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1 PROCLAMATION CONVENING THE PARLIAMENT

The Assembly met at 10.00 am pursuant to the Proclamation of His Excellency the Governor dated 1 March 2001 which was read by The Clerk—

**"ELIZABETH THE SECOND, by the Grace of God, Queen of Australia
and Her other Realms and Territories, Head of the Commonwealth.**

The Legislative Assembly of Queensland is summoned and called together at a session to commence at 10.00 am on 20 March 2001 at Parliament House, George Street, Brisbane.

[L.S.]

PETER ARNISON

Governor

Signed and sealed with the Public Seal of the State on 1 March 2001.

By Command

PETER BEATTIE

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M. A. SKOIEN
Clerk of the Executive Council"

2 COMMISSION TO OPEN PARLIAMENT

The Clerk informed the House that His Excellency the Governor caused the following Commission to be issued under the Public Seal of the State, appointing the Honourable Peter Douglas Beattie and the Honourable Terence Michael Mackenroth as Commissioners in Order to the Opening and Holding of this Session of Parliament—

**"ELIZABETH THE SECOND, by the Grace of God, Queen of Australia
and Her other Realms and Territories, Head of the Commonwealth.**

To the Honourable PETER DOUGLAS BEATTIE and the Honourable TERENCE MICHAEL MACKENROTH

I, MAJOR GENERAL PETER ARNISON, Governor, authorise you, or either of you:

- (a) in my name and on my behalf to open the session of the Legislative Assembly of Queensland to commence on 20 March 2001; and
- (b) to do in my name and on my behalf anything required to be done in the name of Her Majesty or of the Governor in relation to the opening and holding of the session.

[L.S.]

PETER ARNISON

Signed and sealed with the Public Seal of the State on 15 March 2001.

By Command

P BEATTIE

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S. J. WEBB
Clerk of the Executive Council"

3 COMMISSION TO ADMINISTER OATH OR AFFIRMATION

The Commissioners, Hon. P. D. Beattie and Hon. T. M. Mackenroth, having taken their seats upon the Dais, Mr Beattie said—

"Honourable Members—

I have it in command from His Excellency the Governor to let you know that as soon as the members of the Legislative Assembly have been sworn, the causes of this

Parliament being called together will be declared to you: And it being necessary that a Speaker be first chosen, it is His Excellency's pleasure that you proceed to the election of one of your number to be your Speaker, and that you present such person so chosen to His Excellency the Governor at such time and place as His Excellency shall appoint.

I produce a commission under the public seal of the state, authorising the Honourable Peter Douglas Beattie and the Honourable Terence Michael Mackenroth, or either one of them, to administer to any member of the Legislative Assembly of Queensland the oath or affirmation of allegiance to Her Majesty that is required by law to be taken or made and subscribed by every member before the member is permitted to sit or vote in the Legislative Assembly."

The Clerk then read the Commission as follows—

"To the Honourable PETER DOUGLAS BEATTIE and the Honourable TERENCE MICHAEL MACKENROTH.

I, MAJOR GENERAL PETER ARNISON, Governor, authorise you, or either of you, to administer to any member of the Legislative Assembly of Queensland the Oath or Affirmation of Allegiance to Her Majesty that is required by law to be taken or made and subscribed by every member before the member is permitted to sit or vote in the Legislative Assembly.

[L.S.]

PETER ARNISON

Signed and sealed with the Public Seal of the State on 15 March 2001.

By Command
P BEATTIE
God Save the Queen

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S. J. WEBB
Clerk of the Executive Council"

4 RETURN OF WRIT

The Clerk informed the House that the Writ for the various Electoral Districts had been returned to him severally endorsed as follows—

