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PARLIAMENT OF THE PROVINCE OF THE WESTERN CAPE

THURSDAY, 3 OCTOBER 2019

- 1. The House met at 14:15.
- 2. The Speaker took the Chair and read the prayer.
- 3. [14:16] The Chief Whip moved without notice: That, notwithstanding the provisions of Rule 20(1), precedence be given to the Subject for Discussion.

Agreed to.

4. [14:17] The House discussed the following subject in the name of hon R I Allen:

The annual national crime statistics released by the national Minister of Police and the impact that it has on the citizens of the Western Cape.

Debate concluded.

- 5. [15:31] Interpellations.
- 6. [16:02] Questions.
- 7. [16:48] Statements by Members.
- 8. [17:08] Response to statements by Members by Premier A R Winde.
- 9. [17:12] Notices of Motion.
- 10. [17:17] Ms L J Botha moved without notice: That the House congratulates the Cederberg Municipality on receiving its third unqualified or clean audit under a DA-led council.

Agreed to.

11. Mr R I Allen moved without notice: That the House congratulates Rlabs, a non-profit organisation based in Athlone, Cape Town, on successfully hosting 350 young people between the ages of 10 and 17 at a boot camp over the school holidays; and notes that NXTGEN boot camp is a holiday programme where young people are introduced to artificial intelligence, animation, robotics and coding.

Agreed to.

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12. Ms M M Wenger moved without notice: That the House congratulates the Secretary, Romeo Adams, on his birthday today; and wishes him a very happy birthday and trusts that he will have a lovely day and many more to come.

Agreed to.

13. Mr P Marran moved without notice: That the House notes that the oldest resident of Touws River, Margaret Maritz (known as Aunty Griet), was given celebrity treatment on her birthday; and sends its congratulations to her and her family.

Agreed to.

14. Ms D M Baartman moved without notice: That the House notes that the Laingsburg Karoo Marathon took place in Laingsburg on Saturday 28 September 2019; congratulates Mr Lucas Nonyana and Ms Cecilia Nel after respectively winning the male and female categories of the full marathon; further congratulates Councillor Bertie van As, the Arlington Athletics Club, the Laingsburg Municipality and the Western Cape Department of Cultural Affairs and Sport for organising this fun-filled family event; further notes that it is a sign of strength, perseverance and discipline to be able to complete a marathon; and conveys its thanks to the participants of the various categories for displaying such leadership.

Agreed to.

15. Ms L J Botha moved without notice: That the House notes the opening of the revamped "tech-savvy" Botha's Halte Primary School on Friday 20 September 2019 by the Western Cape Minister of Education, Debbie Schäfer; and further notes that this is a great example of the Western Cape Education Department's Collaboration Schools Initiative.

Agreed to.

16. Ms W F Philander moved without notice: That the House, following the visit by the Standing Committee on Health to the Grassy Park Community Health Care Facility yesterday, the House congratulates Dr Grammaer, Sister Meyer and their staff for running an excellent facility and for exemplary and passionate service rendered to the community of Grassy Park and the neighbouring communities; notes that, with a population growth of 44 000 over the past five years and with the Pelican Park health facility's opening that will provide relief, the staff and surrounding communities are partners in ensuring that their facility renders the best services; and further notes that this facility shows what can be achieved in the health sector and serves as one of the great examples of how well our healthcare system operates in the Western Cape.

Agreed to.

17. Mr R I Allen moved without notice: That the House notes that on 20 and 21 September 2019 a total of 47 learners from the Department of Cultural Affairs and Sport's MOD programme dazzled audiences at the Joseph Stone Auditorium in Athlone; further notes that the production covered issues such as gender-based violence and children growing up without their parents as role models, while also showcasing the learners' talents in acting, dance, juggling and other skills; and congratulates the Minister, the Department and especially the learners involved.

Agreed to.

