

ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS

Saturday, 26th June, 1948

Presentation of Petitions.
Reports of Committees.

Reading of Petitions.
Notices of Inquiries and Motions.

MOTION

By Honourable Senator Robertson:

24th June—That this House is of the opinion,—

(1) That the requirements of a National Capital involve, from time to time, developments of a character beyond the municipal improvements ordinarily required in other cities;

(2) That the development of a National Capital is at least in part a national responsibility, in view of the fact that Ottawa is designated by the British North America Act to be the Capital of Canada;

(3) That the carrying out of planned improvements requires a clear expression of intention to proceed with necessary developments in a manner which will ensure continuity;

(4) That it is desirable that all developments of the Capital should be in accordance with an approved plan which has regard to the position of the City of Ottawa as a National Capital in the present, and to its probable needs as the Capital of Canada in years to come.

(5) That a special account in the Consolidated Revenue Fund, to be known as the National Capital Fund, should be created to which appropriation may be made annually by Parliament over a period of years of the amounts required from time to time to meet the costs of such projects as may be recommended by the Federal District Commission and approved by the Governor in Council for the development of the National Capital and the surrounding area, in accordance with the plan;

(6) That it is desirable that the work necessary to this end be under the supervision of the Federal District Commission, distinct from its ordinary operations;

(7) That the expenditure of moneys for these purposes should be conditional on the effective co-operation of the City of Ottawa and other municipalities within the National Capital District.