

# COUNTY GOVERNMENT OF KITUI THE COUNTY ASSEMBLY THIRD ASSEMBLY - (FIRST SESSION) COMMUNICATION FROM THE CHAIR

\_\_\_\_\_No. 7 of 2022\_\_\_\_

#### ON

# COUNTY ASSEMBLY AFFAIRS AND MEMBERS' WELFARE.

# Honourable Members,

 It has been a month since we were sworn-in and I would like to take this opportunity to apologise for the slow pace at which things seem to be moving and assure this House that I am committed to seeing that we embark on the business of this House as soon as possible.

# Honourable Members,

- In an effort to ensure that we start of the business of this Assembly, the County Assembly
  Business Committee shall between 27<sup>th</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup> October, 2022 be preparing the County
  Assembly Annual Calendar to guide the business of this House for the reminder of the
  session.
- Similarly, I have requested the Committee on Selection under the leadership of the Leader
  of the Majority Party to ensure that County Assembly Committees are formed within the
  period running from 31st October, 2022 to 5th November, 2022.

# Honourable Members,

4. As we continue to put our House in order, I must say with a lot of concern that I have heard and witnessed the disharmony that is engulfing this House slowly and surely and in extreme covert means, and request members that we accord each other time to learn and where mistakes are made, we embrace dialogue and negotiations for purposes of establishing a common agenda for all of us.

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### Honourable Members,

- 5. From when I was sworn in, I have been clear on the fact that I will relentlessly support this House and I would like to take this opportunity to reiterate this position and confirm that my door is open for all of you to reach out to me at any time. In furtherance of this support and as the Chairman of the Board, I have requested, which request they have graciously accepted, Hon. Mathew Vuthi and Hon. Hussein Mwandia jointly and severally, to be the linkage between the Board and the Honourable Members.
- 6. The two Members shall be in charge of communicating any welfare or benefit decision affecting all of you. Consequently, I am hereby directing the Office of the Clerk to ensure that all communications relating to members' welfare or regarding any benefits accruing to Members should henceforth be submitted to the two members for onward transmission to all Members.

#### Honourable Members,

7. I know the issue of benefits like car loan and mortgage is an emotive one, I am pleading with all of you to be patient with us as we await the formation of Committees upon which we shall have the Assembly supplementary budget considered to address this issue among others. Kindly let us be patient as we await the consideration of the supplementary by this House which will take care of all your welfare issues once passed.

#### Honourable Members,

8. I wish to also remind all of you that we have a statutory duty in line with the Public Officer Ethics Act of 2003 to make our Declaration of Income, Assets and Liabilities and this should be done within the statutory deadline of 30<sup>th</sup> October 2022. I am therefore requesting all of you to complete these declarations as this carries a personal responsibility. I hereby direct the office of the Clerk to facilitate members and offer them the necessary assistance to ensure compliance.

#### Honourable Members,

9. As I conclude, I am aware that Members are yet to make their maiden speeches, I shall in the coming week in consultation with the Clerk and the Leadership of this House plan on how to slot this very important activity in our schedule of business so that members are

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able to make their speeches as I believe the same are very important and critical as we set the agenda for the Third Assembly.

#### 10. Honourable Members,

Please allow me to thank you all for your continued support and I assure you that I will continue discharging my constitutional duties to the best of my ability.

Honourable Members, I thank you!

HON. REVIN KINENGO KATISYA SPEAKER OF ASSEMBLY COUNTY ASSEMBLY OF KITUI 26<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER, 2022.

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