



# MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

OF

## The Honourable the House of Assembly

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At a meeting of the House of Assembly at the Parliament Buildings on Tuesday the 15th day of October, 2019, pursuant to the adjournment.

### PRESENT

- His Honour G. A. Clarke, J.P., B.Sc., Dip. Ed. (*Deputy Speaker*)
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| Hon. G. W. Payne, Q.C. ( <i>Minister of Housing, Lands and Rural Development</i> )  | Mr. R. A. Thorne, Q.C., LL.B., L.E.C., Dip. Theology  |
| Hon. R. St. C. Toppin, LL.B. (Hons.) ( <i>Minister of International Business and Industry</i> )   | Hon. I. A. Weir, M.B.A. ( <i>Minister of Agriculture and Food Security</i> )  |
| Hon. Miss M. A. Mottley, Q.C., LL.B. ( <i>Prime Minister, Minister of Finance, Economic Affairs and Investment, Minister of National Security and the Civil Service</i> ) | Hon. A. R. Forde, RPh. ( <i>Minister of Youth and Community Empowerment</i> )   |
| Hon. Miss C. Y. Forde, J.P., L.C.P. ( <i>Minister of People Empowerment and Elder Affairs</i> )   | Hon. C. McD. Griffith, B.Sc. ( <i>Minister in the Ministry of Housing, Lands and Rural Development</i> )  |
| Hon. T. A. Prescod, B.A. ( <i>Minister of Environment and National Beautification</i> )   | Hon. P. R. Phillips ( <i>Minister in the Ministry of Transport, Works and Maintenance</i> )   |
| Hon. K. D. Symmonds, B.A., LL.B. ( <i>Minister of Tourism and International Transport</i> )   | Hon. J. A. King, BSS ( <i>Minister of Creative Economy, Culture and Sports</i> )  |
| Lt. Col. the Hon. J. D. Bostic, MVO, B.A. (Hons.) ( <i>Minister of Health and Wellness</i> )  | Hon. C. E. Jordan, B.Sc. (Hons.) ( <i>Minister of Labour and Social Partnership Relations</i> )   |
| Hon. E. G. Hinkson, LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C., LL.M. ( <i>Minister of Home Affairs</i> )  | Dr. S. E. Browne, M.B.B.S. ( <i>Chairman of Committees</i> )  |
| Hon. D. G. Sutherland, B.Sc., M.Sc., M.B.A. (Dist.) ( <i>Minister of Small Business, Entrepreneurship and Commerce</i> )  | Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey, B.Sc., M.Sc., M.P.A. ( <i>Minister of Maritime Affairs and the Blue Economy</i> )   |
| Bishop J. J. S. Atherley, J.P., B.A., B.Sc., PgD. ( <i>Leader of the Opposition</i> )   | Hon. R. R. Straughn, B.Sc., M.Sc. ( <i>Minister in the Ministry of Finance</i> )  |
| Dr. the Hon. W. F. Duguid, J.P., B.D.S., F.D.S., F.D.R.C.S., M.Min. ( <i>Minister of Transport, Works and Maintenance</i> )   | Hon. Miss M. K-A. Caddle, B.A., M.Sc. ( <i>Minister in the Ministry of Economic Affairs and Investment</i> )<br>and<br>Mr. N. G. H. Rowe ( <i>Parliamentary Secretary in the Ministry of People Empowerment and Elder Affairs</i> ) |

**ABSENT**

His Honour A. E. Holder, B.Sc. (Hons.), MSW, LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C. (*Speaker*), Hon. D. D. Marshall, Q.C., LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C. (*Attorney General and Minister of Legal Affairs*), Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw, LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C. (*Minister of Education, Technological and Vocational Training*), Hon. W. A. Abrahams, LL.B. (*Minister of Energy and Water Resources*), Hon. Ms. C. S. V. Husbands, B.A. (Hons.), M.Sc. (*Minister in the Ministry of Foreign Trade*) and Mr. G. P. I. Gooding-Edghill.

The absence of Mr. Speaker was announced and the Deputy Speaker took the Chair at 10.15 a.m. Prayers were taken by Rev. Father Mark Harewood.

**MINUTES**

The Minutes of the meeting of Tuesday, 8th October, 2019 were deferred on the motion of Lt. Col. the Hon. J. D. Bostic seconded by Hon. Miss C. Y. Forde.

**FIRST READINGS OF BILLS**

On the motion of Lt. Col. the Hon. J. D. Bostic seconded by Hon. C. McD. Griffith the Family Law (Dissolution of Marriages) (Validation and Indemnification) Bill, 2019 was read a first time.

On the motion of Lt. Col. the Hon. J. D. Bostic seconded by Hon. Miss C. Y. Forde the Family Law (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill, 2019 was read a first time.

**ORDERS OF THE DAY****SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS**

On the motion of Lt. Col. the Hon. J. D. Bostic 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. 8**

Hon. C. McD. Griffith spoke on the following Resolution:

RESOLVED that Parliament, in accordance with section 5 of the *Crown Lands (Vesting and Disposal) Act*, Cap. 225, approve the vesting in the National Housing Corporation of the parcel of land, the property of the Crown, situate at Indian Ground in the parish of Saint Peter in this Island and more particularly described in the *Schedule* hereto.

