



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Tuesday, 20 April, 2021

1. The House met at 11.42 a.m. Mr Speaker read the Prayers.
 2. The House recited the National Pledge.
 3. **Votes and Proceedings**
Mr Speaker announced that he had examined and approved the *Votes and Proceedings* of Tuesday, 13 April, 2021.

The Votes and Proceedings was adopted by unanimous consent.
 4. **Announcement**
Submission of Reports:
Mr Speaker announced that reports of all *Ad-hoc* Committees should be presented by Friday, 30 April, 2021.
 5. **Admittance into the Chamber**
Motion made and Question proposed, “That this House do admit into the Chamber, the family of the late Hon. Prestige Chinedu Ossy (*Aba North/Aba South Federal Constituency*), the Executive Governor of Abia State, His Excellency, Okezie Victor Ikpeazu, and his entourage, wives of South-East Members of the House of Representatives, and wife and children of Member-elect, Aba North/South Federal Constituency, Mr Chimaobi Ebisike, for the purpose of a Valedictory Session in honour of late Hon. Prestige Chinedu Ossy, pursuant to Order Twenty-One, Rule 8 (1)” (*Hon. Garba Alhassan Ado — House Leader*).
 - Agreed to.*
 6. **Valedictory Session in honour of Hon. Prestige Ossy (*Aba North/Aba South Federal Constituency*)**
The House Leader, Hon. Garba Alhassan Ado, Principal Officers of the House, Sen. Enyinnaya Abaribe, the Senate Minority Leader, as well as other Members took turns to extol the virtues and sterling qualities of the late Hon. Prestige Chinedu Ossy as an astute politician, a bridge builder an entrepreneur of great repute, a pragmatic and dogged fighter who was loved by all, and regarded as the Chairman, “House of Commons” in the 8th Assembly.
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Mr Speaker's Valedictory Remarks:

The Speaker, Hon. Femi Gbajabiamila, in his remarks, noted that the gathering was more of a celebration of the life of an accomplished parliamentarian and a fine gentleman. He regretted that the death of Hon. Prestige Ossy was a great loss to the entire Membership of the House of Representatives, the Aba North/Aba South Federal Constituency, the people of Aba town, South East and indeed Nigeria in general.

Mr Speaker recalled that Hon. Prestige Ossy's contributions in the House earned him the appellation of the "Commander in Chief of the House of Commons" in the House of Representatives, and that he left his footprints in the sands of time.

Concluding, Mr Speaker stated that Hon. Prestige Ossy will forever be missed by him, the House, and his family and therefore prayed for God's preservation of the family.

7. Adjournment

That the House do adjourn till Wednesday, 21 April, 2021 at 11.00 a.m. (Hon. Garba Alhassan Ado — House Leader).

The House adjourned accordingly at 1.48 p.m.

Femi Hakeem Gbajabiamila
Speaker

CORRIGENDUM

In the *First Votes and Proceedings* of Thursday, 25 March, 2021, page 1758, item 4 (ii), *leave out* all the words and *insert* as follows:

(ii) ***Appointment of Member, Governing Council of National Institute of Legislative and Democratic Studies (NILDS):***

Mr Speaker announced the appointment of Hon. Ofor Gregory Chukwuegbo as a member of the Governing Council of NILDS.

Femi Hakeem Gbajabiamila
Speaker