

*Tribute to Member*

**Mr. David Lewis (York South):** Mr. Speaker, I rise only to join my colleagues and myself in the wishes expressed to the hon. member for Niagara Falls (Mr. Greene). I have already commented about the changes in the cabinet and I see no reason for repeating those comments. I want to tell the hon. member for Niagara Falls that all the things the Prime Minister (Mr. Trudeau) said about him were true, that we all enjoyed his part in the House of Commons, his speeches outside and his conscientious work as a minister in a very important portfolio. I regret with all my heart that his illness has made it impossible for him to continue his work. I look forward to listening to him in the House as an honourable and honoured member.

[Translation]

**Mr. André Fortin (Lotbinière):** Mr. Speaker, it is with feeling that my colleagues and I endorse the words spoken by the Prime Minister (Mr. Trudeau) and by other members of the opposition concerning the hon. member for Niagara Falls (Mr. Greene). We have always felt a great deal of esteem for him, and we want to testify today that he has always honoured the responsibilities that had been entrusted to him.

There is no doubt, Mr. Speaker, that the hon. member for Niagara Falls has made a precious contribution to the prestige of the House of Commons through the quality of his speeches and the perfection with which he has always accomplished his work.

I met him yesterday with a group of colleagues and, in the face of the misfortune that has befallen him, he simply said: "You know, my friends, anywhere in life patience is required." Such is the man who said those words.

On behalf of my colleagues, I would like to congratulate him on his work and to wish him better luck in the future with us in Parliament.

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[English]

**REGIONAL ECONOMIC EXPANSION****EVALUATION OF PROGRAMS BY COMMITTEE—REQUEST FOR UNANIMOUS CONSENT TO MOVE MOTION UNDER S.O. 43**

**Mr. James A. McGrath (St. John's East):** Mr. Speaker, I wish to ask the unanimous consent of the House to move a motion under Standing Order 43 which I consider to be of urgent and pressing importance. I do so in light of the recent unemployment figures released by Statistics Canada, which indicate that in provinces where Department of Regional Economic Expansion programs are most heavily concentrated unemployment is rising and there is a substantial decrease in the number of jobs. Therefore I move, seconded by the hon. member for Annapolis Valley (Mr. Nowlan):

That the Standing Committee on Regional Development be empowered to undertake an evaluation of DREE programs.

**Mr. Speaker:** The motion proposed by the hon. member requires the unanimous consent of the House. Is there unanimous consent?

**Some hon. Members:** Agreed.

**Some hon. Members:** No.

[Mr. Stanfield.]

**Mr. Speaker:** There is not unanimity. The motion cannot be put.

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**TRADE****CANADA-U.S. AUTO PACT—CANADIAN POSITION IN NEGOTIATIONS—REQUEST FOR UNANIMOUS CONSENT TO MOVE MOTION UNDER S.O. 43**

**Mr. Edward Broadbent (Oshawa-Whitby):** Mr. Speaker, I rise under the provisions of Standing Order 43 which provides that in cases of urgent and pressing necessity a motion may be moved if unanimous consent is given.

The matter of urgent and pressing necessity arises out of reliable reports, both American and Canadian in source, that the Canadian government changed its negotiation position on the Canada-U.S. automotive agreement between December, 1971, and January, 1972. Such shift in policy has led to confusion abroad and uncertainty at home as to what the Canadian government's position on the automotive industry is, particularly with regard to the production safeguards which currently exist in the Canada-U.S. automotive agreement. Therefore, under the provisions of Standing Order 43 I ask leave to move, seconded by the member for Brant (Mr. Blackburn):

That the Minister of Industry, Trade and Commerce be called upon to make a statement on motions at the next sitting of this House outlining the government's present policy proposals on the Canadian automotive industry.

**Mr. Speaker:** Is there unanimous consent?

**Some hon. Members:** Agreed.

**Some hon. Members:** No.

**Mr. Speaker:** The motion cannot be put.

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**ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE****RELEASE OF YVES GEOFFROY FROM ST. VINCENT DE PAUL PENITENTIARY—REQUEST FOR UNANIMOUS CONSENT TO MOVE MOTION UNDER S.O. 43**

**Mr. Eldon M. Woolliams (Calgary North):** Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order 43 I ask the unanimous consent of the House to propose a motion on a matter of urgent and pressing necessity.

The immediacy of the motion arises as a result of the wrongful release of Yves Geoffroy from the St. Vincent de Paul Penitentiary and his sudden disappearance after said release. The shocking facts are known to everyone. I therefore move, seconded by the hon. member for Peace River (Mr. Baldwin):

That the Governor in Council cause an inquiry to be made into the wrongful release of Yves Geoffroy from the St. Vincent de Paul Penitentiary and that a special commission be set up to inquire into the same in accordance with the Inquiries Act, empowered to summon witnesses and give evidence under oath and ask for the production of documents deemed requisite to a full investigation into what appears to be a corrupt practice within the administration of law in Canada.