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## STANDING COMMITTEE ON SOCIAL POLICY

## COMITÉ PERMANENT DE LA POLITIQUE SOCIALE

Monday 22 August 2022

Lundi 22 août 2022

*The committee met at 0900 in room 151.*

### ELECTION OF CHAIR

**The Clerk of the Committee (Ms. Vanessa Kattar):** Good morning, honourable members. My name is Vanessa. I serve as Clerk for the Standing Committee on Social Policy.

It is my honourable duty to call upon you now to elect a Chair. Do we have any nominations? MPP Wai.

**Mrs. Daisy Wai:** I nominate Ms. Ghamari to be the Chair of this committee.

**The Clerk of the Committee (Ms. Vanessa Kattar):** MPP Ghamari, do you accept this nomination?

**Ms. Goldie Ghamari:** I do, yes. Thank you.

**The Clerk of the Committee (Ms. Vanessa Kattar):** Do we have any further nominations? There being no further nominations, I declare the nominations closed and MPP Ghamari elected as Chair of the committee.

I invite the member to take her seat.

**The Chair (Ms. Goldie Ghamari):** Good morning, everyone. Thank you to the members for electing me as Chair of this committee.

### ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIR

**The Chair (Ms. Goldie Ghamari):** We will now move on to our next item of business, the appointment of a Vice-Chair.

Before asking for any motions, I would like to remind the honourable members that standing order 119(d) notes, “When there are two recognized parties, where the Chair of a standing committee is a member of the party forming the government, the Vice-Chair shall be a member of a recognized party in opposition to the government or an independent member.”

It is now my duty to entertain a motion for Vice-Chair. Are there any motions? MPP Stiles.

**Ms. Marit Stiles:** I move that Madame Gélinas be appointed Vice-Chair of the committee.

**The Chair (Ms. Goldie Ghamari):** Is there any debate? Seeing none, are members prepared to vote? Shall the motion carry? Carried. Congratulations.

### APPOINTMENT OF SUBCOMMITTEE

**The Chair (Ms. Goldie Ghamari):** Moving on to our next item of business, it is now my duty to entertain a motion for the appointment of the subcommittee on committee business. Are there any motions? MPP Wai.

**Mrs. Daisy Wai:** I move that a subcommittee on committee business be appointed to meet from time to time at the call of the Chair, or at the request of any member thereof, to consider and report to the committee on the business of the committee;

That the presence of all members of the subcommittee is necessary to constitute a meeting; and

That the subcommittee be composed of the following members: the Chair as Chair, Mrs. Martin and—anybody else from the opposition side?

**The Chair (Ms. Goldie Ghamari):** MPP Stiles.

**Ms. Marit Stiles:** I'd like to move that Madame Gélinas be appointed as official opposition member of the subcommittee.

**Mrs. Daisy Wai:** Thank you—and that substitution be permitted on the subcommittee.

**The Chair (Ms. Goldie Ghamari):** MPP Wai, can you please just repeat the portion of the paragraph discussing “subcommittee be composed of”? If you can provide both names of the members who will be on the subcommittee.

**Mrs. Daisy Wai:** “That the subcommittee be composed of the following members: the Chair as Chair, Mrs. Martin and Madame Gélinas; and

“That substitution be permitted on the subcommittee.”

**The Chair (Ms. Goldie Ghamari):** Thank you very much, MPP Wai.

A motion has been moved by MPP Wai. Is there any debate? Seeing none, are members ready to vote? Shall the motion carry? All those in favour, please raise your hand. All those opposed? I declare the motion carried.

Thank you, everyone. We will now move into a closed session for a briefing by committee staff. We will recess for five minutes before beginning.

*The committee recessed at 0904 and later continued in closed session.*





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