Amor Mottley, Q.C., M.P Prime Minister Bishop Joseph J. S. Atherley, J.P., M.P.

Leader of the Opposition

His Honour Speaker of The Honourable The House of Assembly

# GOVERNMENT BUSINESS (resumed) ORDER NO. 6 (resumed) PREVENTION OF CORRUPTION BILL, 2021

Mr. G. W. Payne spoke.

Hon. R. R. Straughn spoke.

Hon. Miss C. Y. Forde spoke.

Dr. S. E. Browne began to speak.

Mr. Speaker spoke.

Dr. S. E. Browne concluded her speech.

Mr. E. G. Hinkson spoke.

Hon. W. A. Abrahams spoke.

Mr. R. A. Thorne spoke.

Hon. D. D. Marshall spoke in reply.

The Bill was read a second time.

On the motion of Hon. D. D. Marshall seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams the House went into Committee, Dr. S. E. Browne in the Chair.

Part 1 (Clauses 1 to 3); Part 2 (Clauses 4 to 13); Part 3 (Clauses 14 to 16); Part 4 (Clauses 17 to 19); Part 5 (Clauses 20 to 24) and the Schedule were called and passed on the separate motion of Hon. D. D. Marshall seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams.

On the motion of Hon. D. D. Marshall seconded by Hon. P. R. Phillips the Chairman reported the passing of the Bill in Committee to Mr. Speaker who resumed the Chair and reported accordingly.

On the separate motion of Hon. D. D. Marshall seconded by Hon. J. A. King the Bill was read a third time and passed and the title read and agreed to.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw spoke and moved seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams that the House be adjourned to Wednesday, 20th October, 2021 at 10.00 a.m.

Mr. Speaker spoke.

The motion was passed.

At 7.14 p.m. Mr. Speaker adjourned the Sitting.

N. R. JONES, Q.C. Deputy Clerk of Parliament.

The Minutes were certified correct and confirmed the , 2021.

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Speaker.

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