

NAIROBI CITY COUNTY ASSEMBLY OFFICIAL REPORT First County Assembly – Second Session

Thursday, 17th July, 2014

The House met at 2.30 p.m.

(Hon. Speaker in the Chair)

PRAYERS

Hon. Speaker: Good afternoon, Hon. Members. Leader of the Majority, it looks like we need a recess because the House is not full this week. Hon. Members, I have the following communication to make;

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CHAIR

INVITATION FOR COUNTY EDUCATION TASKFORCE FUNCTION

Hon. Members, you are all aware that in a bid to turn around the Education sector in Nairobi City County, the Governor, His Excellency, Dr. Evans Kidero, launched the Nairobi County Education Taskforce that will seek to revamp the dwindling quality of education in Nairobi County through infrastructural improvement and other initiatives.

Hon. Members, I therefore wish to inform all of you that my office has received a letter from the County Secretary inviting all of you to attend the aforementioned function on Monday 21st July, 2014 at the Charter Hall within City Hall starting at 2.00 p.m. so that together we may charter the way forward for education in the County. Your host will be the Governor of Nairobi City County, H.E. Dr. Evans Kidero. I thank you.

PAPERS

Hon. Member for Eastleigh North(Mr. Osman Adow): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. **Pursuant** to Article 228 Section 6 of the Constitution and Section 39(a) of the Public Finance Management Act 2012 I beg to lay the following paper on the Table of the Assembly today, Thursday, 17th July, 2014, The County Budget Implementation Review Report for the 3rd quarter for the financial year 2013/2014. Thank you.

Hon. Speaker: Thank you very much, Hon. Adow. **Pursuant** to section 149(3) of the Public Finance Management Act 2012, I commit the Report to the Budget and Appropriation Committee to look at and report back to the Assembly.

STATEMENTS

Hon. Speaker: Hon. Martin Karanja.

Hon. Member for Korogocho Ward(Mr. Maxwell Ochar): Mr. Speaker?

Hon. Speaker: What do you have, Hon. Ochar?

Hon. Maxwell Ochar: Statement for----

Hon. Speaker: No, we want the Statement from Hon. Martin Karanja.

Hon. Member for Mutu-ini Ward(Mr. Martin Karanja): Thank you, Mr. Speaker, for this chance. Hon. Speaker, **Pursuant** to Standing Order No. 41---

(Consultations)

Hon. Speaker: Hon. Members do we have a stranger in the House?

(Laughter)

Hon. Speaker: Yes, please continue.

Hon. Member for Mutu-ini Ward (Mr. Martin Karanja): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. **Pursuant** to Standing Order No. 41(2)(c), I wish to request for a Statement from the Chairperson of Agriculture, Environment and Natural Resources regarding the dumping of garbage on residential land in Mutu-ini Ward. Mr. Speaker, the Takataka Solutions Limited is dumping garbage in Mutu-ini Ward especially during

the rainy season as residents use contaminated borehole water for domestic purposes. It is alleged that the Emerald Environment Consultants had carried out the Environment Assessment Test. Hon Speaker in the statement the Chairperson should enquire into and report on:-

- 1. Legality of dumping garbage on residential land by Takataka Solutions Ltd,
- 2. Legality of the Emerald Environment Consultants to carry out the Environmental Impact Assessment Test,
- 3. Whether there is an authenticity certificate from the NEMA,
- 4. The omission of notice on the change of user of the land from residential to industrial,
- 5. Public participation report on the Environment Impact Assessment Test carried out by NEMA,
- 6. The plans by the County Government to avert the ongoing dumping of garbage on residential land.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Hon. Speaker: Thank you, Hon. Martin Karanja. The Hon. Chairperson for the Sectoral Committee on Agriculture, Environment and Natural Resources. Yes, Hon. Adam.

Hon. Member for Makina Ward(Mr. Alhad Adam): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I just want to propose that we are given14 more days to respond.

Hon. Speaker: How many days?

Hon. Alhad Adam: Until Thursday next week.

Hon. Speaker: That is okay. Hon. Leader of Majority.

PROPOSAL TO CONSTITUTE AN AD HOC COMMITTEE

Hon. Leader of Majority (Mr. Elias Otieno): Thank you, Mr. Speaker, on this wonderful day. Mr. Speaker, yesterday you directed me to bring the names of those who own land in Ruai. Mr. Speaker, it is not easy to get the names and it is also not easy to get the names here in City Hall. So I propose if you can constitute an Ad hoc Committee which is going to deal with these kinds of things. We want them to go search and get the names of those who own land in Ruai. So if you allow me, I propose we constitute an Ad hoc Committee. I need a Seconder.