Albert—	Cairns—	Fitzroy—
Margaret Majella Keech	Desley Boyle	James Pearce
Algester—	Callide—	Gaven—
Karen Lee Struthers	Jeffrey William Seeney	Robert Lindsay Poole
Ashgrove—	Caloundra—	Gladstone—
Demetrios Fouras	Joan Mary Sheldon	Elizabeth Anne Cunningham
Aspley—	Capalaba—	Glass House—
Veronica Lesley Barry	Michael Wai-Man Choi	Carolyn Therese Male
Barron River—	Charters Towers—	Greenslopes—
Lesley Ann Clark	Christine Margaret Scott	Gary Bernard Fenlon
Beaudesert—	Chatsworth—	Gregory—
Kevin Rowson Lingard	Terence Michael Mackenroth	Vaughan Gregory Johnson
Brisbane Central—	Clayfield—	Gympie—
Peter Douglas Beattie	Elizabeth Anne Clark	Elisa Mary Roberts
Broadwater—	Cleveland—	Hervey Bay—
Peta-Kaye Croft	Darryl James Briskey	Andrew Ian McNamara
Bulimba—	Cook—	Hinchinbrook—
Patrick Douglas Purcell	Stephen Dominic Bredhauer	Marcus Hosking Rowell
Bundaberg—	Cunningham—	Inala—
Junita Irene Cunningham	Stuart William Copeland	Heinrich Palaszczuk
Bundamba—	Currumbin—	Indooroopilly—
Jo-Ann Roslyn Miller	Merri Rose	Ronan Oliver Lee
Burdekin—	Darling Downs—	Ipswich—
Steven Gordon Rodgers	Raymond Gordon Hopper	Rachael Genevieve Nolan
Burleigh—	Everton—	Ipswich West—
Christine Anne Smith	Rodney Jon Welford	Donald Wallace Livingstone
Burnett—	Ferry Grove—	Kallangur—
Trevor Leonard Strong	Geoffrey James Wilson	Kenneth William Hayward

Kawana— Christopher Paul Cummins	Mudgeeraba— Dianna Ann Reilly	Southport— Peter Joseph Lawlor
Keppel— Vincent Patrick Lester	Mulgrave— Frederick Warren Pitt	Springwood— Barbara Gwendoline Stone
Kurwongbah— Linda Denise Lavarch	Mundingburra— Lindel Helena Nelson—Carr	Stafford— Terry Sullivan
Lockyer— William Bond Ingpen Flynn	Murrumba— Dean MacMillan Wells	Stretton— Stephen Robertson
Logan— Reginald John Mickel	Nanango— Dorothy Ruth Pratt	Surfers Paradise— Robert Edward Borbidge
Lytton— Paul Thomas Lucas	Nicklin— Peter William Wellington	Tablelands— Rosa Theresa Lee Long
Mackay— Timothy Sean Mulherin	Noosa— Cathryn Molloy	Thuringowa— Anita Phillips
Mansfield— Philip Gerard Reeves	Nudgee— Neil Stuart Roberts	Toowoomba North— Kerry Gerard Shine
Maroochydore— Fiona Stuart Simpson	Pumicestone— Carryn Elizabeth Sullivan	Toowoomba South— Michael James Horan
Maryborough— John Alan Kingston	Redcliffe— Raymond Keith Hollis	Townsville— Michael Francis Reynolds
Mirani— George Edward Malone	Redlands— John Michael English	Warrego— Howard William Thomas Hobbs
Moggill— David John Hopetoun Watson	Robina— Robert Joseph Quinn	Waterford— Thomas Alfred Barton
Mount Coot-tha— Wendy Marjorie Edmond	Rockhampton— Robert Evan Schwarten	Whitsunday— Janice Heather Jarratt
Mount Gravatt— Judith Caroline Spence	Sandgate— Gordon Richard Nuttall	Woodridge— Desley Carleton Scott
Mount Isa— Anthony McGrady	South Brisbane— Anna Maria Bligh	Yeerongpilly— Matthew Joseph Foley
Mount Ommaney— Julie Maree Attwood	Southern Downs— Lawrence James Springborg	

5 MEMBERS SWORN

The Commissioners administered the oath or affirmation of allegiance to the following Members—

