

Governor General's Speech

of Canada you have performed a primary national obligation. In providing voluntarily for effective cooperation by Canada at the side of Britain and France in a war to resist aggression, you have made a momentous decision. The promptness with which you have acted affords unmistakable evidence of the ability of a free people, through its representatives in a free parliament, to meet the grave emergencies of war.

Members of the House of Commons:

I thank you for the appropriation you have made to meet the needs arising from the state of war.

*Honourable Members of the Senate:**Members of the House of Commons:*

The people of Canada will, I know, face the future with calm and resolute courage. The days of stress and strain, which lie ahead, cannot fail to prove a supreme test of national determination and endurance.

In bringing this special war session to its close, I pray that an all-wise Providence may guard and guide this land, united in an effort to do what lies within its power to help defend and preserve the liberties of mankind.

This concluded the fifth session of the eighteenth parliament.
