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# COUNTY GOVERNMENT OF KITUI THE COUNTY ASSEMBLY SECOND ASSEMBLY – (FOURTH SESSION) ORDERS OF THE DAY WEDNESDAY 1<sup>ST</sup> JULY, 2020 AT 9.30 A.M.

### **PRAYERS**

- 1. Administration of Oath;
- 2. Communication from the Chair;
- 3. Messages;
- 4. Petitions;
- 5. Papers;
- 6. Notices of Motion;
- 7. Statements;

# **COMMENCEMENT OF BUSINESS**

# 8.\*. MOTION ON THE STATUS OF SECURITY IN KITUI COUNTY

(Leader of Majority Party)

**Aware** that Article 19 (2) of the Kenyan Constitution 2010 specifically provides for the protection of human rights and fundamental freedoms to preserve the dignity of individuals and communities and promote social justice. Further that Article 25 (a) and 29 (d) provide for freedom from torture and cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment.

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**Further aware that,** Article 29 of the Constitution of Kenya, 2010 also grants every citizen a right to freedom and security.

**Recognising that,** Paragraph 5 of Part two of the fourth schedule to the constitution provides for street lighting as a function of the county government.

**Further recognising**, that most streets in the county are in darkness due to lack of lighting which has contributed to increase in crimes.

**Concerned that** there has been increased incidences of insecurity recorded across the County in the recent past where the public, members of county Assembly and staff working with the executive have been attacked and assaulted while in their line of duty.

**Further Concerned that**, the said acts of crime have been perpetuated by persons well known who masquerade as youth leaders in the county. And that these criminal acts have prevailed for a long time under the watch of county and national authorities without any meaningful redress measures taken against the said perpetrators.

**Noting that** that, the current state of security has caused a lot of suffering to the extent of intimidating senior members of staff in the executive, members of county assembly and staff with the immediate incidence being the brutal attack on Chief Officer Environment and Natural Resources Mr. Clement Munyithya, Honourable Charles Maema of Kivou ward and Honourable James M. Munuve of Kanziko ward, where the same perpetrators were involved in the said attacks. Members of the County Assembly have in various times and occasions received text messages in their phones threatening their life and also be confronted in government buildings with Hon. Alex Mwangangi having been roughed up at the Governor's office.

**Further noting that**, for the county to realise 24 hour economy, security for residents, employees and business people is indispensable and is likely

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to negatively affect the County Economy due to the inability of the public to run their day to day businesses as well as bread winning for their families thus instilling fear in government workers if left unsolved.

### **THEREFORE**, this assembly hereby resolves as follows;

- i. The County Government of Kitui should liaise with the National Government as provided for in provisions of Article 189 (1c) of the Constitution which advocates for consultation between the National and County Governments in matters of security.
- ii. This Assembly formulates a policy to provide for installation, repair and operationalisation of the new and existing street lights in Kitui County Towns.
- iii. The County Assembly Services Board installs security lights around the Assembly Compound.
- iv. The security of members of the Assembly and the Assembly precincts be enhanced since they are both at threat and that the Kitui Mutomo road section where the Assembly is located be fully manned during assembly sessions.
- v. The security of the County be on high alert always to protect the lives of the people of Kitui County.
- vi. The Security apparatus especially the office of the Directorate of Criminal Investigations in Kitui hastens investigations into the incidences mentioned above and ensure that the culprits are brought to book.

(Hon. Peter M. Kilonzo – M.C.A)

\*Denotes order of the day\*