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March 27th, 1996

Honourable Lloyd Snow
Speaker
House of Assembly
Main Floor, East Block
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St. John's, NF

Dear Speaker:

I am pleased to submit a **Report On The June 27, 1995 Grand Falls By-Election** in accordance with statutory requirements for publication of statistical information.

The original of this Report has been forwarded to the Queen's Printer for reproduction purposes to satisfy future public enquiries. Also, a copy has been supplied to the Legislative Librarian for further reference by Members of the House of Assembly.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "D. Wayne Mitchell".

D. Wayne Mitchell
CHIEF ELECTORAL OFFICER

cc Mr. Michael Mackey
cc Ms. Anna Thistle
cc Mr. Joe Tremblett

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GRAND FALLS BY-ELECTION SUMMARY

On May 29, 1995 a Writ was issued for a By-Election in the Electoral District of Grand Falls to be held on June 27, 1995. The By-Election was called to fill the vacancy created by the May 1, 1995 resignation of Mr. Len Simms as Progressive Conservative M.H.A..

The Official List of Electors compiled in 1994 for all Electoral Districts was used in the Grand Falls By-Election. There were 6,230 electors on the Official List for Grand Falls and another 517 electors were sworn-in at the polls for the By-Election.

Three candidates were nominated for the By-Election. Mr. Michael Mackey represented the Progressive Conservative Party. Ms. Anna Thistle represented the Liberal Party. Mr. Joe Tremblett represented the New Democratic Party.

A total of 3,854 votes were cast in the By-Election comprised of: 3,619 votes at 26 regular polls; 210 votes at 1 Advance Poll; and 25 votes at 33 special polls. Mr. Mackey received 2,056 votes. Ms. Anna Thistle received 1,197 votes. Mr. Joe Tremblett received 593 votes. There were a total of 8 rejected ballot papers.

The election of Mr. Mackey was published in the Newfoundland Gazette on July 11, 1995. The results of the Grand Falls By-Election left representation in the House of Assembly at 35 seats for the Liberal Party; 16 seats for the Progressive Conservative Party; and 1 seat for the New Democratic Party.

The Office of the Chief Electoral Officer spent approximately \$68,000 in supporting the Returning Officer, Election Clerk and approximately 123 election officials to conduct the Grand Falls By-Election.



GRAND FALLS BY-ELECTION POLLING DIVISION RECAPITULATION OF VOTES

No.	Polling Division	Number of Eligible Voters		M. Mackey	A. Thistle	J. Tremblett	Rejected	Total
		1994 List	1995 Swearing In	P.C.	LIB	N.D.P.	Ballots	Cast
1	Grand Falls-Windsor	277	11	58	48	22	1	129
2	Grand Falls-Windsor	257	9	72	34	49	0	155
3	Grand Falls-Windsor	250	11	72	34	18	0	124
4	Grand Falls-Windsor	223	31	87	41	21	0	149
5	Grand Falls-Windsor	240	30	110	38	33	0	181
6	Grand Falls-Windsor	247	15	70	64	4	0	138
7	Grand Falls-Windsor	99	87	88	44	24	0	156
8	Grand Falls-Windsor	177	47	76	53	20	0	149
9	Grand Falls-Windsor	257	5	89	47	18	0	154
10	Grand Falls-Windsor	247	6	94	37	16	0	147
11	Grand Falls-Windsor	217	5	63	40	18	0	121
12	Grand Falls-Windsor	288	15	93	39	34	0	166
13	Grand Falls-Windsor	286	17	109	36	21	0	166
14	Grand Falls-Windsor	283	15	107	45	30	0	182
15	Grand Falls-Windsor	256	8	78	50	17	0	145
16	Grand Falls-Windsor	284	21	83	36	24	0	143
17	Grand Falls-Windsor	345	4	60	88	26	1	175
18	Grand Falls-Windsor	222	9	56	46	9	0	111
19	Grand Falls-Windsor	269	11	62	19	21	0	102
20	Grand Falls-Windsor	240	20	57	35	27	0	119
21	Grand Falls-Windsor	207	37	76	51	16	4	147
22	Grand Falls-Windsor	248	12	72	46	20	0	138
23	Grand Falls-Windsor	294	32	69	65	26	0	160
24	Grand Falls-Windsor	269	0	70	43	20	0	133
25	Grand Falls-Windsor	248	27	85	30	11	1	127
26	Central Newfoundland Regional Health Care Centre Grand Falls-Windsor		1	1	0	1	0	2
27	Advance Poll Grand Falls-Windsor		26	84	78	47	1	210
28	Special Polls		5	15	10	0	0	25
Totals		6,230	517	2,056	1,197	593	8	3,854

