

**MOMBASA COUNTY ASSEMBLY  
HANSARD REPORT**

Tuesday, 19<sup>th</sup> January, 2016

The House met at 2:31p.m.

*(Mr. Speaker (Hon. Thadius Rajwayi) in the Chair)*

**PRAYERS**

**Mr. Speaker** (Hon. Rajwayi): Kindly have your seats Hon. Members. Clerk, can you confirm whether there is quorum?

*(Clerk confirmed quorum)*

**COMMUNICATION FROM THE CHAIR**

*(Interruption)*

I want to believe Hon. Suleiman Boma is not on his feet to make any communication on behalf of the Chair...

*(Applause)*

Hon. Members, it is my humble and heartfelt pleasure to welcome you back to the Fourth session of the First Assembly of the Mombasa County Assembly. Indeed this is an auspicious and momentous occasion in the calendar of this August House where history will be made in the service of the great people of Mombasa. We as the pioneer County Assembly stand at great crossroads to deliver on the promises and fruits of devolution given birth by the new Constitution which the great people of Kenya chose for themselves. As we usher the New Year, we recall the previous session where our County Assembly debated and passed many Motions and Bills in fulfillment of our mandate as a County Assembly and in the service of the people. It is remarkable to note that last year this August House under my leadership debated and enacted over 30 which are expected to impact positively on our County and bring in the needed positive change to our people. Hon. Members, ladies and gentlemen, yet, these and other achievements should not blind us to great tasks and challenges ahead in the final two sessions of our County Assembly. We need to re-dedicate ourselves and forge ahead with ever strong will to do even more so that this great County and her citizens enjoy the sweet fruits of devolution as envisaged by our founding fathers. At this (??) stage devolution still faces many challenges; chief of which is lack of enough funds to meet the long unquenched thirst and hunger for development of our people, delays in disbursement of the same from the national treasury and internal barriers to access have in the past year hampered many of our operations to enable us effectively and efficiently deliver on our mandate. Yet despite and all we remain committed to match ahead in our quest with enthusiasm and gusto; we shall continue in our heroic drive to serve our people and in our mandate to oversight our counterparts in the County executive as stipulated in Article 185 (3) Constitution.

Hon. Members, it is worth noting that devolution is maturing each day and the parent must let go. As you may be aware, this year marks the end of the three year transition period of devolved government. We expect a number of changes as the Transition Authority folds up and unbundles the remaining functions of the Counties. Let us celebrate our achievements to date, we acknowledge that many lessons have been learnt and milestones have been reached during our journey. Let us congratulate ourselves for keeping up the spirit and keeping the fire burning, let us re-dedicate ourselves to our work and to serving the people. Hon. Members, Last but not least, let us thank the almighty God for keeping us alive and healthy to see this day, all good praises be to God, the creator and the sustainer of the universe.

I thank you all and again welcome you back to the Mombasa County Assembly!

God bless us all.

*(Applause)*

### MESSAGES

*(Interruption)*

What is it Hon. Dharwesh? You know the only business we are transacting is communication from the Chair but because...

**Hon. (Mrs.) Zainab Said:** Nataka kuzungumza kitu kidogo, kama itawezekana.

**Mr. Speaker** (Hon. Rajwayi): You are allowed to welcome other Hon. Members to the session.

**Hon. (Mrs.) Zainab Said:** Wataniruhusu mimi ni mama yao, ahsante. Mimi nilikuwa nasema jamani ‘*elected*’ na sisi ‘*nominated*’ tumekimya sana; kuna mtu ametoka huko alikotoka akatutukania Rais wetu tukaita mtu wa magazeti akaja tukaeleza haikutolewa na ni kwa nini? Kitu cha pili haya maofisi ya ‘*elected*’ yote yataka yafungwe ni ‘*injury time*’. Sasa walipwe madeni yao alafu basi yafungwe haina maana, mtasimama kwa majukwaa muulizwe deni liko wapi la ofisi hamjalipa teremka chini. Kwa hivyo mkishalipa zile deni fungeni ofisi...

*(Applause)*

*(Interruption)*

**Mr. Speaker** (Hon. Rajwayi): What is it Hon. Mumba?

**Hon. (Mrs.) Priscilla Mumba:** Ahsante Mheshimiwa Spika; mimi kwanza nashukuru Mungu kwa kutupa uzima, kwa kutupa afya kutoka mwaka jana Mungu ametujalia tena tumekutana Bunge mwaka mpya. Tunashukuru Mungu tumepitia mitihani mingi lakini Mungu ni mwema ametuleta katika ‘*session*’ ya mwaka mwingine ambao tuliwaza, na tuko tayari kufanya kazi. Yangu mimi si makali kama mama Kaunti alivyoyachafua lakini kitu ningeomba ni kuwa sote ni Waheshimiwa tushirikiane tusaaidiane kikazi; hakuna ambaye aliye bora kuliko mwingine lakini sote ni mara ya kwanza katika Bunge la Kaunti. Hili ni Bunge la kwanza kwa hivyo tunavyosonga tunazidi kujenga historia kwa sababu ugatuzi ulikuja kutuunganisha. Kitu naomba ni kwamba tujitahidi katika Miswada iliyo mbele yetu katika mambo tofauti ili tusiweze kurudi nyuma tuwe tumeweza kumevunja rekodi katika Kamati zetu na Miswada tuliyopitisha mwaka jana, na mwaka huu iweze kuongeza kidogo. Kwa hio nashukuru waheshimiwa wenzangu, nashukuru pia kwa sababu ya uzima maana kuna wakati tulipata mapigo kadha wa kadha lakini twashukuru Mungu kwa sababu sote tuko na uzima. Ahsante Mheshimiwa Spika.

**Mr. Speaker** (Hon. Rajwayi): Ladies and gentlemen, allow the Hon. Speaker to..., it seems the number is increasing, I wouldn’t want to be accused of not being gender sensitive, Hon. Dharwesh and Hon. Mumba have spoken and I will give a chance Hon. Murfad and that will be the end of it.

**Hon. Amur:** Mr. Hon. Speaker Sir, being opening day I thought after your speech procedurally; either the Governor if he is around and then this session comes to adjournment or any Member who wishes to welcome us to the Assembly is allowed but not any other issue. I think procedures should be followed, thank you.

**Mr. Speaker** (Hon. Rajwayi): That is what has actually been done and that is what Hon. Priscilla has said even though the comments by Hon. Dharwesh have reminded me the very sweeter part of the last session that is a very intense contest because the Nominated and the Elected who wanted to vie. I want to believe Hon. Dharwesh is not willing and ready to compete against Hon. Amur Murfad, otherwise as it is we allow the proceeding to continue as it appears in the Order paper.

### ADJOURNMENT

Ladies and gentlemen this House stands adjourned until tomorrow 20<sup>th</sup> January 2016 Wednesday at exactly 9:00a.m.

The House rose at 2:46p.m.