

## COUNTY ASSEMBLY OF MOMBASA THE HANSARD

Tuesday, 26<sup>th</sup> September, 2023 **Third Assembly – Sixty Eighth Sitting** 

[The County Assembly met at 11:00a.m. at the County Assembly Buildings]
[The Temporary Speaker (Honourable Abdirahman Abdulkadir) in the Chair]

## **PRAYERS**

**The Temporary Speaker** (Hon. Abdirahman Abdulkadir): Members, please take your seats. Yes Clerk?

## NOTICES OF MOTION

ESTABLISHMENT OF RESCUE CENTERS AND SOCIAL PROTECTION SCHEME TO PROTECT VULNERABLE CHILDREN

Yes, Honourable Allen Katana, please give the Notice of Motion? Please take your seat Honourable Joshua. Yes proceed?

**Hon. Katana:** Thank you Mr. Speaker for your great wisdom and because of that Mr. Speaker Sir I beg to give notice of the following Motion. Mr. Speaker;

**AWARE THAT** children are the most vulnerable members of the society and deserve utmost care and protection;

**FURTHER AWARE THAT** vulnerable children including orphans, victims of gender-based violence, child trafficking and child labour face dire circumstances that require immediate intervention;

**NOTING THAT** our County must uphold its duty to safeguard and uplift the welfare of all children within our jurisdiction;

**UNDERSCORING THAT** the establishment of orphanages and rescue centers is crucial to provide a safe haven for these vulnerable children;

**COGNIZANT THAT** a comprehensive welfare social protection scheme is needed to mitigate against the suffering and exploitation of our children

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**SERIOUSLY CONCERNED THAT** the lack of such interventions perpetuates the cycle of suffering and hinders our children's future prospects;

Mr. Speaker, I therefore, urge this Assembly to RESOLVE:

- i. THAT the County government establishes orphanages and rescue centers dedicated to the care and rehabilitation of orphans, vulnerable children and victims of gender-based violence, child trafficking, and child labour;
- **ii. THAT** the County government implements a welfare social protection scheme to provide financial assistance and support to vulnerable children and their families
- **iii. THAT** the orphanages offer counseling, basic education, and vocational training to empower these children for a brighter future.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Abdirahman Abdulkadir): Yes Clerk?

WAIVER OF MEDICAL EXPENSES FOR INSECURITY VICTIMS

Yes, Honourable Sylvester Kai please give the Notice of Motion.

**Hon. Kai:** I beg to give notice of the following Motion;

**AWARE THAT** security is the National government's constitutional responsibility but the County Government has a secondary role, including security enhancement via street lighting;

**FURTHER AWARE THAT** while there is coverage of many areas in the County with street lighting some areas do not have street lighting or have malfunctioning street lights;

**NOTING THAT** residents in Mombasa County are vulnerable to attacks due to insufficient street lighting;

**SERIOUSLY CONCERNED THAT** absence of adequate street lighting heightens night insecurity risks exposing the public to attack by gangsters especially in the suburbs;

I, therefore urge this Assembly to RESOLVE:

I. THAT, victims of insecurity, especially at night, receives a 100 per cent waiver of medical expenses at public hospitals in the County thus easing their financial burden and promoting community safety.

II.THAT the County government enhances installation and maintenance of street lighting in all areas, focusing on poorly lit zones, bolstering public security in partnership with the National government, and minimizing resident vulnerability.

Thank you.

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The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Abdirahman Abdulkadir): Okay well noted. Yes Clerk?

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Honourable Members, this House stands adjourned until Tuesday  $26^{th}$  September, 2023 at 2:30p.m.

The House rose at 11:09a.m.