**SCHEDULE**

ALL THAT land the property of the Crown, situate at Indian Ground in the parish of Saint Peter in this Island, together with the building thereon containing by admeasurement 1,876 square metres or thereabouts Abutting and Bounding on a private road of Cleland Plantation on lands now or late of Stephen Steward on lands now or late of Catherine Gill on lands now or late of Anita Cumberbatch and on a public road which leads to Roebuck in one direction and Prospect in the other direction or however else the same may abut and bound together with the building thereon as shown and delineated on a Plan certified on the 20th day of March, 2000 by G. Devere Walcott, Land Surveyor and recorded in the Lands and Surveys Department on the 22nd day of March, 2000 as Plan No. 270/2000.

and moved seconded by Hon. C. E. Jordan that the Resolution be passed.

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

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

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

Hon. C. McD. Griffith spoke on a point of order.

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

Hon. C. McD. Griffith spoke on a point of elucidation.

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

Hon. C. E. Jordan began to speak.

Bishop J. J. S. Atherley spoke on a point of order.

Hon. C. E. Jordan concluded his speech.

Hon. Miss M. K-A. Caddle spoke.

**SUSPENSION**

On the motion of Lt. Col. the Hon. J. D. Bostic seconded by Hon. P. R. Phillips the Sitting was suspended until 2.30 p.m.

**RESUMPTION**

On resumption Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair.

**GOVERNMENT BUSINESS (recommitted)**

Lt. Col. the Hon. J. D. Bostic gave notice of the following:

Queen Elizabeth Hospital (Amendment) Bill, 2019.

**FIRST READINGS OF BILLS (recommitted)**

On the motion of Lt. Col. the Hon. J. D. Bostic the Queen Elizabeth Hospital (Amendment) Bill, 2019 was read a first time.

**GOVERNMENT BUSINESS (resumed)**

**ORDER NO. 8 (resumed)**

Hon. C. McD. Griffith spoke in reply.

The Resolution was passed.

**SUSPENSION**

On the motion of Lt. Col. the Hon. J. D. Bostic seconded by Hon. J. A. King the Sitting was suspended until 3.00 p.m.

At 2.45 p.m. Mr. Deputy Speaker suspended the Sitting.

**RESUMPTION**

On resumption Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair.

**GOVERNMENT BUSINESS (resumed)**

**ORDER NO. 12**

**QUEEN ELIZABETH HOSPITAL (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2019**

On the Order being called Lt. Col. the Hon. J. D. Bostic to move the second reading of the Bill entitled an Act to amend the Queen Elizabeth Hospital Act, Cap. 54,

the Hon. Member spoke and moved, seconded by Hon. Miss C. Y. Forde that the Bill be read a second time.

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

Lt. Col. the Hon. J. D. Bostic spoke on a point of order.

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

Dr. the Hon. W. F. Duguid spoke.

Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey spoke.

Dr. S. E. Browne spoke.

**SUSPENSION**

On the motion of Lt. Col. the Hon. J. D. Bostic the Sitting was suspended until 6.15 p.m.

At 6.00 p.m. Mr. Deputy Speaker suspended the Sitting.

**RESUMPTION**

On resumption Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair.

**ORDER NO. 12 (resumed)**

Hon. C. E. Jordan began to speak.

Mr. Deputy Speaker spoke.

Hon. C. E. Jordan concluded his speech.

Hon. A. R. Forde spoke.

Hon. Miss C. Y. Forde spoke.

Hon. Miss M. K-A. Caddle spoke.

Hon. Miss M. A. Mottley spoke.

Lt. Col. the Hon. J. D. Bostic spoke in reply.

The Bill was read a second time.

On the motion of Lt. Col. the Hon. J. D. Bostic seconded by Hon. P. R. Phillips the House went into Committee, Dr. S. E. Browne in the Chair.

Clause 1 was called and passed on the motion of Lt. Col. the Hon. J. D. Bostic seconded by Hon. P. R. Phillips.

Clause 2 was called and passed on the motion of Lt. Col. the Hon. J. D. Bostic seconded by Hon. J. A. King.

Clause 3 was called and passed on the motion of Lt. Col. the Hon. J. D. Bostic seconded by Hon. P. R. Phillips.

Clause 4 was called and passed on the motion of Lt. Col. the Hon. J. D. Bostic seconded by Hon. J. A. King.

Clause 5 was called and passed on the motion of Lt. Col. the Hon. J. D. Bostic seconded by Hon. P. R. Phillips.

Clause 6 was called and passed on the motion of Lt. Col. the Hon. J. D. Bostic seconded by Hon. J. A. King.

The Schedule was called and passed on the motion of Lt. Col. the Hon. J. D. Bostic seconded by Hon. P. R. Phillips.

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

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

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

On the motion of Lt. Col. the Hon. J. D. Bostic the House was adjourned to Tuesday, 22nd October, 2019 at 10.00 a.m.

At 8.55 p.m. Mr. Deputy Speaker adjourned the Sitting.

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

The Minutes were certified correct and confirmed the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2019.

Speaker.

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