



# HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SECOND SESSION  
TWELFTH PARLIAMENT

NO. 1  
2021/2022

## ORDER PAPER

### Extraordinary Sitting

THURSDAY OCTOBER 21, 2021: 10:30 A.M.

For the purpose of section 36(1)(a) and (b) of the Constitution

PRAYERS

OATH OR AFFIRMATION

ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE SPEAKER

#### MOTION PURSUANT TO SECTION 36 OF THE CONSTITUTION

1. **WHEREAS** section 35 of the Constitution provides that the President may be removed under section 36 from office where she—
  - (a) willfully violates any provision of the Constitution; and/or
  - (b) behaves in such a way as to bring her office into hatred, ridicule or contempt and/or
  - (c) behaves in a way that endangers the security of the State.

**AND WHEREAS** there have been unrefuted reports:

- a) of recent events at President's House of interference in the selection processes undertaken by the Police Service Commission ("PSC"); and
- b) that a list of nominees for Commissioner of Police prepared by the PSC was recently submitted to The President and she refused to notify the House of these nominees.

**AND WHEREAS** The President has neglected to publicly address those reports and has otherwise failed to faithfully execute her several duties under the Constitution.

**AND WHEREAS** in the circumstances, The President should be removed from office since she:

- (a) willfully violated the provisions of the Constitution securing the independence of the PSC in the performance of its functions and also willfully violated section 123 of the Constitution;
- (b) behaved in such a way as to bring her office into hatred, ridicule or contempt by interfering and/or facilitating interference with the PSC and also by proceeding in the circumstances to appoint new members of the PSC;

- (c) behaved in a way that has resulted in the endangerment of the security of the State through her inactions and/failure and/or neglect to act; and
- (d) has otherwise failed and/or neglected to execute her duties under the Constitution.

**BE IT NOW RESOLVED THAT** pursuant to section 36 of the Constitution, a Tribunal be established to investigate the removal of Her Excellency Paula-Mae Weekes, ORTT from the Office of the President.

**(By the Leader of the Opposition)**

Signed by:

Leader of the Opposition (Member for Siparia)

Member for Barataria/San Juan

Member for Caroni Central

Member for Chaguanas West

Member for Couva North

Member for Couva South

Member for Cumuto/Manzanilla

Member for Fyzabad

Member for Naparima

Member for Oropouhe East

Member for Oropouche West

Member for Caroni East

Member for Chaguanas East

Member for Pointe-a-Pierre

Member for Princes Town

Member for Moruga/Tableland

Member for St. Augustine

Member for Tabaquite

Member for Mayaro

*Jacqui Sampson-Meiguel*  
*Clerk of the House*

*House of Representatives' Secretariat*  
*Red House*  
*Abercromby Street*  
*PORT OF SPAIN*

*October 18, 2021*