

COUNTY ASSEMBLY OF MOMBASA

OFFICIAL REPORT

Wednesday, 27th February, 2019 The House met at 9:50a.m.

(The Speaker (Hon. Aharub Ebrahim Khatri) in the Chair)

PRAYERS

The Speaker (Hon. Khatri): Hon. Members you may be seated.

(Silence)

Yes Clerk?

NOTICES OF MOTION

CREATION OF DESIGNATED CONDUSIVE/BREASTFEEDING AREAS WITH ITS ENABLING POLICY IN ALL LICENSED COUNTY PUBLIC ESTABLISHMENTS, COUNTY PUBLIC SERVICE DELIVERY POINTS

Yes Hon. Faith Mwende please give the notice of Motion.

Hon. Mwende: Thank Mr. Speaker Sir for giving me this chance. Mr. Speaker Sir, I beg to give notice of the following Motion;

AWARE THAT Article 27 (5) of the Constitution of Kenya, 2010 provides that a person shall not discriminate directly or indirectly against another person on any of the grounds specified or contemplated in Sub-Article 27 (4) which includes but not limited to; sex and pregnancy;

FURTHER AWARE THAT Article 28 of the same Constitution dictates that every person has inherent dignity and the right to have that dignity respected and protected as required for the Breastfeeding mothers in any public establishment;

WHILE APPRECIATING THAT breast milk has nutrients and protective antibodies that help them grow and boosts their delicate immune systems and overall health,

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factoring the World Health Organization (WHO) recommendation for exclusive breastfeeding of newborns for six months before introduction of food and continuation of the same until one to two years of age;

FURTHER APPRECIATING THAT through breastfeeding, mothers are able to grow and enhance their attachment and bonding with their infants, a phenomenon that every mother is entitled to;

DISTURBED THAT lactating mothers often feel ashamed of breastfeeding in public and semi-public places due to possibility of potential objections by other people, negative comments, or harassment not to mention the discomfort and health risk mothers get exposed to for fear of breastfeeding in public;

FURTHER DISTURBED that in the past, there has been cases of mothers being denied the privilege to nurse their infants in public or semi-public establishments due to lack of a designated nursing area;

I therefore urge this Assembly to RESOLVE that:

The County Executive moves with speed to ensure all licensed County public establishments, County public service delivery points and other workplaces designate a conducive nursing/breastfeeding areas with its enabling policy as a requirement and condition for license renewal by the County government of Mombasa.

Thank you.

The Speaker (Hon. Khatri): Thank you Hon. Faith Mwende. Yes Clerk?

STATEMENT

Yes Hon. Renson Thoya.

Hon. Thoya: Nilikuwa nataka kujua kama Jumba hili limefilisika ama ni vipi kutoka kwako kwa sababu tumekuwa na muda mwingi sana kwamba hizi karatasi za kutia sahihi hata kalamu yenyewe pale ni kubambanya. Cha kusikitika nafika hapa naona hiki kidude sijui mwakiitaje (Showed a broken microphone) kimeng'oka naona tupewe mwelekeo kama Jumba hili limefika katika hali mahututi ama kama kuna pesa tuweze kuambiwa ili tuweze kuona kama twaweza letewa vitu vipya, hapa tulipofikia hata ingekuwa ni watu wa media ingekuwa ni aibu kubwa sana. Ahsante...

(Applause)

The Speaker (Hon. Khatri): Thank you Hon. Renson Thoya we will take note of that and we will speak to the Clerk as the accounting officer and know what the way forward. Yes Clerk?

ADJOURNMENT

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Honourable Members this House stand adjourned until Wednesday 27^{th} February, 2019 at 2:30p.m.

The House rose at 9:54a.m.