## STATEMENT REQUEST ON THE PROPOSED THAANA IRRIGATION SCHEME IN KYOME THAANA WARD

Mr. Speaker Sir,

Pursuant to the provisions of Standing Order No 41 (2) (c), I would like to request for a statement from the Chairperson Committee on Agriculture, Water and Irrigation on the proposed Thaana Nzau Irrigation Scheme.

Whether, the Chairperson is aware that the proposed Thaana Nzau irrigation Scheme in Kyome/Thaana ward was allocated Kshs. 15 million during the 2022/2023 financial year with a view of starting an irrigation scheme to alleviate food shortage for the people of. Thaana Nzau and its environs.

Whether he is further aware that despite the irrigation scheme being allocated sufficient funding the project has not yet commenced. The relevant County Ministry has never given any explanation as to why the proposed project has never commenced despite the fact that the Assembly appropriated monies towards the same.

Whether he is also aware that failure to undertake this irrigation project infringes on the rights of the people of Thaana Nzau access to sufficient food contrary to the provisions of Article 43(1) of the Constitution which quarantees freedom from hunger and access to acceptable quality food and clean adequate water.

Mr. Speaker sir, pursuant to the provisions of Article 43(d) of the Constitution, clean water and sufficient quality food are basic rights whose access should be guaranteed and as such, lack of access to clean and safe water in adequate quantities infringes on the rights of the residents of the enlisted areas.

Approved.

Mr. Speaker

your may approve

18/1/2024

**Mr. Speaker Sir,** I seek a statement response from the Chairperson, Committee on Agriculture, Water and Irrigation within twenty-one (21) days. Specifically, I request the Committee to: -

- i. Inquire into when the relevant county Ministry plans to start the proposed Thaana Nzau irrigation scheme.
- ii. Carry out an inquiry and inform the House as to where the appropriated amount of Ksh. 15 million was diverted to.
- iii. What circumstances necessitated the diversion of the appropriated monies amounting to Ksh. 15 million.
- iv. Inquire from the relevant County Ministry what project will be allocated to the residents of Thaana Nzau in the event that the initial project is determined to be unviable.

**SIGN** 

HON. ALPHONCE MUSYIMI MUKWAYU.

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**COUNTY ASSEMBLY OF KITUI.** 

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