GRAND FALLS BY-ELECTION GRANT OF POLL

Polling Station Number	Boundary Description	Polling Station Location
01	Cabot Road; Carmelite House; Carmelite Road; Hill Road; Mill Road	Carmelite House, Carmelite Road
02	Bank Road; Beaumont Avenue from No. 1 to 15 inclusive and from No. 2 to 26 inclusive; Jones Street; Junction Road from No. 1 to 23A inclusive and from No. 2 to 18 inclusive; Peonne Road; Pine Avenue; Queen Street	Royal Canadian Legion, Queen Street
03	Beaumont Avenue from No. 19 to 49B inclusive and from No. 28 to 56 inclusive; Church Road; Exploits Avenue; Exploits Lane; Haig Road; Polygon Road; Riverview Road	Royal Canadian Legion, Queen Street
04	Lincoln Road from No. 1 to 89 inclusive and from No. 10 to 144 inclusive; Sunset Drive; Sulva Road	Royal Canadian Legion, Queen Street
05	Lincoln Road from No. 91 to 97B inclusive and from No. 150 to 166 inclusive; Crescent Heights; Junction Road from No. 20 to 60 inclusive and No. 25 to 53 inclusive; Monchy Road	Royal Canadian Legion, Queen Street
06	Judges Terrace; Lincoln Road from No. 99 to 125A inclusive and from No. 168 to 212 inclusive	Royal Canadian Legion, Queen Street
07	Greenwood Avenue; Memorial Avenue	Royal Canadian Legion, Queen Street
08	Birch Street; Elm Street; Maple Avenue; St. Catherine Street; Larch Street	Royal Canadian Legion, Queen Street
09	Lind Avenue; Poplar Road; Willow Road	Royal Canadian Legion, Queen Street
10	Circular Road; Gilbert Street; West Street	Royal Canadian Legion, Queen Street
11	East Street; High Street; Railway Road; Third Avenue; Union Street; Valley Road	Royal Canadian Legion, Queen Street
12	Aspen Hill; Esmond Street; Goodyear Avenue from No. 2 to 18 inclusive and from No. 3 to 5 inclusive; Kerry Place; Mayo Street; Sutherland Drive	Kin Centre, Exploits Avenue
13	Allan Street; Chamberlain Street; Gately Street; Goodyear Avenue from No. 9 to 21 inclusive and from No. 20 to 54A inclusive	Kin Centre, Exploits Avenue

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Polling Station Number	Boundary Description	Polling Station Location
14	Goodyear Avenue from No. 58 to 108 inclusive and from No. 65 to 105 inclusive; Muir Avenue	Kin Centre, Exploits Avenue
15	Cranley Place; Dunn Place; Goodyear Avenue from No. 107 to 125 inclusive and from No. 108A to 126 inclusive; Sullivan Street	Kin Centre, Exploits Avenue
18	Bartle Place; Cater Avenue; Cater Place; Edwards Place; Southcott Place	Senior Citizen's Centre, Edwards Place
19	Brown Avenue from No. 1 to 105A inclusive and from No. 2 to 60 inclusive; Tucker Place	Senior Citizen's Centre, Edwards Place
20	Brown Avenue from No. 62 to No. 102B inclusive and from No. 107 to 153 inclusive; Ebsary Place; Hicks Place	Senior Citizen's Centre, Edwards Place
21	Anstey Place; Earle Place; Finn Avenue; Gardner Street from No. 1 to 47 inclusive and from No. 2 to 42A inclusive Moore Place; Shallow Street	Pentecostal Church, Grenfell Heights
22	Crawley Avenue; Gardner Street from No. 43 to 49 inclusive and from No. 44 to 52 inclusive; Grenfell Heights from No. 1 to 67 inclusive and from No. 2 to 66 inclusive; Thomas Street	Pentecostal Church, Grenfell Heights
23	Canada Place; Dawe Crescent; Hanson Place; Ireland Drive; Knight Street; Power Street	Pentecostal Church, Grenfell Heights
24	Grenfell Heights from No. 68 to 220 inclusive and from No. 69 to 221 inclusive.	Pentecostal Church, Grenfell Heights
25	Grenfell Heights from No 222 to intersection of Trans Canada Highway and from No. 223 to intersection of Trans Canada Highway	Pentecostal Church, Grenfell Heights
26	Central Newfoundland Regional Health Centre (This polling station is only for residents of Grand Falls District who are <u>patients</u> at the Health Centre on polling day.)	Central Newfoundland Regional Health Care Centre
27	Advance Poll - Grand Falls-Windsor	Senior Citizens Complex, Edwards Place
28	There were a total of 33 special polls: 7 Hospitals, 8 Correctional Centres, 17 Community Colleges and the Hibernia Worksite	

GRAND FALLS BY-ELECTION FINANCE REPORT

Part III of the Elections Act, 1991 that was proclaimed into force on October 1, 1993 established a regulatory framework for campaign financing that was applicable in the Grand Falls By-Election. All three Candidates in the By-Election together with the Liberal Party filed audited financial statements of campaign income and expenses within the six month deadline after polling day.

