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THURSDAY, 7 AUGUST 2014

- 1. The House met at 14:15.
- 2. The Speaker took the Chair and read the prayer.
- 3. [14:18] The Chief Whip moved: That, notwithstanding Rule 198, precedence be given to the Speaker's debate.

Agreed to.

4. [14:19] Speaker's Debate

Substance abuse and domestic violence: the rights, role and contribution of women in the Western Cape.

Debate concluded.

- 5. [15:16] Interpellations.
- 6. [15:54] Questions.
- 7. [16:55] Statements by Members.
- 8. [17:18] Notice of Motions.
- 9. [17:23] Ms A J D Marais moved without notice: That the House congratulates the Department of Health with their recent achievement award at an international congress in Belgium for the effective use of information technology and that their primary health care information system facilitates service delivery dramatically and promotes good planning to benefit staff and patients.

Agreed to.

10. Mr S G Tyatyam moved without notice: That the House congratulates the Community Police Forums on their working programmes and for patrolling their communities at night and in the mornings, to allow people to be free from gang activities.

Agreed to.

11. Ms B A Schäfer moved without notice: That the House congratulates the City of Cape Town for being named by *Business Insider* as one of the most innovative cities in the world.

Agreed to.

- 12. Mr D Joseph moved without notice: That the House
 - (1) notes the earthquake that took place two days ago in the North West province where one person was killed;
 - (2) further notes that over 400 houses had been damaged in Orkney and the tremor was felt in other provinces;

therefore sympathises with our fellow South Africans and notes that disaster management centres had been able to respond timeously to their call.

Agreed to.

13. Mr B D Kivedo moved without notice: That the House appreciates our women by celebrating Women's month, and salute them for their loyalty, courage, sacrifices, faith and love.

Agreed to.

14. Ms P Z Lekker moved without notice: That the House commends the SAPS National Commissioner, Riah Phiyega, for her commitment to step up the campaign against drugs and gangs.

Agreed to.

15. Mr N E Hinana moved without notice: That the House congratulates the South African Police Service for their speedy arrest of the killers of the Nyanga Police officers.

Agreed to.

16. Ms M N Gillion moved without notice: That the House commends the community of Bonteheuwel, who stands united with civil society and clergy against the scourge of drugs and gangs to claim back their streets and community.

Agreed to.

17. Ms B A Schäfer moved without notice: That the House congratulates the Two Oceans Aquarium for ranking in the top 10 aquariums in the world by *TripAdvisor*, in their 2014 Travellers' Choice Zoo and Aquarium Awards.

Agreed to.

18. Ms S W Davids moved without notice: That the House commends all citizens who stand up against the murderous killings of about two thousand people in Palestine, and wishes them well for their planned mass march in Cape Town on Women's Day this Saturday.

Agreed to.

19. Mr R D MacKenzie moved without notice: That the House congratulates TEAM SA, particularly the women athletes, for doing so well at the Commonwealth Games in Scotland, and encourage SASCOC and all federations to make as much resources available to ensure that our women can compete equally on the global stage.

Agreed to.

20. Ms D Gopie moved without notice: That the House commends all those mothers who can breastfeed their babies and encourage those who are able to donate breast milk to do so at their hospitals, for this milk to be used for other children.

Agreed to.

- 21. Mr R D MacKenzie moved without notice: That the House-
 - (1) notes that the upcoming Netball Championships will be taking place in Bellville Velodrome from 10-16 August 2014; and
 - (2) further notes that netball is the biggest women sport in this country

therefore:-

- (i) urges the people of the Western Cape to support this championship; and
- (ii) urges corporates to come on board and support this sport.

Agreed to.

22. Mr C M Dugmore moved without notice: That the House welcomes the dismissal of a Public Works official from the national Department of Public Works, who was found by a disciplinary hearing to have appointed an unregistered quantity surveyor and paid sums grossly inflated by contractors, and commends the Special Investigative Unit which probed the matter resulting in five disciplinary charges being brought against the said official.

Agreed to.

- 23. Ms L J Botha moved without notice: That the House congratulates the following six ecocentres in the Western Cape, for receiving the International Eco-Centre Award from the Wildlife and Environment Society of South Africa (WESSA), given exclusively to ecocentres registered with WESSA and meet the strict criteria set by the Foundation for Environmental Education based in Denmark. They are:-
 - (a) The Mike Woods Environment Education Centre in the Helderberg Nature Reserve (Somerset West);
 - (b) False Bay Nature Reserve (Rondevlei);
 - (c) Zandvlei Nature Reserve (Steenberg);
 - (d) Kristo Pienaar Environmental Education Centre in the Tygerberg Nature Reserve (Bellville);
 - (e) Edith Stephens Nature Reserve (Philippi); and
 - (f) The Simonsberg Environmental Education Centre of the Greater Simon's Town Conservancy (Stellenbosch).

Agreed to.

- 24. Mr R D MacKenzie moved without notice: That the House notes that -
 - (1) the provincial Department of Social Development compiled the directory of services for victims of crime and violence;
 - (2) this directory was compiled with the assistance from departments such as the South African Police Services, the Department of Justice and Constitutional Development, non-governmental organisations and the private sector; and
 - (3) this directory is a comprehensive and detailed guide of where victims of violence can access assistance and services;

therefore congratulates the Department for launching this directory today.

25. The House adjourned at 17:30.

R G HINDLEY Secretary to Provincial Parliament