Hon. Speaker: Very well. Hon. Imwatok.

Hon. Member for Makongeni Ward (Mr. Peter Imwatok): Mr. Speaker, I was in the thick of these things today, in my own way, to find a way forward on how we can get the list of the Directors. As I said yesterday some may be on trustees and I feel the best for this County is for us to go in depth to understand the gravity of this allocation. As a County we must be explicit in it. I want to second the Majority Leader that we get an elaborate, competent Ad Hoc Committee so that as Members it will be an open forum for everybody to participate, so that we call every person. I was there when the Majority Leader was questioning the Minister for Planning and the S.G of this County and it is funny---

In fact it is a fallacy for the County to say that these people applied for this land to be leased to them as a Company and in the Articles of Association of every Company you must have the list of Directors. However, our top notch people concerned with land, the Minister and the S.G said that these people only produced a certificate to apply for 5 acres of land for lease without the Articles of Association. Mr. Speaker, this is uncalled for. Therefore, I want to support and I urge the entire House for us to get clarity, for us to be seen to bite, this is not an Ad hoc like other Ad hoc Committees, it must be an Ad Hoc that can deliver to Nairobians. I beg to support.

Hon. Speaker: Very well. Hon. Chief Whip Majority.

The Chief Whip of Majority(Mr. David Mberia): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. As we support and second this Ad hoc Committee, I would propose that this Ad hoc Committee should come in the form of Motion to avoid being challenged may be in court by those land grabbers. We want it to come in the form of a Motion, Mr. Speaker sir. Thank you.

(Applause)

Hon. Speaker: Indeed, Hon. Members - and you are right Hon. Chief Whip Majority - is that a Motion should be tabled on the floor of this House on Tuesday 2.30 p.m. by way of Motion so that we form the Ad Hoc Committee. Also in the Ad Hoc Committee we can actually expand a little bit, not only in Ruai but other areas where we think that we need to do an in-depth investigation and come up with a solution once for all. I thank you.

Hon. Speaker: Yes, Hon. Petronilla.

Hon. Petronilla Achieng (Nominated member for Dagoretti North): Thank you, Mr. Speaker sir. In fact you have already echoed what I wanted to say because if you look at this judgment even Westlands Market has been allocated to an individual and the individual is not a person but a company. So we need to go around the whole city to be able to bring out the names of all the Companies that have grabbed land from Nairobi City and then we then we can know what to do.

(Consultation between the Hon. Speaker and the Clerk)

Hon. Petronilla Achieng: Did you hear me Mr. Speaker?

Hon. Speaker: Yes, please go ahead.

Hon. Petronilla Achieng: I was saying that on 4th of July we lost the Westlands Market.

Hon. Speaker: I beg your pardon?

Hon. Petronilla Achieng: We have lost the Westlands Market. So, I am saying this Ad Hoc Committee does an investigation of the entire city so that we know the other areas in the city where we have lost to these companies. A good example is the Westlands Market. We have lost it to Salima Enterprises Limited which is just an abuse, Mr. Speaker. Thank you.

Hon. Speaker: Very well, Hon. Petronilla. Hon. Leah.

Hon. Leah Mumo: Thank you, Hon. Speaker. Pursuant to Standing Order 41(2)(c) I wish to request a Statement from the Chairperson of the Sectoral Committee on Labour and Social Welfare regarding delay of salary remittance for the Health Department workers/staff of Nairobi County. Hon. Speaker the end of--- Hon Speaker I need your attention.

Hon. Speaker: Of course. Sorry Hon. Leah, my apologies.

Hon. Leah Mumo(Nominated Member for Makadara): Thank you. Hon. Speaker, the end of June salary remittance for the Health officers of the Nairobi County has not been done up to date. In addition, confirmation of all the ESP2 2011-nurses PHO's of the permanent and pensionable terms after the expiry of their contract on May 2014 has not been done and there is no official communication about the officer's terms of service. Hon. Speaker, in the Statement the Chairperson should enquire into and report on:-

- 1. When the end of June salary will be remitted,
- 2. The efforts being done by the Executive to confirm the health officers.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Hon. Speaker: Thank you very much, Hon. Leah Mumo. The Chairperson for the Sectoral Committee on Labour and Social Welfare.

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Hon. Member for Lower Savannah Ward (Alfred Ambani): Thank you, Mr. Speaker sir. It's a very weighty matter and as a Committee we are going to work on it and by Thursday we will give a report. Thank you.

Hon. Speaker: Very well. Next order.