18. Ms N G Bakubaku-Vos moved without notice: That the House notes the recent British royal visit to Cape Town by the Duke of Sussex, Prince Harry, and his family; and thanks Duchess Meghan Markle for casting the world's spotlight on gender-based violence with her visit to the post office where Uyinene Mrwetyana was recently bashed to death, for tying a yellow ribbon at the entrance to the memory of the victim and for having a discussion with the victim's mother.

Agreed to.

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19. Ms L J Botha moved without notice: That the House congratulates Mr Gerry Kuhn and Mrs Pat Kuhn of Piketberg on their 51st wedding anniversary.

Agreed to.

20. Mr L L Mvimbi moved without notice: That the House notes the unacceptable attacks on traffic officers by especially taxi operators as recently happened at Milnerton; and urges the provincial government to do more to improve the status and image of these law enforcers.

Agreed to.

21. Ms L J Botha moved without notice: That the House wishes Ms Tania Steyn-Dowie, our secretary, who was involved in a car crash on Wednesday 2 October 2019, a speedy recovery.

Agreed to.

22. Mr D Smith moved without notice: That the House notes that Cape Town again seeks a rollover of unspent funds for informal settlement upgrade from the past financial year, and that this time R178 million was not used to improve the lives of the poorest.

Agreed to.

23. Ms N G Bakubaku-Vos moved without notice: That the House notes with concern the murder of 27-year-old Clarissa Lindoor on the Nietvoorbij Farm; further notes that it is alleged that Clarissa died at the hands of an abusive boyfriend who has since handed himself over to the police; calls on the provincial government to invest more resources into fighting the scourge of gender-based violence and femicide in the province; and conveys its condolences to the family and friends of Clarissa.

Agreed to.

24. Mr M K Sayed moved without notice: That the House notes the appointment of retired Constitutional Court Judge Edwin Cameron as new Chancellor of the University of Stellenbosch to succeed Johann Rupert who served two terms; and wishes Judge Cameron all of the best.

Agreed to.

25. Mr L L Mvimbi moved without notice: That the House notes that road killings in the province are too high and that in one recent crash on Ou Kaapse Weg 10 people died and 13 were injured, and that especially pedestrians are a vulnerable group; and calls on the provincial government to emphasise its position against road fatalities and crashes.

Agreed to.

26. Ms N D Nkondlo moved without notice: That the House notes that, on 30 September 342 years ago, one of the founding indigenous mothers of our nation, Krotoa, or Eva as called by the Van Riebeeck administration, and niece to the Khoi leader Autshumao, returned from Robben Island where she as multi-linguist and activist, together with her Danish surgeon husband Pieter van Meerhoff, stayed; and further notes that she was later imprisoned at the Castle and was buried in the fort on this day 345 years ago.

Agreed to.

27. Mr M K Sayed moved without notice: That the House notes the passing away of Galiema Haron, the wife of struggle hero and religious leader Imam Haron, who was brutally murdered by the apartheid regime 50 years ago; further notes that even at the time of her death Galiema did not know the truth about what exactly had happened to her husband and who had murdered him – one of 117 freedom fighters who perished in apartheid's detention without trial; conveys its sincere condolences to the family; and calls on the National Prosecuting Authority to reopen an inquest into the death of Imam Haron.

Agreed to.

28. Mr L L Mvimbi moved without notice: That the House notes that the province is fast becoming the violent theft capital of South Africa with statistics showing 14% of the country's hijackings taking place in the Western Cape; and urges the provincial government to step up traffic policing of provincial roads in order to decrease and contain this scourge.

Agreed to.

Ms N G Bakubaku-Vos moved without notice: That the House notes and congratulates the SAPS and the Hawks on arresting a 65-year-old suspect in East London for fraud of R4,7 million meant for Gugulethu upgrades; and further notes that the man will appear in court soon.

Agreed to.

30. The House adjourned at 17:50.

ROMEO ADAMS

Secretary to Provincial Parliament