PLATEAU STATE HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY

NOTICE OF MOTION:

A CALL ON THE PLATEAU STATE GOVERNMENT AND SECURITY AGENCIES TO ADDRESS THE DESTRUCTION OF MAIZE CROPS IN MAZAT (GANANDAJI) COMMUNITY, BARKIN LADI, IN ORDER TO BRING PERPETRATORS TO JUSTICE.

Mr. Speaker, Hon. Members.

Among the Fundamental Objectives of Government is the provision of security and welfare for its people, maintaining the sanctity and dignity of the human person and the protection of its citizens at all times as enshrined under Sections 14 (1) (2) (b) and 17 (2) (d) (c) of the 1999 Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria as amended.

My Constituency has been a flash point in terms of insecurity in recent times and we are still counting our losses. In a turn of horrifying events, unknown individuals entered the Mazat (Ganandaji) Community in Barkin Ladi Local Government Area on Tuesday the 15th of July 2025, and deliberately destroyed maize crops belonging to multiple farmers. The extent of the damages is significant, impacting the livelihoods and food security of the affected farmers.

As a representative of the people, I stand and condemn this barbaric act.

NOW THEREFORE, I call on this House to resolve and call on the Plateau State Government and Security Agencies with a sense of urgency:

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- 1. Investigate this heinous act of vandalism and bring the perpetrators to justice to serve as a deterrent to other criminal elements.
- 2. Intensify their effort as part of their mandate in ensuring the safety of lives and properties by tracking down the perpetrators.
- 3. Provide compensation or support to the affected farmers to mitigate the impact on their livelihoods and food security.
- 4. Mandate Local Government Councils across the State to empower Local Vigilantes in their communities to complement the efforts of Security Agencies.

I so move.

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