Hon. Maxwel Ochar: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I was to give the response to a statement requested by Hon. Isaac Ngige and you deferred it to today because Hon. Ngige was not in the House. Mr. Speaker, it happens that today Hon. Ngige is also not in the House so I will request you as the Chair to drop the Statement.

Hon. Speaker: Very well, thank you very much. Hon. Ngige has not been in and consequently that question is dropped from the Order Paper.

(Applause)

Hon. Speaker: Next order.

Hon. Member for Utawala(Mr. Joash Omwenga): Before we go to the next order, Mr. Speaker---

Hon. Speaker: Order, Hon. Chairperson. The Leader of Majority was supposed to bring a very important message to us here in regards to the road blocks in Runda and he has not brought it.

REMOVAL OF BARRIERS IN RUNDA ESTATE

Hon. Leader of Majority: Mr. Speaker, I saw it in the newspapers today, they are saying they are not going to remove those barriers. However, Mr. Speaker, I can strongly repeat once again that we are going to call for mass action in that area and we are going to use orthodox ways to remove those barriers. If the County Government cannot remove those barriers we are going to remove these barriers ourselves in a Korogocho way, or Kariobangi way, or Kibera way or Ngomongo way---

Hon. Speaker: Order, Hon. Member! Order, Hon. Majority.

Hon. Leader of Majority: There are so many ways of killing a rat.

Hon. Michael Wainaina: Point of Order, Mr. Speaker.

Hon. Speaker: Hon. Snaich, order!

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Hon. Leader of Majority: If you want to kill a rat does not mean the only way to do so is to take a *panga* or a *rungu* and beat the rat, you can also use poison. The rat will die a natural death. This is going to be our way because I discussed it with the Executive in charge of Planning and he told me he's going to give them notice. Until they remove the barriers we are not going to rest in this House. I think there was a Hon. Member who was on a Point of Order to challenge that I used the name Kariobangi. All the thieves who are stealing in these areas come from Kariobangi.

(Laughter) (Loud consultations)

Hon. Michael Wainaina: Point of Order, Mr. Speaker.

Hon. Speaker: Hon. Leader of Majority, Hon. Snaich, order! Hon. Thuo.

Hon. Member for Karura Ward(Mr. Kamau Thuo): Thank you Mr. Speaker. I appreciate the answer that has been delivered by the Leader of Majority but I must tell him that I represent a civilized society. I am sure with time this message will sink into the mind of the Runda Association Committee and they will pull those barriers away from the road. I might not raise this issue here again but what I know is this issue went down in the records of this County Assembly and anyone can go to court and ask that the resolution of the County Assembly be implemented to the letter. Thank you.

Hon. Speaker: Very well Hon. Thuo, Hon. Hon. Rachael Kamweru.

RESPONSE ON REQUEST FOR STATEMENT ON GENDER INEQUALITY IN THE LEADERSHIP OF THE HOUSE

Hon. Rachael Kamweru(Nominated Member): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. A week ago I requested a Statement on gender inequality and the then Speaker of the day told me that I will get the reply today. (Hon. Speaker consults with the Clerk)

Hon. Rachael Kamweru: I was told I will get the reply today regarding the gender inequality of the House in Committees and in the leadership and management of this House under your leadership. Thank you.

Hon. Leader of Majority: Mr. Speaker?

Hon. Speaker: Yes

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Hon. Leader of Majority: I think the Hon. Member is a Hon. Member of this House. There is no County that is just going to be run by an agenda of gender all the time. Unless we are bankrupt of ideas because all the time it is gender, gender.

(Laughter)

Hon. Leader of Majority: You are in all these Committees. Just go and pass a vote of no confidence against the Chairman you don't want then you just take those positions. These are elective posts so I don't know how you can just dish them out.

Hon. Speaker: Hon. Leader of Majority, you are out of order because----

Hon. Leader of Majority: Mr. Speaker, I think I am in order.

(Loud consultations)

Hon. Speaker: Order, Members! Order!

(Loud consultations)

Hon. Speaker: Order! The Statement sought by Hon. Rachael Kamweru was indeed legit. *(Applause)*

Hon. Speaker: The Implementation Chairperson, by Wednesday 2:30 p.m. we require you to bring us an answer on the gender issue as per the question asked.

(Applause)

Hon. Leader of Majority: Thank you, Mr. Speaker, for giving me that position because I am good at it.

(Laughter)

Hon. Leader of Majority: On Wednesday I think I am going to bring a very concrete answer.

Hon. Speaker: Very well.

Hon. Leader of Majority: It will just be the same thing that I am talking about today. Just expect---You know what you are expecting on that day. You already know the answer. The person who is asking about the gender something is already in a caucus. That threshold is too big.

