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#### **Errors and Omissions**

- **26 November 1999:** On page 300 during the Question Period topic "Earth Fund lottery" the Leader of the Opposition is listed as speaking twice; Pat Mella should have been listed as speaking in the first instance.
- **2 December 1999:** In the bound edition of Hansard, from page 465 through to midway through the first column of page 477, the font is increased in size from its normal proportions. This error is also repeated in the online version of Hansard, though as a result of the discrepancy in pagination between the bound and online versions of Hansard, the increase
  - in font size online starts on page 466 and ends on page 478.
- **8 December 1999:** On page 630 during the Question Period topic "Emergency home repair program," Richard Brown is incorrectly listed as speaking to the question. It should have been Robert Morrissey.

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Cascumpec-Grand River (Milligan, Keith W.)

Charlottetown-Kings Square (Brown, Richard)

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Charlottetown-Spring Park (MacAleer, J.Weston [Wes])

Crapaud-Hazel Grove (MacPhee, Norman D.)

Evangeline-Miscouche (Maddix, Robert J.)

Georgetown-Baldwin's Road (Currie, Michael [Mike] F.)

Glen Stewart-Bellevue Cove (Mella, Patricia [Pat] J.)

Kensington-Malpeque (Murphy, P. Mitchell [Mitch])

Montague-Kilmuir (Bagnall, James [Jim] D.)

Morell-Fortune Bay (MacAdam, Kevin J.)

Murray River-Gaspereaux (Binns, Patrick [Pat] G.)

North River-Rice Point (MacKinley, Ronald [Ron])

Park Corner-Oyster Bed (MacKenzie, Elizabeth [Beth] L.A.)

Parkdale-Belvedere (Gillan, J. Chester)

St. Eleanors-Summerside (vacant)

Sherwood-Hillsborough (MacFadyen, Elmer E.)

Souris-Elmira (Mooney, Andrew [Andy])

Stanhope-East Royalty (Ballem, James [Jamie] W.)

Tignish-DeBlois (Morrissey, Robert J.)

Tracadie-Fort Augustus (Dover, Mildred A.)

West Point-Bloomfield (Dickieson, Dr. Herbert [Herb])

Wilmot-Summerside (Deighan, Gregory [Greg] J.)

Winsloe-West Royalty (MacKinnon, Donald [Don] G.)

## Members, Ministers and Leader of the Opposition

Bagnall, James [Jim] D. (Montague-Kilmuir)

Ballem, James [Jamie] W. (Stanhope-East Royalty)

Binns, Patrick [Pat] G. (Murray River-Gaspereaux)

Brown, Richard (Charlottetown-Kings Square)

Connolly, Paul, J. (Charlottetown-Rochford Square)

Currie, Michael [Mike] F. (Georgetown-Baldwin's Road)

Deighan, Gregory [Greg] J. (Wilmot-Summerside)

Dickieson, Dr. Herbert [Herb] (West Point-Bloomfield)

Dover, Mildred A. (Tracadie-Fort Augustus)

Gillan, J. Chester (Parkdale-Belvedere)

Hammill, J. Eric (Borden-Kinkora)

MacAdam, Kevin J. (Morell-Fortune Bay)

MacAleer, J.Weston [Wes] (Charlottetown-Spring Park)

MacDonald, Wilbur B. (Belfast-Pownal Bay)

MacFadyen, Elmer E. (Sherwood-Hillsborough)

MacKenzie, Elizabeth [Beth] L.A. (Park Corner-Oyster Bed)

MacKinley, Ronald [Ron] (North River-Rice Point)

MacKinnon, Donald [Don] G. (Winsloe-West Royalty)

MacLeod, Hector L. (Alberton-Miminegash)

MacPhee, Norman D. (Crapaud-Hazel Grove)

Maddix, Robert J. (Evangeline-Miscouche)

Mella, Patricia [Pat] J. (Glen Stewart-Bellevue Cove)

Milligan, Keith W. (Cascumpec-Grand River)

Mooney, Andrew [Andy] (Souris-Elmira)

Morrissey, Robert J. (Tignish-DeBlois)

Murphy, P. Mitchell [Mitch] (Kensington-Malpeque)

(vacant) (St. Eleanors-Summerside)

Premier

Leader of the Opposition

Transportation and Public Works

Deputy Speaker

Leader of the Third Party

Health and Social Services

Education

Agriculture and Forestry

Fisheries and Tourism

**Community Services** 

and Attorney General

Speaker

Government House Leader

Development

Provincial Treasurer

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