

Routine Proceedings

ABORTION

Mr. Joe McGuire (Egmont, Lib.): Mr. Speaker, in the last petition the petitioners pray that Parliament act immediately to extend protection to the unborn child by amending the Criminal Code to extend the same protection enjoyed by born human beings to unborn human beings.

JUSTICE

Mr. Bill Gilmour (Comox—Alberni, Ref.): Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order 36, I am pleased to present the following petition which comes from all across Canada and contains 2,340 signatures. It is quite a fat document.

The undersigned request that in memory of Dawn Shaw, a 6-year old girl who was murdered in my riding of Comox—Alberni, this petition be brought to the attention of Parliament.

The petitioners request that Parliament enact legislation to change the justice system to provide greater protection for children from sexual assault and to assure conviction of offenders.

ASSISTED SUICIDE

Mr. John Williams (St. Albert, Ref.): Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order 36, I am honoured to present a petition on behalf of 51 Albertans, many of whom are my constituents.

These petitioners request that Parliament ensure that the present provisions of the Criminal Code of Canada prohibiting assisted suicide be enforced vigorously and that Parliament make no changes in the law that would sanction or allow the aiding or abetting of suicide or active or passive euthanasia.

Am I pleased not only to present this petition but to endorse it as well.

Mr. Tom Wappel (Scarborough West, Lib.): Mr. Speaker, I have three petitions today. The first petition contains 61 signatures from citizens and residents of the town of Frankfurt, Ontario.

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CRTC

Mr. Tom Wappel (Scarborough West, Lib.): Mr. Speaker, the second petition is from the same community concerning what is being shown on television.

The undersigned pray and call on Parliament to ensure that the CRTC recognizes that Canadians do not need to be shocked to be entertained. Foul language, excessive violence and explicit sex are not necessary to provide quality entertainment.

ABORTION

Mr. Tom Wappel (Scarborough West, Lib.): Mr. Speaker, the third petition is from Lanark and Perth, Ontario. The petitioners pray that Parliament act immediately to extend protection to the unborn child by amending the Criminal Code to extend the same protection enjoyed by born human beings to unborn human beings.

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QUESTIONS ON THE ORDER PAPER

Mr. Peter Milliken (Parliamentary Secretary to Leader of the Government in the House of Commons, Lib.): I would ask, Mr. Speaker, that all questions be allowed to stand.

The Deputy Speaker: Shall all questions stand?

Some hon. members: Agreed.

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MOTIONS FOR PAPERS

Mr. Peter Milliken (Parliamentary Secretary to Leader of the Government in the House of Commons, Lib.): Mr. Speaker, I would ask that the notice of motion for the production of papers be allowed to stand.

The Deputy Speaker: Shall the notice of motion for the production of papers be allowed to stand?

Some hon. members: Agreed.

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[Translation]

THE LATE HON. EUGÈNE MARQUIS

Mr. François Langlois (Bellechasse, BQ): Mr. Speaker, it is with sadness yet with serenity that we learned yesterday of the passing of the Hon. Eugène Marquis, who represented the riding of Kamouraska in this House at one time.

Mr. Marquis was born in St. Alexandre, Kamouraska, in 1901. He was the son of Joseph Marquis and Eveline Michaud. Upon completion of his classical studies, Eugène Marquis received his law degree from Laval University. Upon being admitted to the Bar, he was appointed substitute to the Attorney General of Quebec.

In 1931, Eugène Marquis married Véronique Chabot—who happens to be my aunt as she is my mother's sister—in Ste. Claire de Dorchester. Destined for politics, he ran in the 1945 general elections as a candidate for the Liberal Party of Canada, when the Right Hon. William Lyon Mackenzie King was Prime Minister of the country, and the voters of Kamouraska put their trust in him. They did so again in the next election, in 1949, when the Right Hon. Louis Saint-Laurent was Prime Minister of Canada.