Petitions

Mr. Speaker: The Hon. Member for Winnipeg-Fort Garry.

Some Hon. Members: No.

Mr. Speaker: The Hon. Member for Winnipeg-Fort Garry has the floor with the unanimous consent of the House.

Mr. Murphy: I said no.

Mr. Keeper: I said no.

Mr. Speaker: The motion is carried.

An Hon. Member: There were nays.

Mr. Nystrom: Point of order.

Mr. Keeper: Point of order.

Mr. Speaker: The Hon. Member for Winnipeg-Fort Garry has the floor. Has the Hon. Member for Winnipeg-Fort Garry decided not to take the floor?

Mr. Keeper: Point of order.

Mr. Benjamin: Point of order.

Mr. Nystrom: Point of order.

Mr. Speaker: The Hon. Member for Yorkton-Melville on a point of order.

Mr. Nystrom: With respect, Mr. Speaker, when you asked whether or not there was consent for the motion regarding the Hon. Member for Winnipeg-Fort Garry there were some "yeas" and there were some "nos"—

An Hon. Member: Where?

Mr. Mazankowski: I didn't hear them.

Mr. Nystrom: On this side of the House, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker: The Hon. Member for Yorkton-Melville, I know, is trying to be helpful but the ruling was made.

Mr. Keeper: Point of order.

Mr. Speaker: The order has been made and the order was that the Hon. Member for Winnipeg-Fort Garry has the floor.

(1420)

Mr. Keeper: Mr. Speaker, I rise on a point of order. I believe I heard Your Honour say—

Mr. Benjamin: Remember the days when you guys were doing this with the big Liberal majority?

Mr. Keeper: Could we have some quiet here, please?

Some Hon. Members: Oh, oh!

Some Hon. Members: Hear, hear!

Mr. Keeper: Mr. Speaker, with regard to the seeking of unanimous consent in terms of having the Hon. Member for Winnipeg—Fort Garry (Mr. Axworthy) speak, I thought I heard Your Honour say that there was unanimous consent. I distinctly said: "no", when that request was made.

Mr. McDermid: Nobody heard you!

Mr. Speaker: The Hon. Member is rising no doubt for the purpose of assisting the Chair and Hon. Members. As the Hon. Member knows, the order was made. There is no provision in the rules whereby an Hon. Member can come back after and argue that what the Chair heard was not what the Chair heard when an order is made under those circumstances. So I ask that the Hon. Member accept the fact that the ruling was in fact made.

The Hon. Member for Winnipeg-Fort Garry (Mr. Axworthy).

Some Hon. Members: Hear, hear!

DESIGNATION OF THE SOUTH MORESBY REGION AS A NATIONAL MARINE PARK

Hon. Lloyd Axworthy (Winnipeg—Fort Garry): Mr. Speaker, with this show of bipartisan support for this important petition I would like to present it on behalf of the residents of South Moresby. They feel deeply about the actions of the Government in disturbing the natural ecological sites in their area. They petition the House to preserve the entire South Moresby region of British Columbia by designating it as a national marine park in order to allow this unique natural resource to be enjoyed by present and future generations of Canadians.

Some Hon. Members: Hear, hear!

Mr. Speaker: The Hon. Deputy Prime Minister.

Hon. Don Mazankowski (Deputy Prime Minister and President of the Privy Council): Mr. Speaker, I move, seconded by the Hon. Member for Simcoe North:

That the House now proceed to the next item of routine business.

Some Hon. Members: Hear, hear!

Mr. Speaker: The House has heard the terms of the said motion. Is it the pleasure of the House to adopt the motion?

Some Hon. Members: Agreed.

Some Hon. Members: No.

Mr. Speaker: All those in favour of the motion will please say yea.

Some Hon. Members: Yea.

Mr. Speaker: All those opposed to the motion will please say nay.