(Loud consultations)

Hon. Speaker: Hon. Members, Order! I have issued an order that on Wednesday at 2: 30 p.m. Hon. Rachael Kamweru's Statement will be on the floor of the House.

(Applause)

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CHAIR

Hon. Speaker: Hon. Members, a few minutes ago the Hon. Leader of Majority gave a statement in regard to the removal of barriers in Runda estate. It has come to my attention that in today's Star Newspaper the Runda residents are resisting removal of the barriers. I know the Star journalists are here in this House today and I want to make it very clear that we are not at war with Runda Residents Association. This House is at war with an Association that is discriminatory in nature. I want to tell them here now that the County Assembly of Nairobi passed a resolution that those barriers - or in better language understandable by the so called Runda Resident Association- is that we do not want any discriminatory form of barriers on the road leading through the estate from either Kiambu Road or Limuru Road or vice versa. Therefore, we are not at war the way I see it put in the newspaper where it says the MCA plans to remove the barriers. It is not the MCA, It is the County Assembly that has said the barriers should go.

(Applause)

Hon. Speaker: This is a message that should go to the County Executive in charge of Roads and Works. Hon. Leader of Majority before we go to mass action, what we need is that on Tuesday at 2:30 p.m. we want an answer on whether they've been removed or not, or whether there is a party in the Executive who has interest in the Runda Association. The people of Runda should know that Runda is like any other estate in Nairobi.

(Applause)

Hon. Speaker: I want to tell them Runda is not a colony, Runda must abide by the laws and bylaws of the County Government, if not the defunct City Hall by-laws. The continued threats to the Member of the County Assembly for Karura is unacceptable. They should know that if anything happens to the Member they will be held squarely responsible. I thank you.

(Applause)

Hon. Speaker: Next Order.

MOTIONS

MOTION FOR COUNTY GOVERNMENT TO ESTABLISH INTER-WARD SPORTS COMPETITIONS

Hon. Member for Laini Saba Ward(Mr. Boniface Kitavi): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. That aware that thousands of youth in Nairobi City County have different sports talents and skills. Further aware that the unemployment rate continues to rise leading to many anti-social criminal activities, idleness and frustrations that undermine the stability of the economy of the County. **Concerned** that the youth in sports within the County do not have well-structured avenues where they can exercise their sports talent and skills in order to earn a living; **noting** that talent in sports is a source of income to the individual as well as revenue to the County; this Assembly **urges** the County Government to establish inter-Ward sports competitions for the youth in the County which can act as an avenue to scout for talented youth in sports.

It is common knowledge that the value of sports cannot be underrated by anybody. Sports keep young people healthy and fit and it is an engagement that is beneficial not only to their bodies but even to their minds. For a very long time the young people of this County have been largely ignored and coupled with the myriad of cases of unemployment, young people don't have any meaningful engagement in their day to day life. As we all are aware sports is a useful means not only of entertainment but of physical activity that will go a long way in enhancing the character of young people in this County. I want to urge my fellow Members, my colleagues, to support this Motion so that we can have well-structured sporting activities in our Wards for our young people.

You know, engaging in sports young people will be able to maintain their mental balance. Again, more than ever in this County we need cohesion and sports is the avenue that is able to promote our social cohesion and make the youth develop a sense of friendliness amongst themselves. This County to date does not have a clear structured policy or any activities that are really focused towards young people so at this moment in time I will ask this County to really focus on issues of sports. If sports is well structured it can also be commercialized where young people can start earning income because it is a means of income. Not only that; we all know that sports has brought a lot of fame and even wealth to some of our brothers in this County notwithstanding the fact that this County does not have enough open spaces where young people can engage in sports.

It is high time that this County starts restructuring and developing the already existing open spaces for young people to be able to cultivate their talents in sports. Sports will bring harmony; it will bring peace and social cohesion. Mr. Speaker sir, you are well known as a person who loves sports. Some years ago I used to read in the media that you used to support football. I am looking towards a day and time where we shall have Nairobi County trophy, or a day when we shall have Magelo Cup where youth will compete to get that trophy. We are all aware all work and no play makes Jack, Jack *Wetu*, a dull boy.

