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this tax will increase the domestic heating costs of western Canadians by at least 16 per cent effective tomorrow, with the increase doubling to 33 per cent or more than \$150 per home by next winter; and finally, to admit to the government's shame that there will be no program of compensation to the thousands of low-income Canadians who will be faced with these sharply increased energy costs.

Madam Speaker: For presentation, this motion requires the unanimous consent of the House. Is there unanimous consent?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

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CANADA COUNCIL

CALL FOR INCREASED FUNDING FOR THE ARTS—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Nelson A. Riis (Kamloops-Shuswap): Madam Speaker, I rise under the provisions of Standing Order 43 on a matter of urgent and pressing necessity. The recently released report of the Canada Council emphasises that in constant dollar terms the resources available to the arts through the Canada Council in 1979-80 were about the same as they were in 1975. Because of inflation and increasing operating costs, even our best publishing houses, theatres, orchestras and other basic arts institutions are in danger. I therefore move, seconded by the hon. member for Beaches (Mr. Young):

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That during these times of culture building in Canada, this House instructs the Secretary of State to ensure that adequate funding is received by those individuals and organizations who have achieved stature in the arts community, and especially by new companies, younger artists and those working on the frontiers of arts and communications.

Madam Speaker: For presentation, this motion requires the unanimous consent of the House. Is there unanimous consent?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

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ENERGY

CONVERSION FROM OIL PROGRAM—EARLY AVAILABILITY OF APPLICATION FORMS—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Stan Darling (Parry Sound-Muskoka): Madam Speaker, I rise under the provision of Standing Order 43 on a matter of particular urgency for those Canadian home owners who anticipate converting from oil to gas or electricity. In light of the fact that the office of the Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources (Mr. Lalonde) has reported that the application forms for the new grant program will not be available until March or April 1981, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Prince Edward-Hastings (Mr. Ellis):

That the minister make every effort to guarantee that the application forms for the new program will be available within the near future in order that persons who wish to take advantage of the program can receive payment within a reasonable period of time.

Madam Speaker: For presentation, this motion requires the unanimous consent of the House. Is there unanimous consent?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

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ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS

WEATHER STATION "PAPA"—SUPPORT TO CAPTAINS AND CREWS ON SPECIAL ANNIVERSARY—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Jim Fulton (Skeena): Madam Speaker, I have taken the time to speak to a wide number of members of this House and I am sure that if they listen carefully they will support this motion.

Under the provisions of Standing Order 43 I rise on a matter of urgent and pressing necessity. The weather station Papa composed of the vessels *Vancouver* and *Quadra* lies 1,500 kilometres northwest of Vancouver Island. In view of the important scientific, oceanographic and meteorological work performed by these vessels on behalf of all Canadians, and also in view of the vital search and rescue role played by the Papa weather ships, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Mission-Port Moody (Mr. Rose):

That this House convey its unanimous support to the captains and crews on this special anniversary occasion.

Madam Speaker: For presentation, this motion requires the unanimous consent of the House. Is there unanimous consent?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Madam Speaker: It is moved by Mr. Fulton and seconded by Mr. Rose:

That this House convey its unanimous support to the captains and crews on this special anniversary occasion, the captains and crews being those of the weather station Papa.

Motion agreed to.

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NORTHERN PIPELINES

FEDERAL ASSISTANCE FOR NATURAL GAS LINE TO VANCOUVER ISLAND—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Donald W. Munro (Esquimalt-Saanich): Madam Speaker, in light of the equivocation on page 78 in the budget energy statement about the natural gas pipeline to Vancouver Island, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Prince George-Peace River (Mr. Oberle):

That this House requests the appropriate minister, whichever it may be, to make a statement on motions clarifying the extent to which federal assistance will be available to the province to build that pipeline, and to explain as well why