

ANNOUNCEMENT

Honourable Members,

Before proceeding with the business of the day, I wish to inform the House that I have, in the exercise of the powers vested in me under Standing Order 77, decided that the House will deal with the suspension of the Hon. First Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (Mr Shakeel Mohamed) before proceeding with paying tribute to late Mr Espitalier-Noel and to late

Mr Yousuf Mohamed.

Honourable Members,

Following the announcement made by the Hon. Deputy Speaker in regard to the suspension of the Hon. First Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East for the sitting of 10 December 2021 and the ensuing 4 sittings, I have to inform the House that, I have now received a proper letter from the Hon. Member tendering his unreserved and unconditional apologies to the House.

The Hon. Member has also made a request to resume his seat.

The procedure governing such cases places a duty on the Chair to apprise the House of the contents of the letter emanating from the Hon. Member.

I am tabling the letter.

Honourable Members,

Since it was the House which suspended the Hon. Member from the service of the Assembly I have no authority in the matter at hand and I leave it to the House for appropriate action.

I thank you.