(Applause) (Laughter)

Hon. Boniface Kitavi: So, without much ado, I want to welcome one of the finest footballers we have in this County, an energetic young *Mheshimiwa* to come and second this Motion. Michael Wainaina alias Snaich, please come and second. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Hon. Wainaina: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Thank you my able Hon. Member. Before I second this Motion I would just like the Leader of Majority to know that Kariobangi is not a place where you can get thieves. Majority Leader, there is no Ward in the whole of this County which has more banks than in Kariobangi. Those people who stay in Runda and Karen work in Kariobangi light industry. Kariobangi is somewhere very safe and you cannot find thieves. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

As I am seconding this Motion and as my friend has said, yes we have a football team in this County where I am also a player. I will be very happy if we form inter-Wards football and other sports. Through these sporting events we will be able to realize talent in our young boys and girls. On the same, we are not only looking at football, we also have boxing, table tennis and other sports. I urge the Nairobi City County to also equip the social halls because if you can remember some years back the likes of Wangila also came from *Mashinani*. If we are going to equip the sports - that is football, boxing and other games - we are also going to create jobs and realize talent which will help our young people.

On the same, we have the school playgrounds, they also need to be upgraded because even the school going children need to also have very good playing grounds where they can realize their dreams, as we see Oliech and the others doing. I rest my case and I am seconding the Motion.

Hon. Speaker: Hon. Members, I now propose the question.

(Question proposed)

Hon. Speaker: Hon. Members, Hon. Kennedy Oduru.

Hon. Kennedy Oduru: Thank you, Mr. Speaker sir. I stand to support the Motion with the following reasons. As a sportsman I think it is very important for our County to venture into this. This will help our people, our youth from the grassroots level to form these social cooperation clubs where for example my club in Lucky Summer Ward might compete with other Wards of the strong men such as Kileleshwa---

Hon. Chief Whip of Minority(Mr. Hashim Kamau): Point of clarification.

Hon. Speaker: Point of what?

Hon. Chief Whip of the Minority: Point of Clarification.

Hon. Speaker: There is a point of clarification.

Hon. Kennedy Oduru: No, no, no.

Hon. Speaker: Order, Hon. Sirikal.

Hon. Chief Whip of the Minority: Mr. Speaker, just a clarification. For my knowledge, is there a team in Kileleshwa by the way? I just wanted to confirm because there has never been a club from Kileleshwa.

(Loud consultations)

Hon. Kennedy Oduru: Mr. Speaker sir, we are just debating and we are just taking an example of other teams even from the Deputy Whip's Ward. We will have strong men and my strong people will defeat them. It is just an example. From our Wards we will merge to form a Nairobi County football club which will compete with other clubs such as Gor Mahia, AFC Leopards and others. Out of these inter-Ward competitions our young talented boys will be gifted. They will even be international players who will earn out of that. I am very much in support of this, thank you Mr. Speaker sir.

Hon. Karen Githaiga(Nominated Member): Point of Information.

Hon. Speaker: Hon. Karen.

Hon. Karen Githaiga: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Can I contribute as I make my Point of Information?

Hon. Speaker: Yes please, go ahead.

Hon. Karen Wanjiku: Thank you very much. He has said boys. Youth here will mean both boys and girls. Thank you, Mr. Speaker, for giving me this opportunity to support this Motion. He has said boys, youths here means both boys and girls. Thank you, Mr. Speaker sir, for giving me the opportunity to support this Motion. Sports promote cohesion and culture diversity and good health. So when we go and exercise, the ladies go for netball and the men go for football we will know that we are not very healthy because we have not been exercising. Sports promote health and this will reduce the amount of money we use as a County to take people to Health Centers and others.

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Also as my able Chairman has said, we know that many sports fields have been grabbed and our youth need these grounds. Also, in our Constitution, Chapter 55 says that our youths should be promoted economically and socially. It is high time we came up with a Bill to promote inter-Wards sports. Mr. Speaker sir, Thank you very much.

Hon. Speaker: Thank you. Hon Adow.

Hon. Member for Eastleigh North Ward(Mr. Osman Adow): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I am also here to support this Motion and you may not believe it I used to run Cross Country (*Laughter*) and we used to do a lot of school sports at secondary level. I don't know whether it is still there but those days I think all high schools in Nairobi used to compete in soccer, running, basketball and all that can be enhanced.

In my Ward you cannot find any fields nearby where you can kick a ball. However, we have several public schools which have fields and they charge fees when the youth use them. I think those fees can be done away with so that the youth can use the public schools playing grounds for free. Thank you.

Hon. Speaker: Hon Chief Whip of Majority.

Hon. Member for Karen Ward (Mr. David Mberia): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I rise to support this Motion. I also brought a similar one to empower youths and it was shouted down by these Hon. Members, but I believe today they are going to support this Motion from Hon. Kitavi.

