

**REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS OF
HOUSE OF KEYS**

**Douglas, Tuesday, 14th July 1998
at 10.00 a.m.**

Present:

The Speaker (the Hon N Q Cringle) (Rushen); Mr L I Singer and Hon A R Bell (Ramsey); Hon R E Quine OBE (Ayre); Mr J D Q Cannan (Michael); Hon H Hannan (Peel); Mr W A Gilbey (Glenfaba); Mr S C Rodan (Garff); Hon D North (Middle); Mr P Karran, Hon R K Corkill and Mr G T Cannell (Onchan); Messrs J R Houghton and R W Henderson (Douglas North); Hon D C Cretney and Mr A C Duggan (Douglas South); Mr R P Braidwood and Mrs B J Cannell (Douglas East); Messrs J P Shimmin and A F Downie (Douglas West); Hon J A Brown (Castletown); Hon D J Gelling (Malew and Santon); Sir Miles Walker CBE LLD (hc), and Mrs P M Crowe (Rushen); with Prof T StJ N Bates, Secretary of the House.

Introduction Of The New Member For Douglas North, Mr R W Henderson

The Speaker: Hon. members, we are having a short sitting prior to having our sitting in Tynwald at 10.30 for a very pleasant purpose. Will the hon. member for Douglas North, Mr Houghton, and the hon. member for Douglas East, Mrs Cannell, as the sponsors for the new member for Douglas North, Mr Robert William Henderson, escort him to the chair?

Mr Houghton: Mr Speaker, I have the honour to present to you Mr Robert William Henderson, the new member for Douglas North.

The Speaker: Thank you, hon. member. Mr Henderson, on behalf on all the members I extend to you a welcome to this House.

I had the pleasure to greet you last week when you came to be sworn in following your election, and acknowledge the pride felt by your family in your achievement. Since then, of course, you have been thrown in at the deep end of parliamentary occasions with your attendance at Tynwald's annual sitting at St. John's, something which I am sure you enjoyed.

Today you start your political career in earnest, and I am sure that the caring nature that you showed both in employment and as a representative of colleagues will stand you in good stead both here in this chamber and in your constituency. We all wish you well for the future.

Mr Henderson: Thank you, Mr Speaker.

The Speaker: May I have your certificate of election, sir? Thank you, the certificate is in order. I have pleasure in presenting you with a copy of the Standing Orders of the House and ask you to sign the Record of Standing Orders on the Secretary's desk.

Mr Henderson signed the Record of Standing Orders.

The Speaker: Will the sponsor members now escort the hon. member for Douglas North, Mr Henderson, to his seat, please?

Mr Henderson took his seat in the House.

The Speaker: I am sure hon. members will agree that it is right Mr Henderson was introduced into this chamber today, as there will be no other opportunity until the House reconvenes in October. (**Members:** Hear, hear.)

Hon. members, the House will now adjourn to Tynwald at 10.30.

The House adjourned at 10.06 a.m.