ATTWOOD, Julie Maree	KEECH, Margaret Majella	PURCELL, Patrick Douglas
BARRY, Veronica Lesley	KINGSTON, John Alan	QUINN, Robert Joseph
BOYLE, Desley	LAVARCH, Linda Denise	REEVES, Philip Gerard
BRISKEY, Darryl James	LAWLOR, Peter Joseph	REILLY, Dianna Ann
CHOI, Michael Wai-Man	LEE, Ronan Oliver	ROBERTS, Elisa Mary
CLARK, Elizabeth Anne	LEE LONG, Rosa Theresa	ROBERTS, Neil Stuart
CLARK, Lesley Ann	LESTER, Vincent Patrick	RODGERS, Steven Gordon
COPELAND, Stuart William	LINGARD, Kevin Rowson	ROWELL, Marcus Hosking
CROFT, Peta-Kaye	LIVINGSTONE, Donald Wallace	SCOTT, Christine Margaret
CUMMINS, Christopher Paul	MALE, Carolyn Therese	SCOTT, Desley Carleton
CUNNINGHAM, Elizabeth Anne	MALONE, George Edward	SEENEY, Jeffrey William
CUNNINGHAM, Junita Irene	MCNAMARA, Andrew Ian	SHINE, Kerry Gerard
ENGLISH, John Michael	MICKEL, Reginald John	SIMPSON, Fiona Stuart
FENLON, Gary Bernard	MILLER, Jo-Ann Roslyn	SMITH, Christine Anne
FLYNN, William Bond Ingpen	MOLLOY, Cathryn	SPRINGBORG, Lawrence James
FOURAS, Demetrios	MULHERIN, Timothy Sean	STONE, Barbara Gwendoline
HAYWARD, Kenneth William	NELSON—CARR, Lindel Helena	STRONG, Trevor Leonard
HOBBS, Howard William Thomas	NOLAN, Rachael Genevieve	STRUTHERS, Karen Lee
HOLLIS, Raymond Keith	PEARCE, James	SULLIVAN, Carryn Elizabeth
HOPPER, Raymond Gordon	PHILLIPS, Anita	SULLIVAN, Terry
HORAN, Michael James	PITT, Frederick Warren	WATSON, David John Hopetoun
JARRATT, Janice Heather	POOLE, Robert Lindsay	WELLINGTON, Peter William
JOHNSON, Vaughan Gregory	PRATT, Dorothy Ruth	WILSON, Geoffrey James

And each Member, having been sworn, subscribed the Roll of Members.

(Note: On Monday, 19 March 2001, the Honourable Peter Douglas Beattie, the Honourable Terence Michael Mackenroth, the Honourable Anna Maria Bligh, the Honourable Matthew Joseph Foley, the Honourable Wendy Marjorie Edmond, the Honourable Thomas Alfred Barton, the Honourable Anthony McGrady, the Honourable Stephen Dominic Bredhauer, the Honourable Rodney Jon Welford, the Honourable Dean MacMillan Wells, the Honourable Robert Evan Schwarten, the Honourable Judith Caroline Spence, the Honourable Heinrich Palaszczuk, the Honourable Merri Rose, the Honourable Stephen Robertson, the Honourable Junita Irene Cunningham, the Honourable Michael Francis Reynolds, the Honourable Gordon Richard Nuttall and Paul Thomas Lucas were sworn in before the Governor and all subscribed the Roll of Members.)

6 PRESIDING MEMBER

The Clerk called upon the Member present in the House not being a Minister of the Crown and who has served for the longest period continually in the House to take the Chair as Presiding Member for the purpose of the election of Speaker.

Honourable V. P. Lester took the Chair and drew the attention of the House to the standing orders governing the election of Speaker.

7 ELECTION OF SPEAKER

Premier and Minister for Trade (Mr Beattie), addressing himself to the Presiding Member (Mr Lester), moved – That Raymond Keith Hollis do take the Chair of the House as Speaker.

Motion seconded by the Deputy Premier, Treasurer and Minister for Sport (Mr Mackenroth).

Leader of the Opposition (Mr Horan) moved – That Elizabeth Anne Cunningham do take the Chair of the House as Speaker.

Motion seconded by the Deputy Leader of the Opposition (Mr Johnson).

Mr Hollis and Mrs E Cunningham accepted the nominations.

