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Motion 10 — Be it resolved that this House call upon the BC government to establish a public inquiry into the sale of BC Rail, 26.

Motion 13 — Be it resolved that this House support the Foundation Skills Assessment as it provides valuable information on how well BC students are learning skills necessary to succeed in life, 85, 112.

Motion 36 — Be it resolved that this House supports the comprehensive, wide-ranging \$3 billion Gateway Transportation Program to open up British Columbia’s transportation network which will reduce congestion, meet the needs of our growing economy, increase Asia-Pacific trade, and a growing population, 14, 65, 85.

Motion 49 — Be it resolved that this House recognize the importance of the anniversary of the creation of the Khalsa, celebrated every year as the festival of Vaisakhi; and the contributions Canadian Sikhs have made to our country and our province; and that this House also recognize the importance of the Panj Kakkar: the **Kirpan** — a ceremonial sword representing indomitable spirit; the **Kes** — unshorn hair, representing a simple life, saintliness and devotion to God; the **Kara** — a steel bangle worn as a sign of eternity of God; the **Kanga** — a wooden comb worn to represent a clean mind and body; and the **Kacha** — short breeches, representing hygienic living, 38.

Motion 57 — Be it resolved that this House encourages the government to end the practice of mandatory retirement, 47.

Motion 59 — Be it resolved that this House recognize the genocide of the Armenians as a crime against humanity. Be it further resolved that this House urge the BC government to designate April 24th of every year hereafter throughout BC as a day of remembrance for the 1.5 million Armenians who fell victim to the first genocide of the 20th Century, 56.

Motion 60 — Be it resolved that this House urge the government to ensure that, when a landlord of a manufactured home-park gives notice to end a tenancy agreement in order to convert all or a significant part of a manufactured home-park to another use, manufactured homeowners receive adequate compensation from the landlord and the landlord is required to put in place a relocation agreement that is satisfactory to the manufactured homeowners, 76.

Motion 62 — Be it resolved that this House requests TransLink to name the RAV Canada Line station at 49th and Cambie Street the “Punjabi Market — Langara Station” to reflect the ethnic diversity of the neighbourhood, 77.

Motion 64 — Be it resolved that this House act on the advice of the Chief Electoral Officer and address public concerns regarding the financing of political parties and third-party election campaign spending by referring the issue to the Select Standing Committee on Parliamentary Reform, Ethical Conduct, Standing Orders and Private Bills, 93.

Motion 72 — That the Report of the Special Committee to Appoint a Representative for Children and Youth for the Second Session of the Thirty-eighth Parliament be adopted, 113.

Motion 73 — That the Legislative Assembly appoint Mary Ellen Turpel-Lafond as the Representative for Children and Youth for the province of British Columbia for a term of five years pursuant to section 2 of the *Representative for Children and Youth Act* (SBC 2006, Chapter 29 – Bill 34), 113.

LEAVE GRANTED:

That the House do now adjourn to discuss a matter of urgent public importance, namely, the failure of the federal government to honour its commitment to the Transformative Change Accord, known as the Kelowna Accord, abandoning the tri-partite agreement and action plan to improve the socio-economic conditions of Canada’s Aboriginal peoples and, as a result, putting the honour of the Crown into disrepute, 83-84.

LEAVE NOT GRANTED:

To move a motion, 109, 110, 111.

MOTIONS — Continued**RULED OUT OF ORDER:**

- Urgency motion *re* the loss of sovereignty under the accelerated negotiation and ratification of the softwood lumber framework agreement, 94, 96 (2).
- Urgency motion *re* the shelter rate for income assistance recipients, 108 (109).
- Urgency motion *re* need to ensure all British Columbians have access to safe drinking water, 111 (2).
- That the House do now adjourn to discuss a definite matter of urgent public importance, namely, the United Nations declaration on the right of indigenous peoples, 113, 114.

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 - No. (Pr 401) — *Patricia Community Club (Corporate Restoration) Act, 2006*, 39.
 - No. (Pr 402) — *Christ for the Nations Bible College Act*, 48.

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A difference of opinion as to the interpretation of an Act may be the essence of debate but cannot qualify as a breach of privilege, 110 (108).

STANDING ORDER 35 (URGENT PUBLIC IMPORTANCE):

Although the question may be important, it is clearly a question of very wide scope. I do not think it was contemplated that a question of very wide scope, which would demand legislation to deal with it in any effective manner, should be the subject of discussion on an application under S.O. 35, 111 (2).

The fact that new information has been received regarding a matter that has been continuing for some time does not, in itself, make the matter one of urgency; other parliamentary opportunities for debate on this matter are available, 96 (2).

The on-going nature of the matter raised by the Honourable Member has the effect of excluding the matter from the scope of Standing Order 35; the emergence of new information, namely, the release this week of a survey on homelessness and street disorder does not, in itself, make the matter one of urgency, 109 (108).

It is clearly not a matter involving the administrative responsibilities of any Ministry of the Province of British Columbia, but rather falls within the jurisdiction of the Government of Canada, 114 (113).

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