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(HANSARD)**

**Douglas, Tuesday, 21st June 2005**

**Present:**

The Speaker (The Hon. J A Brown) (Castletown); Hon. D M Anderson (Glenfaba);  
 Hon A R Bell and Mrs A V Craine (Ramsey); Mr W E Teare (Ayre); Mr J D Q Cannan (Michael); Mrs H Hannan (Peel);  
 Hon. S C Rodan (Garff); Mr P Karran, Mr R K Corkill and Mr A J Earnshaw (Onchan); Mr G M Quayle (Middle);  
 Mr J R Houghton and Hon. R W Henderson (Douglas North); Hon. D C Cretney and Mr A C Duggan (Douglas South);  
 Hon. R P Braidwood and Mrs B J Cannell (Douglas East); Hon. J P Shimmin (Douglas West);  
 Capt. A C Douglas (Malew and Santon); Hon. J Rimington, Mr Q B Gill and Mr P A Gawne (Rushen);  
 with Mr M Cornwell-Kelly, Secretary of the House.

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*The House adjourned at 9.38 a.m.*

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## House of Keys

*The House met at 9.30 a.m.*

[MR SPEAKER *in the Chair*]

## Order of the Day

### Swearing in of the New Member for Douglas West, Mr Dominic Francis Kevin Delaney

**The Speaker:** Good Morning, Hon. Members.

**Members:** Good Morning, Mr Speaker.

**The Speaker:** Please be seated. Hon. Members. The business before the House on the Order Paper this morning is the swearing in of the new Member of the House of Keys for Douglas West.

I call on the Secretary to the House to bring forward His Honour the First Deemster, accompanied by the Chief Registrar.

*The Secretary conducted the First Deemster and the Chief Registrar into the Chamber.*

**A Messenger:** Members of the public, please be upstanding for His Honour the First Deemster.

**The Speaker:** I now call upon the Secretary of the House to accompany the sponsors, the Hon. Member for Douglas East, Mrs Cannell, and the Hon. Member for Malew and Santon, Capt. Douglas, to bring forward the new Member of the House of Keys for Douglas West.

**The Secretary:** Hon. Member for Douglas West, would you accompany us into the House.

*Mr Delaney was conducted to the Chief Registrar's desk.*

**The First Deemster (His Honour M Kerruish):** Good morning, Mr Delaney.

**Mr Delaney:** Good morning.

**The First Deemster:** Two oaths: the first is the Oath of Allegiance and the second is the oath administered to elected Members of the House of Keys.

As the Oath of Allegiance, I will say the words, and if you will repeat them after me. Then, for the second oath, I actually administer it to you.

So, if you could repeat after me, and take the Testament, in whichever hand you want:

I, Dominic Francis Kevin Delaney, do swear by Almighty God that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II, Her heirs and successors. So help me, God.

*Mr Delaney took the first oath, phrase by phrase, as administered to him.*

**The First Deemster:** If you retain the Testament, please, and I will administer the oath to you. Now, this is the oath of elected Members of the House of Keys:

Her Majesty's counsel, your fellows' and your own you shall not reveal. You shall use your best endeavours to maintain the ancient laws and customs of this Isle. You shall justly and truly deliver your opinion and do right in all matters which shall be put unto you, without favour or affection, affinity or consanguinity, love or fear, reward or gain, or for any hope thereof, but in all things you shall deal uprightly and justly and do wrong to no man. So help you, God, and by the contents of this Book.

**Mr Delaney:** So help me, God.

**The First Deemster:** Now, the *Liber Juramentorum*, having had the oaths administered, reads:

'At Douglas, 21st June 2005: On this day the Oath of Allegiance and the foregoing oath were administered to and taken by Dominic Francis Kevin Delaney, a Member of the House of Keys, he having been elected on 16th June 2005 under the writ issued by His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor on 5th May 2005.'

Mr Delaney, could I ask you to sign the *Liber Juramentorum*.

**Mr Delaney:** Thank you, Deemster.

**The First Deemster:** Now, if you just sign there and it is your usual signature. Anywhere there, please.

*Mr Delaney signed the Liber Juramentorum.*

**The First Deemster:** Thank you very much. I will just witness, if I may. Thank you, Mr Delaney.

Mr Speaker, Hon. Members, I am delighted to inform you, Mr Speaker, that Dominic Francis Kevin Delaney has taken the Oath of Allegiance and had administered to him the oath of an elected Member of the House of Keys and he has also signed the *Liber Juramentorum*.

Thank you, Mr Delaney.

**The Speaker:** Thank you, Deemster.

**Mrs Cannell:** Mr Speaker, I have the honour and the greatest pleasure in presenting Mr D F K Delaney, the new Member for Douglas West, sir.

**The Speaker:** Thank you, Hon. Member.

Hon. Member, Mr Delaney, may I welcome you on your return to the House of Keys and congratulate you on your election to the House. I am confident that you will carry out your duties and responsibilities to the House and to your constituents to a high standard, with integrity and with a forthright and strong manner, open and honest.

As you know, the people of the constituency of Douglas West have placed considerable trust in you to represent theirs and the Island's best interests and to serve our Island fairly and honourably. I am confident that that trust is well placed.

As you are aware, one of your most fundamental tasks will be to legislate for the people of this Island and the importance of this role cannot be, and should not be, underestimated. I am sure that your experience and knowledge, especially as a previous Member of Tynwald and of this House, including your understanding of people and of life in general, will be of considerable benefit to you, your constituents and to the Island. I know that you will take all matters that come before you in your stride and that you will, as always, do what you believe to be right, and in our Island's best interests, and no-one can ask for more.

Hon. Member, I wish you well in your future as an Hon. Member of this House, the House of Keys.

Mr Delaney, on behalf of all Hon. Members of the House, I have great pleasure in welcoming you back to this ancient institution, the House of Keys. Welcome, Hon. Member.

Hon. Member, may I have your certificate of election, please.

*Mr Delaney handed his certificate of election to the Speaker.*

**Mr Delaney:** Thank you, Mr Speaker.

**The Speaker:** Thank you, Hon. Member.

The certificate is in order and I have pleasure in presenting you with a copy of the Standing Orders of the House of Keys and would ask that you sign the record of Standing Orders at the Secretary's desk. Thank you.

*Mr Delaney signed the record of Standing Orders.*

**Mr Delaney:** Thank you, learned Clerk.

**The Speaker:** I now call on the sponsors to escort the new Hon. Member for Douglas West to his seat within the House. Thank you.

*Mr Delaney was conducted to his seat.*

**The Speaker:** Now, Hon. Members, I thank His Honour, the First Deemster for his attendance this morning and also that of the Chief Registrar. Thank you very much, your Honour.

I now call on the Secretary of the House to escort His Honour and the Chief Registrar from the House.

**The First Deemster:** Thank you, Mr Speaker.

**The Speaker:** Thank you, your Honour.

**The Chief Registrar:** Thank you, Mr Speaker.

*The Secretary conducted the First Deemster and the Chief Registrar from the House.*

**The Speaker:** Hon. Members, that concludes the business before the House this morning. The House will now stand adjourned until 10.30 a.m. later this morning, in Tynwald Court.

Thank you, Hon. Members.

*The House adjourned at 9.38 a.m.*