Debate ensued. (*Hansard page 3*)

Ballot taken—

There being more than one nomination for Speaker, a ballot was taken and the following result was declared by The Clerk—

For Mrs E Cunningham	21
For Mr Hollis	66

Mr Hollis was thereupon declared elected as Speaker, and Messrs Beattie and Mackenroth conducted him to the Chair.

Mr Hollis returned his acknowledgements to the House for the honour it had been pleased to confer upon him by choosing him to be its Speaker, and thereupon sat down in the Chair.

Mr Beattie and Mr Horan congratulated Mr Speaker, who expressed his thanks.

8 PRESENTATION OF SPEAKER

Premier and Minister for Trade (Mr Beattie) informed the House that it would be His Excellency the Governor's pleasure to receive the Speaker at Government House today at 2.30pm.

Cars will leave the Porte Cochure at 2.05 pm sharp.

9 TIME CAPSULE

Premier and Minister for Trade (Mr Beattie) reminded Members that the ceremony for the burial of the time capsule will be held at 1pm.

10 SPECIAL ADJOURNMENT

Premier and Minister for Trade (Mr Beattie) moved – That this House, at its rising do adjourn until ten minutes after 2 o'clock pm tomorrow in the late Legislative Council Chamber.

Question put and passed.

11 ADJOURNMENT

Premier and Minister for Trade (Mr Beattie) moved – That this House do now adjourn.

Question put and agreed to.

The House adjourned at 11.54 am.

12 ATTENDANCE

The following Members were present—

<i>Attwood</i>	<i>Cunningham, J</i>	<i>Lavarch</i>	<i>Molloy</i>	<i>Reynolds</i>	<i>Springborg</i>
<i>Barry</i>	<i>Edmond</i>	<i>Lawlor</i>	<i>Mulherin</i>	<i>Roberts, E</i>	<i>Stone</i>
<i>Barton</i>	<i>English</i>	<i>Lee</i>	<i>Nelson–Carr</i>	<i>Roberts, N</i>	<i>Strong</i>
<i>Beattie</i>	<i>Fenlon</i>	<i>Lee Long</i>	<i>Nolan</i>	<i>Robertson</i>	<i>Struthers</i>
<i>Bligh</i>	<i>Flynn</i>	<i>Lester</i>	<i>Nuttall</i>	<i>Rodgers</i>	<i>Sullivan, C</i>
<i>Boyle</i>	<i>Foley</i>	<i>Lingard</i>	<i>Palaszczuk</i>	<i>Rose</i>	<i>Sullivan, T</i>
<i>Bredhauer</i>	<i>Fouras</i>	<i>Livingstone</i>	<i>Pearce</i>	<i>Rowell</i>	<i>Watson</i>
<i>Briskey</i>	<i>Hayward</i>	<i>Lucas</i>	<i>Phillips</i>	<i>Schwarten</i>	<i>Welford</i>
<i>Choi</i>	<i>Hobbs</i>	<i>Mackenroth</i>	<i>Pitt</i>	<i>Scott, C</i>	<i>Wellington</i>
<i>Clark, E</i>	<i>Hopper</i>	<i>Male</i>	<i>Poole</i>	<i>Scott, D</i>	<i>Wells</i>
<i>Clark, L</i>	<i>Horan</i>	<i>Malone</i>	<i>Pratt</i>	<i>Seeney</i>	<i>Wilson</i>
<i>Copeland</i>	<i>Jarratt</i>	<i>McGrady</i>	<i>Purcell</i>	<i>Shine</i>	
<i>Croft</i>	<i>Johnson</i>	<i>McNamara</i>	<i>Quinn</i>	<i>Simpson</i>	
<i>Cummins</i>	<i>Keech</i>	<i>Mickel</i>	<i>Reeves</i>	<i>Smith</i>	
<i>Cunningham, E</i>	<i>Kingston</i>	<i>Miller</i>	<i>Reilly</i>	<i>Spence</i>	

R K HOLLIS
SPEAKER

R D DOYLE
THE CLERK OF THE PARLIAMENT