

PRESIDENTIAL PROCLAMATION

-With Respect To-THE DEATH OF H.E. DANIEL TOROITICH arap MOI, C.G.H. Second President of the Republic of Kenya

SOLEMNLY ISSUED AT STATE HOUSE, NAIROBI ON THE 4th DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2020

To the People of the Republic of Kenya, the Sons and Daughters of Africa, and the World at Large;

IT IS with profound sadness and sorrow that I announce the passing of a Great African Statesman, **H.E. Daniel Toroitich arap Moi**, the Second President of the Republic of Kenya. His Excellency the Former President passed on at the Nairobi Hospital on the early morning of this 4th February, 2020; in the presence of his Family.

OUR NATION and our Continent were immensely blessed by the dedication and service of the Late Mzee Moi; who spent almost his entire adult life serving Kenya and Africa in a number of capacities. The Late Mzee Moi served us as an



Educator, a Teacher, a Legislator, Member of Parliament, a Cabinet Minister, the Vice-President and finally as the President of the Republic of Kenya.

UPON HIS RETIREMENT from State Office, and in keeping with the seemingly boundless energy that characterized his many decades of Public Service, the Late Mzee Moi continued to serve Kenya and Africa by mentoring leaders in Kenya and beyond, continued participation in development projects and charitable works, and advocating for Peace, Love and Unity throughout Africa and the World.

AS A LEADING FIGURE in the Struggle for Kenya's Independence, and an ardent Pan-Africanist; the Late Mzee Moi's Legacy undoubtedly positions him as one of Africa's Greatest, a Man who made his Nation and the Continent immeasurably better. Following the sudden death of the First President of the Republic of Kenya, the Late Mzee Jomo Kenyatta, the Late Mzee Moi stepped into apex leadership in 1978 and immediately brought calm and confidence to a Nation reeling in shock, following the unexpected death of the Head of State.

THE LATE MZEE MOI'S steady hand guided Kenya through the restoration of multi-partyism and many other challenging periods; culminating in the peaceful transfer of power in December 2002, a then rare occurrence in Africa and one which set an example that has been emulated across the Continent and beyond ever since. His Legacy endures in Kenya even to this day, encapsulated in the Nyayo Philosophy of 'Peace, Love and Unity' that was his mantra throughout his tenure as our Head of State and Government.

AS WE MOURN THE PASSING of an African Icon, our heartfelt condolences go out to his Children, Relatives and Close Friends. We will never forget that even as he served Kenya, Africa and the World; the Late Mzee Moi remained a



deeply committed family man, a loving Husband, Father, Grandfather and earnest Friend to so many. While they undoubtedly grieve his passing, I wish to assure them that Mzee Moi lives on in the hearts of the Millions of Kenyans who benefited from his servant-leadership, and in the peaceful, harmonious and united Kenya that was built in large part by the works of his hands.

ABOVE ALL ELSE, the Late Mzee Moi was a devoted Christian, who nevertheless championed the rights of all persons of all faiths to observe their religion without discrimination or impediment. Daniel Toroitich arap Moi ran a good race, kept the faith, and now he is enjoying his reward in heaven.

IN HONOUR OF THE LIFE AND TIMES of the Late Great Mzee Daniel Toroitich arap Moi, and on behalf of a grateful Nation forever indebted to our deceased Second President for all his many years of steadfast public service, I, UHURU KENYATTA, under the authority vested in me as the President of the Republic of Kenya and the Commander in Chief of the Kenya Defence Forces, do hereby ORDER and DIRECT: -

- THAT in testimony of the respect in which the memory of the Late Daniel Toroitich arap Moi is held, the nation will observe a period of national mourning from today until the day of his funeral;
- II. <u>THAT</u> the Late Daniel Toroitich arap Moi shall be accorded a **State Funeral**, with all appropriate **Civilian and Full Military Honours** being rendered and observed;



- THAT as an expression of public sorrow the Flag of the Republic of Kenya shall be flown at half-mast at State House, State Lodges, all Public Buildings and Public Grounds, all Military Bases, Posts and Stations, on all Naval Vessels of the Republic of Kenya, and however elsewhere throughout the Republic of Kenya; from dawn on 4th February, 2020 Until sunset on the day of the Burial; and
- V. <u>THAT</u> our national flag shall be flown at **half-mast** for the same length of time at all High Commissions, Embassies, Consulates, Diplomatic Offices and other facilities of the Republic of Kenya **abroad**.

May the Late Mzee Daniel Toroitich arap Moi Rest in Eternal Peace.

ISSUED under **the HAND AND SEAL** of the President, on this **4**th **Day of February, 2020.**

UHURU KENYATTA,

<u>President.</u>