

**Prayer**

Almighty God we humbly beseech Thee to vouchsafe Thy blessings upon this House, to direct and prosper our deliberations to the advancement of Thy glory and the true welfare of the people of Norfolk Island, Amen

Thank you Honourable Members. This is a specially convened meeting this morning to consider one matter only and I will firstly call upon Mrs Cuthbertson for a motion which relates to putting aside other matters this morning

**DISPENSATION OF BUSINESS BEFORE THE HOUSE**

MRS LOZZI CUTHBERTSON Thank you Mr Speaker, I seek leave to move a motion in the terms appearing on the Programme concerning dispensation of business before this House

MR SPEAKER Is leave granted? Leave is granted Mrs Cuthbertson thank you

MRS LOZZI CUTHBERTSON Thank you Mr Speaker. I move that consideration of the business before the House be dispensed with other than the matter of Extension of Appointment of the Chief Administrative Officer

MR SPEAKER Thank you Mrs Cuthbertson. I will that motion to the House unless there is some debate upon it

QUESTION PUT  
AGREED

The ayes have it and so we will proceed accordingly

**EXTENSION OF APPOINTMENT OF THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER**

MR KING Mr Speaker I seek leave to move a motion in the terms appearing on the Programme concerning the Extension of Appointment of the Chief Administrative Officer

MR SPEAKER Thank you. Is leave granted? Leave is granted Mr King thank you

MR KING Mr Speaker I move that this House rescinds the Resolution of the Legislative Assembly, described as Item No 11 in the Minutes of Proceedings of 13th September 1995 headed "EXTENSION OF APPOINTMENT OF THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER"

and

THAT this House recommends to His Honour the Administrator that, in pursuance of section 8 of the Public Service Ordinance 1979, he vary as follows, the terms and conditions of the appointment of Eric Roy Mitchell as Chief Administrative Officer as determined by the Deputy Administrator on 26 March 1993 and varied by the Administrator on 25 October 1994:

Clause 1 - Period of Appointment

Omit "for two years and six months, commencing on 19 April 1993" and substitute "from 19 April 1993 to 26 November 1995".

Clause 4 - Gratuity in Lieu of Superannuation and Long Service Leave

Omit subclause 4(1) and substitute the following:

"4. (1) The officer shall receive a gratuity, in lieu of superannuation and long service leave, payable at the end of the completed term of employment. The amount of the gratuity shall be a sum equal to 10% of

multiplied by the duration of the term of employment expressed in terms of numbers of years and fractions of a year."

MR SPEAKER Thank you Mr King

MR KING Thank you Mr Speaker. Mr Speaker that's alot of words to correct a motion of the last Sitting, 13th September 1995, about the extension of Mr Mitchell's appointment and it proposes a replacement motion. The purpose of this procedure is to remedy the inadequate words of the earlier motion, so that proper calculation of gratuity can be made. The words "10% of annual salary" are clearly specified in this replacement motion. The motion of 13th September, was silent on this component of the calculation so basically, alot of words to correct a small error on the last occasion

MR SPEAKER Thank you Mr King. Any participation on debate in respect of that motion Honourable Members. The question before us is that that motion be agreed to

QUESTION PUT  
AGREED

The ayes have it, that motion is agreed thank you

#### CONFIRMATION OF THE NEXT SITTING DAY

The next matter is really confirmation of a date that we had already set but as we are coming together for abundant clarity in the matter I will seek a motion that we continue to come together on the 18th October, Mrs Sampson would you

MRS SAMPSON Mr Speaker, I move that this House at its rising adjourn until Wednesday 18 October 1995 at 10 am

MR SPEAKER Thank you, any discussion. The question is that that motion be agreed to

QUESTION PUT  
AGREED

The ayes have it, that motion is agreed thank you

#### ADJOURNMENT

MR BATES Mr Speaker I move that the House do now adjourn

MR SPEAKER The question is that the House do now adjourn. Do you wish to prolong this morning by having an adjournment debate Honourable Members? The question is that this House do now adjourn

QUESTION PUT  
AGREED

The ayes have it. Thank you Honourable Members. Therefore this House adjourns until Wednesday the 18th October 1995 at 10.00 o'clock in the morning.