Mr. Speaker, as a County we have our own Stadium which is Nairobi City County Stadium and it is well carpeted. This Motion is very timely but I want to concur with Hon. Karen that we want to create diversity since you know football has no tribalism. Sport has no tribe and the division in this House----When we start these Inter-Wards sports activities I think it will bring a lot of warmth in this House. Therefore, we are not going to say that we are going to deal with football only; we have netball, basketball and other athletics. Mr. Speaker sir, in my Karen Ward I have 11 football clubs and I am a patron of five of them. I am a footballer by profession *(Laughter)* I play number 3. Mr. Speaker sir, this is also a way of creating employment.

(Loud consultations)

Hon. Speaker: Order! There is nothing wrong with Hon Mberia being a footballer.

Hon. David Mberia: Mr. Speaker, of course even in Meru County we have Mafuko bombers. This is also way of creating employment and we are going to invite Kenya Premier League with all the other clubs, to come and scout. Mr. Speaker sir, we are going to invite the FKF, with all Premier League to come

and scout because our boys play at the District level and some of these big clubs don't recognize the small leagues.

Mr. Speaker sir, if we have an integrated steward organization we will be able to invite football officials like Nyamwea and other coaches to come and scout and make sure that these boys and girls are integrated in big clubs like Gor, AFC, Sofapaka and eventually they will be able to get the opportunity to join the National team which is Harambee Stars and in that way we are going to create jobs for these boys and girls. So I beg to support the Motion and ask that we make sure that is implemented. Mr. Speaker sir, the leader of Majority - who is the Implementation Committee Chairman - and I hope it will see the light of day. Thank you.

Hon. Speaker: Hon. Leader of Majority and then Hon. Jack Wetu.

Leader of Majority: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. There are some responses I got when I talked to somebody from Kariobangi but I don't want to report on those ones. Mr. Speaker, I want to support the Motion as I am a talented footballer *(Laughter)* I used to play number 11 and number 9 so as you see me here I am not just a small potato. It is only that there are challenges like we do not know how we are going to get these fields because they are already grabbed by Hon. Members here.

Hon. Speaker: Who where are they?

Hon. Leader of Majority: Mr. Speaker, they have already gone, the land grabbers are not here in the House. Let us just have these talented young boys and girls and we must allocate a place where they are going to hone their talents. If they continue grabbing these fields where are people going to play? Land grabbers are here and even yesterday they were going to fight---

They see a small piece of land somewhere and they want to swoop and take it. Even this side of Githurai, Kahawa, this Ward where the Safari Park is, Roysambu, there are many public utilities in those Wards but you see somebody pretending here that they are rich because of those field. You see somebody pretending and walking like a tycoon because of those fields. So it is high time we ask these people to surrender those fields back to the County of Nairobi for us to have the fields for these young boys and girls to play on.

It is only the Ward of Hon. Njoroge Kairu which has land because there is a field there where people can play right now. However, everywhere else even in Kariobangi Light Industries the land has gone, but in Kileleshwa they have public utilities. So, it is high time you Members do us good in this House by surrendering those grabbed lands for us to get a place where these people can play. I rest my case from there.

Hon Speaker: Hon. Jack Wetu and then Hon. Akinyi

Hon. Member for Githurai Ward (Mr. Jackson Ngare): Thank you, Mr. Speaker sir. I rise to support this Motion and as the Mover of this Motion has said, all work without play makes Jack an idle boy. I accept this and it is in order. On that note, I thought that we are supposed to be having a gym here that is unsex so that we are be able to stretch our bodies so that we don't become the dull Jacks'.

Mr. Speaker sir, if you look at the Nairobi County you will find that economically, even if you go to KRA, you will find that a lot of revenue is collected from Kariobangi, Githurai, Huruma, Dandora, Embakasi, those sides.

So it is good if we have these kind of athletic competitions so that on these special days when we have these competitions the communities of Kileleshwa and Runda can come there and pay fees so that at least we can get something from them. Because if you look at Kileleshwa it is actually just like a big bedroom and nothing comes from there except children. *(Laughter)*

Mr. Speaker sir, if you look at most of these guys, I am a big size but they are bigger than me *(Laughter)* So this is a very good way of balancing Nairobi economically. Let us have these people also bring in some money through those sponsorships. Thank you, Mr. Speaker sir.

Hon Speaker: Hon. Jack, did you say that what comes from Kileleshwa is only children? (*Laughter*)

Hon. Jackson Ngare: Mr. Speaker sir, it is a resting place and when you rest there is something that comes from resting points.

(Laughter)

Hon. Leader of Majority: Point of Order.

Hon Speaker: A Point of Order from the Hon Leader of Majority.