The spending limit for the Grand Falls By-Election was \$18,721. This was calculated based on \$3.005 for each of the 6,230 persons on the Official List of Electors for the District.

Mr. Michael Mackey reported total expenses of \$20,875 of which \$13,867 were subject to the expense limit. Ms. Anna Thistle reported total expenses of \$22,265 of which \$17,981 were subject to the expense limit. Mr. Joe Tremblett reported total expenses of \$5,991 of which \$4,104 were subject to the expense limit. The Liberal Party reported total expenses of \$19,432 of which \$6,944 were subject to the limit.

Each of the three Candidates, having received more than fifteen percent of the popular vote in the By-Election, were entitled to an election expense reimbursement. This payment was calculated based on the lessor of their campaign election expenses or 1/3 of the \$18,721 spending limit. Mr. Michael Mackey and Ms. Anna Thistle each received the maximum reimbursement of \$6,240 while Mr. Joe Tremblett received \$4,104. A total of \$1,350 was paid to all three Candidates as a subsidy toward their audit fees.

The election finance documents filed under Part III of the Elections Act, 1991, are a matter of public record and may be viewed at the Office of the Chief Electoral Officer during normal business hours. The following table summarizes the financial information submitted by the Candidates and the Liberal Party in the Grand Falls By-Election.

GRAND FALLS BY-ELECTION FINANCIAL REPORT SUMMARY

	Michael Mackey	P.C. Party	Anna Thistle	Liberal Party	Joe Tremblett	N.D.P. Party
Income						
Contributions	\$ 3,830	-	\$ 6,025	-	\$ 5,120	-
Interest Income	5	-	-	-	-	-
Transfers	10,800	-	10,000	-	1,200	-
Other	-	-	-	\$ 6,240	-	-
Total Income	<u>14,635</u>	<u>Nil</u>	<u>16,025</u>	<u>6,240</u>	<u>6,320</u>	<u>Nil</u>
Expenses						
Election Expenses						
Accounting and Audit	-	-	-	481	-	-
Advertising	2,450	-	8,456	-	1,912	-
Bank Charges	27	-	43	-	11	-
Brochures	3,247	-	-	867	-	-
Meetings Hosted	-	-	100	66	-	-
Office and Equipment Rental	1,424	-	-	-	-	-
Office Supplies	523	-	852	-	30	-
Postage	12	-	340	-	-	-
Professional Fees	-	-	-	-	-	-
Research and Polling	-	-	-	-	-	-
Salaries	1,500	-	1,915	1,225	-	-
Signs	3,009	-	1,666	-	655	-
Social Functions	-	-	1,212	-	-	-
Telephone	602	-	2,454	85	598	-
Travel	-	-	60	2,989	470	-
Utilities	-	-	-	-	428	-
Other	1,073	-	883	1,231	-	-
Total Election Expenses	<u>13,867</u>	<u>Nil</u>	<u>17,981</u>	<u>6,944</u>	<u>4,104</u>	<u>Nil</u>
Excluded Expenses						
Salaries	-	-	-	-	1,200	-
Transfers Paid Out	6,743	-	3,820	12,488	-	-
Utilities	165	-	-	-	-	-
Other	100	-	464	-	687	-
Total Excluded Expenses	<u>7,008</u>	<u>Nil</u>	<u>4,284</u>	<u>12,488</u>	<u>1,887</u>	<u>Nil</u>
Total Expenses	<u>20,875</u>	<u>Nil</u>	<u>22,265</u>	<u>19,432</u>	<u>5,991</u>	<u>Nil</u>
Campaign Period Deficit Before Reimbursement	(6,240)	-	(6,240)	(13,192)	(329)	-
Elections Expenses Reimbursement	6,240	-	6,240	-	4,104	-
Campaign Period Surplus (Deficit)	<u>Nil</u>	<u>Nil</u>	<u>Nil</u>	<u>\$ (13,192)</u>	<u>\$4,433</u>	<u>Nil</u>

