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Cliff Graydon, MLA for Emerson

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NDP PLAYING POLITICS WITH LYME DISEASE VICTIMS

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NDP deny vote on resolution to raise public awareness of Lyme disease

A resolution introduced by Emerson MLA Cliff Graydon, which would raise public awareness of Lyme disease, was unable to be voted on in the Legislature today after the NDP chose to speak out the resolution.

“I am very disappointed that the NDP has once again chosen to play petty politics instead of moving forward on serious issues that are of concern to Manitobans,” said Graydon. “The NDP said they would put their work ethic on display during this emergency sitting of the Legislature. Unfortunately, we are seeing what that work ethic really means – the NDP would rather play partisan games instead of helping to raise awareness about a disease that affects many Manitobans.”

Lyme disease is a growing concern in Manitoba. The number of confirmed and probable Lyme cases in the province increased from five in 2009 to 52 in 2016. Several Manitobans suffering from Lyme disease, along with their families, took the time to come to the Legislature today to hear the debate and see this important resolution passed. Instead, the NDP chose to dismiss their concerns and deny the opportunity to vote on and pass this resolution.

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