Hon Leader of Majority: Mr. Speaker, I think the contribution of Kileleshwa in this County if you can compare it with slums and shanties is those who are paying the big rates in Nairobi County are coming from Kileleshwa. Mr. Speaker you should protect Kileleshwa here as you are also staying in Kileleshwa (*Laughter*) you should protect Kileleshwa by all means, the people who are contributing what you are eating in this Assembly are coming from Kileleshwa. In fact, are you people paying any rates? You are just doing Jua Kali. The people of Kileleshwa must be respected.

(Consultations)

Hon Speaker: Order, Hon. Members. Hon. Moha.

Hon. Abdi Mohammed (Nominated Member): Thank you, Mr. Speaker sir. I am in support of the Motion and as has been said by Hon. Leader of Majority, we have no space. We need to come and collaborate with institutions like schools and other private institution which have land to offer. We also need to partner with companies who are good in sponsoring sports like in football and boxing. So, we cannot just tie our hands and say that there is no space when we can collaborate with such companies. Also, Mr. Speaker sir, we need to do a case study on the facilities that we have as a County so that they can be repaired. Thank you.

Hon. Speaker: Hon. Njoroge Kairu.

Hon. Member for Woodley/Kenyatta Golf Course(Mr. Njoroge Kairu): Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker sir. Allow me to second the Motion and say that it is somehow late because I can remember *Bwana* Governor gave a directive a few months ago that the youth should be allowed to be using the primary schools that we have to play football. So, what we need to do is to look for ways to put mechanisms in place to empower our youth and the important thing about this is we will be able to reduce drug addiction in our youth.

If you look at our youth starting from the primary level, most of them have become drug addicts and if we can start these sports clubs they will be able to eliminate those kinds of things. So, Mr. Speaker, my advice to the Mover of the Motion is to find ways to raise funds so that these competitions can be started immediately to help our youth. Thank you.

Hon. Speaker: Hon. Akinyi and then Hon. Alexina.

Hon. Member for Kayole South(Ms. Elizabeth Manyala): Thank you, Mr. Speaker sir. I rise to support the Motion, it is quite timely. I sit on the Labour Committee whose mandate includes sports in this County and even today we had the privilege of visiting one of our facilities in the County which is City Stadium and we realized that the place is unutilized. If this Motion comes to pass we will ensure that the youth are engaged, because our youth are idle and because they are idle they tend to venture into very bad company. Like in the area I represent we had the Gaza Boys and we feel that the past political system did not plan with them in mind.

So they have ventured into gangs extorting money from Nairobians. We can mitigate that by coming up with these sports so that they can have exchange programmes in terms of football, netball, table tennis, squash, boxing and others within the social halls which some Wards have and they can start by using those ones. If in your Ward you do not have a facility like a playground because of the poor planning which has emanated from the past political systems that we had, you can still collaborate as a policy maker from this House with schools so that you network and collaborate with them so that these youth can practice there in the afternoon.

However, you sign an MOU that you will protect those facilities because as you are aware primary and secondary has not been devolved to the County. So they are not ours, vis a vis the ECD's which we are just trying to come up with. So, once we collaborate well with them and we build synergy together then the youth will feel like a part of us. We will come up with carrots that we will dangling so that will ensure that we pick the best within the County. In every quarter or after every six months we can have a competition which brings all the Wards together in a city stadium where the inter sub-County's will be able to compete. From there we as a County will be able to select a linear team. They can also join the national team like Harambee Stars which in the future can be compared to the national team of Germany which won the World Cup recently or Brazil because studies show that they all began like that.

Apart from that we can also map other stakeholders who are in these teams like Ligi Ndogo so that they share with us how they started nurturing these early talents by identifying the youth from our Wards. Then we can at least come up with a one stop shop where we can be a force to reckon with.

Once Nairobi County is recognized for doing that, other County's will also come and visit us, pay homage and will duplicate the good practices that they will have seen from us so that they can go and implement in other County's'. In that regard I beg to support. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Hon. Speaker: Very well. Hon. Hashim.

Hon. Chief Whip of Minority(Mr. Hashim Kamau): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I know Hon. Alexina and *wakili* want to speak but we are running out of quorum. I have not said we do not have a quorum, I am saying that we are running out of quorum and I was requesting that you call the Mover to reply. Before that, Mr. Speaker, I am a living example of what sports have done. Mr. Speaker, sports made me popular and that popularity has led to what I am today. It is because of that popularity that I was elected in 1997 as a councillor. Mr. Speaker, I request that the Mover do reply.

Hon. Speaker: We will have Hon. Alexina and then we will call the Mover.

