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## **LEGISLATURE TO RE-OPEN MONDAY**



The Legislature will resume next Monday, March 21.

In a memo to Queen's Park staff on March 15, Speaker **Ted Arnott,** MPP (Wellington-Halton Hills) said he will formally discontinue the mask mandate within the halls of Queen's Park, beginning Monday.

This follows a motion from Government House Leader **Paul Calandra**, MPP (Markham-Stouffville), passed last week, that OK'd going maskless in the legislative chamber and committee rooms. Minister Calandra met with PEO York Chapter GLP reps in August 2021.

One of the first activities that will resume is the Legislature will again be recognizing former MPPs who have passed away. It is a tradition where one MPP from each party pays tribute to the late MPP.

Another activity that will resume will be MPPs' ability to hold press conferences at Queen's Park.

The Legislature will be open for people to attend on a limited basis by invitation.

The government is expected to still adjourn late next month in anticipation of the June 2 provincial election.



Speaker **Ted Arnott,**MPP (WellingtonHalton Hills).



Government House Leader Hon. Paul Calandra, MPP (Markham-Stouffville).

# FOUR MORE MPPS NOT SEEKING RE-ELECTION









Rema Berns McGown, MPP (Beaches—East York) (top left), NDP Critic for Poverty and Homelessness, Bill Walker, MPP (Bruce—Grey—Owen Sound) (bottom left), Deputy Speaker, Daryl Kramp, MPP (Hastings—Lennox and Addington) (top right) and Randy Hillier, MPP (Lanark—Frontenac—Kingston) (bottom right) will not be seeking re-election.

Four more incumbent MPPs have announced they will not seek re-election in the upcoming June 2 provincial election. The four MPPs are:

- Rima Berns McGown, MPP (Beaches—East York), NDP Critic for Poverty and Homelessness
- Bill Walker, MPP (Bruce—Grey—Owen Sound), Deputy Speaker
- Daryl Kramp, MPP (PC—Hastings—Lennox and Addington)
- Randy Hillier, MPP (Independent—Lanark—Frontenac—Kingston)

This is in addition to the 24 MPPs previously reported in the *GLP Weekly Times* that are retiring.

### **MEET YOUR MPPS**

This week, the *GLP Weekly Times* features Hon. **Kaleed Rasheed**, MPP (Mississauga East-Cooksville), Associate Minister of Digital Government and **Chris Glover**, MPP (Spadina-Fort York).



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#### HON. KALEED RASHEED, MPP

Hon. **Kaleed Rasheed**, MPP (Mississauga East-Cooksville) was first elected to the Ontario Legislature in 2018 as a member of the Progressive Conservative Party.

He is now the Associate Minister of Digital Government.

He previously served as Chair of the Standing Committee on Regulations and Private Bills and the Deputy Government Whip.

Prior to his election, he worked in banking, the service sector and the telecommunication sector.

He has attended past PEO Mississauga Chapter events, including an online Meet and Greet with five other local MPPs on January 19, 2021.

#### CHRIS GLOVER, MPP

**Chris Glover,** MPP (Spadina-Fort York) was elected as a member of the New Democratic Party to the Ontario Legislature in 2018.

MPP Glover is the NDP Critic for Technology Development and Innovation.

Prior to his election, he was a Toronto District School Board Trustee, an Adjunct Professor at York University and a member of the Toronto Board of Health.

He regularly participates in PEO activities. Most recently, he was the guest speaker at the PEO East Toronto Chapter's licence certificate ceremony on May 12, 2021.



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Mr. Lee has been working as an Environmental Engineer for the Town of Oakville since 2020, has been a member of PEO's GLC since 2018 and previously served as Vice Chair.

Asif Khan, P.Eng. was elected as the new Vice Chair.

Mr. Khan has been active with the PEO Windsor-Essex Chapter for over a decade. He is currently employed as both the Knowledge Development Manager at Stellantis and as an Adjunct Professor at the University of Windsor.

Also attending the March 10 GLC meeting were Chapter representative **Tracy Garner**, P.Eng., student representative **Shawn Yanni**, GLP Manager **Jeannette Chau**, P.Eng., and PEO Government Relations Consultant **Howard Brown**.

Included on the agenda were reports from the GLP Manager on government liaison activities, a report on the GLP's engagement training and succession working group and an update on the activities of the Engineering Student Societies' Council of Ontario.

# **GLP TRIVIA CONTEST**

There was no winner in the GLP Trivia Contest last week, so the *GLP Weekly Times* has chosen a new question.

This week's question: Which Ontario Minister has participated in two meetings with PEO representatives from the North Bay Chapter in the last two weeks?

Join the Contest: Test your knowledge of the GLP Weekly Times with our weekly trivia question! Send your answers to Erika Murray at erika@brown-cohen.com by Monday, March 21.

You may only win once in a four-week span.



# **UPCOMING MPP EVENTS**

Tuesday, March 22 at 7 PM – Barrie-Innisfil NDP Housing Town Hall with Jessica Bell, MPP (University-Rosedale). This will be a virtual event. To register, click here.

Tuesday, March 29 9AM - 4:30 PM - Workforce Summit 2.0: Closing the Talent Gap with Monte McNaughton, MPP (Lambton-Kent-Middlesex), Minister of Labour, Training and Skills Development. It will be held at the Toronto Region Board of Trade. To register, click here.

Wednesday, March 30 from 11:45 AM to 1:30 PM - The Canadian Club of Toronto hosts Ontario Liberal Leader Steven Del Duca. In-person tickets are \$115. Virtual tickets are free. To register, click here.

Wednesday, March 30 at 7 PM - An Evening with Liberal Candidate Catherine Mosca and Liberal House Leader John Fraser, MPP (Ottawa South). It will take place at the Robert McLaughlin Gallery in Oshawa. Regular tickets are \$375, Future fund/Senior tickets are \$250. To register, click here.

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Deadline for submissions is the Thursday of the week prior to publication. The next issue will be published on March 25.

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