Hon. Member for Kabiro Ward(Ms. Alexina Mudy): Mr. Speaker, sir, before I take on what I want to say, I am kindly requesting that the you speak to the Majority Leader not to intimidate me on the floor. Mr. Speaker, thank you very much. Unfortunately, what I wanted to say has been preempted but I will not miss having something to say regarding this. When we say sports we have to talk about sports as all round and inclusive. I heard one of the Hon. Members telling the floor that we people of Kariobangi come up with the sports and the people of Runda and Kileleshwa will only come as spectators to give us---

Mr. Speaker, I completely agree with that one but I want to say that when we talk about the Kileleshwa/Runda products, they have their style of sports, they may not be very good in football, netball, boxing, name it, but you will realize that when it comes to table tennis, scrabble, ajua and darts, they are the best and all those things are just about sports. When we speak of sports I have come to realize that most of the Hon. Members on the floor are talking about 'we need the grounds', 'we need the field' but Mr. Speaker, with due respect we all know that sports is not only on an open ground. Boxing, squash, table tennis are in-house things. So when we talk of all these things where are we considering, for these people who are in these sports, where are they going to practice from? Are we going to talk about sports selectively leaving others outside sports? That is a question that maybe the Hon. Members will answer.

Mr. Speaker, with due respect I rise to support this Motion but I want to say this before I finish. Today we had a site visit at the city stadium, we went round and we saw a lot and it is quite unfortunate as we speak here today that we want to support the youth, we want to make sure that we stand with them, they are already youth who are there giving their time and doing their practice, going into the competitive process and no one is standing with them since the year 1998. This is confirmed and we are coming up with that report as a Labour Committee.

(Consultations between the Speaker and Clerk)

Hon. Alexina Mudy: Mr. Speaker, I beg for your attention, thank you. Mr. Speaker, there are complaints from the people who are already on the ground today. They even go out of this country and they need to be flagged, considered and they need to be recognized and to give them that morale--- Like somebody actually mentioned when Kisia was on the floor, he gave them 5 million Shillings when they were going out and they did their best and this gave them the morale to really do the sports all round, they came with all the trophies and we gave them 10 million which they shared among themselves, especially the job seekers. Since then the sports in this Nairobi County especially, it is not going to move unless we give these people morale.

I know that there are no jobs, I understand it is not easy to employ everybody on the ground but at least out of the 10 if you can give 2 at least this will be an encouragement to the 8 to say, let me stick around, let me put in my effort so as to win to get a job tomorrow. I stand here to support this Motion, Mr. Speaker, but we need to implement what we say, not just to talk and push it under the carpet. Thank you.

Hon. Speaker: Thank you, Hon. Alexina. Before I call the Mover of the Motion to reply, Hon. Jack *wetu* is asking for a gym. Our Clerk is working round the clock so that we can have a place where we can have our own gym. Hon. Members, I now call the Mover of the Motion to reply.

Hon. Member for Makongeni(Hon. Peter Inwatok): Thank you, Mr. Speaker sir. Thank you for that good news that a gym is just about to come for Hon. Members. Mr. Speaker, in the history of this County and rarely has a Motion received such overwhelming support and I want to thank my colleagues for

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supporting this Motion overwhelmingly so that we can be able to support our young people with sporting activities. If you observe Kenyans carefully when they are watching our country, Kenya, participate in international sports, you will see the kind of joy and pride and patriotism that is manifested in Kenyans. I am sure that this County can produce great sportsmen and women from this County of Nairobi just the same way we used to have people like Kipchoge Keino, Tecla Lorupe, Dennis Oluoch, Robert Wangila, Joe Kadenge, David Rudisha. The list goes on and on, including Hashim Kamau and the little know Elias Otieno who was playing number 13 outside the field----

(Laughter)

Hon. Leader of Majority: (Inaudible)

Hon. Speaker: Order, Hon. Leader of Majority. Hon. Chairperson, he was playing number 11 not number 13.

(Laughter)

Hon. Peter Imwatok: Sorry, Mr. Speaker, you know number 11 and number 13 are the same. They are the ones who bring the ball when it goes out of the field so that is the way I used to think. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Hon. Speaker: Hon. Members, I now put the question.

(The question is put and agreed to)

Hon. Speaker: Hon. Karen Wanjiku.

Hon. Member for Njiiru(Ms. Karen Githaiga): Mr. Speaker, we have no quorum in this House.

Hon. Speaker: Clerk, can the bell be rung.

(The bell is rung for 8 minutes)

Hon. Speaker: Hon. Members; and this is to the Leader of the Majority. You are supposed to look into structures on Airport Road, Transami, so can we have the report on Tuesday, 2.30 p.m. Thank you very much, the House adjourns until Tuesday, 2.30 p.m. I thank you.

(The House rose at 5.30 p.m.)