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(Hon Speaker Mr. Alex Ole Magelo on the Chair)

### PRAYERS

### PAPERS

**Hon. Member for Harambee Ward** (Mr. Ronald Milare): Mr. Speaker sir, pursuant to Standing Order No 186, I beg to lay the following paper on the table of Assembly today Tuesday, 24<sup>th</sup> February, 2015; Report on the Sectoral Committee on Culture and Community Services on the inspection visit to Macmillan Library.

**Hon. Karen Wanjiku** (Nominated Member): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Pursuant to Standing Order No. 186, I beg to lay the following paper on the table of the Assembly today Tuesday, 24<sup>th</sup> February, 2015; Report of the Sectoral Committee on Health Services on the inspection visit to Mbagathi District Hospital.

**Hon Speaker:** Very well, Hon. Karen Wanjiku.



## NOTICES OF MOTION

**Hon. Majority Chief Whip** (Mr. David Mberia): Mr. Speaker sir, I beg to give notice of the following Motion. THAT, this Assembly adopts the Report on the Sectoral Committee on Culture and Community Services on the inspection visit to Macmillan Library; laid on the table of the Assembly today Tuesday, 24<sup>th</sup> February, 2015.

**Hon. Karen Wanjiku:** Hon. Speaker, I beg to give notice of the following Motion. THAT, this Assembly adopts the Report of the Sectoral Committee on Health Services on inspection visit to Mbagathi District Hospital laid on the table of the Assembly today Tuesday, 24<sup>th</sup> February, 2015.

## STATEMENTS

**Hon. Speaker:** Thank you. We do not have Statements? But you have not come to the Speaker's--

**Hon. Majority Chief Whip:** Mr. Speaker---

**Hon. Speaker:** Order! Hon. Chief Whip.

**Hon Majority Chief Whip:** Thank you Mr. Speaker. I think you remember sometime around May last year, I had asked for a Statement regarding the land in Karen which had disputes between Karen Health Centre and the PCEA Church. The Committee brought a response which was wanting and they said that they were to go back to the Executive for more details since May last year. I sought for another Statement last year about the land where Masai's--- I remember you took me there when demolition was being done. Mr. Speaker, I want the Chairman of Planning and Housing Committee, and I know there are several Statements from Members just pending from this particular Committee.

When we were elected to represent the people, my duty is to seek for answers on the floor of this House, but almost a year down the line, the people of Karen are asking me *Mheshimiwa*, we want to put up a maternity wing on this piece of land; the church just comes with impunity and currently they are building on that particular plot which has no documents. Who approves such developments without proper papers and what happens to such statement? If this Committee is incompetent, I think it is supposed to be disbanded or dissolved for that matter because it is not me alone who is complaining. I have no interest in that particular land; it is a public land belonging to the Hospital. If he wants a referendum to be taken to ask the people of Karen whether they want a church or a hospital, I know they will say they want a hospital.

I want an undertaking from this Committee as to when the two Statements will be tabled in this House because am getting tired. My people want answers and if the Committee has failed, it is not the House which has failed but the Members of this Committee. I want an undertaking now, I rest my case.

**Hon. Speaker:** Hon Ochar.

**Hon. Member for Korogocho Ward** (Mr. Maxwell Ochieng Ochar): Mr. Speaker, thank you. First of all, I think the Member is not sincere because this morning, we had the CEC for Planning. We discussed the issues at length because it is true the first question has taken a lot of time but it was answered in this House and you know what derails us is the decree of the President which we cannot go over. Where can you go with the decree of the President Mr. Speaker?

**Hon. Speaker:** Order! Hon Mberia, please!

**Hon. Maxwell Ochar:** Can you let me answer you? After that Mr. Speaker, the church went to Court to authenticate that they've the title deed. What the County has done is to take them to court again because whoever did the survey was a private surveyor and he was told that we are making everything possible so that we conclude this issue. The only one he is supposed to complain about is the one for Maasai which we found out that the statement---

**Hon. Speaker:** Order Hon! Get the answer first!

**Hon. Maxwell Ochar:** If you don't want me to answer you, then I will not, unless you have something personal.

**Hon. Speaker:** Order! We want also to grasp the---

**Hon. Maxwell Ochar:** The last statement he gave here got lost in the office of the Clerk but we've followed it today because even our Clerk did not know where the statement was and now we have the statement. It is not the Committee who kept all this things and it is not the CEC, I was there with the Clerk and we've corrected all the mess. Thank you, Mr. Speaker in a week's time he will get everything.

**Hon. Speaker:** Okay. Hon. Chief Whip, sit down. Hon. Members, what Hon Ochar, the Chairperson for Planning has just told us here, can we have it in writing tomorrow 2:30pm so that we can know exactly how and what transpired in your meeting today? Point number two, the statement on the issue of the Maasai village; can we have them here also tomorrow at 2:30pm so that we can know what we are doing. When you exchange words then the Members here get lost.

Notwithstanding the fact that indeed the Chief Whip is right and most of the Members here are right, statements have been put in shelves. I have the list and I am sure that the Deputy Speaker has the same of nearly 50 pending Statements from Members. We do not know whether they are pending in the CEC's or at the Chairperson's. I think tomorrow, we will have the list brought. I am sure most Members have the list because I got it early January after asking for it. I want to know what is pending for Members.

One thing I want to tell the Chairpersons is that, the Members of the County Assembly of Nairobi are eager to know and get businesses in their respective areas through the statements. Therefore, it is

important to know because that is the only thing that is keeping them going. There is no other development apart from wanting to know this and that.

You remember we asked Hon. Alex Otieno, who is here today to bring us the name of the person who had taken land in Loresho and it is until yesterday that the Ethics and Anti-Corruption Commission moved in. It is a pity that before the County Government moves in, the Commission has moved in yet it is the property of the County Government. Honorable Members, let us be in the forefront of grasping issues that belong to us. The Chairperson of the Liaison Committee is listening. Chairperson, come and tell us who is not giving you information? Why is the information not flowing? So I think that after we will have gone to the House Business Committee. I will bring that list so that we can know what to do. I want to thank you Hon. Members.

**Hon. Majority Chief Whip:** Mr. Speaker, it is not my duty to attend the Committee on Planning because I am not a Member. I popped into the Committee room and I sought to be answered. I was not invited by the Chairman; I took myself to the Committee. The Chairman is trying to mislead the House by saying that the President gave the land to the church. Mr. Speaker, there is nowhere in writing where the President of this Country gave out this land. I came here to represent the issues of the people of Karen and not my own. Currently on this particular land, there is construction going on. I told the Committee to table the ownership documents ---

**Hon. Speaker:** Order! We have been told --- Order!

**Hon. Majority Chief Whip:** Let me finish, the Chairman said that there is only one statement for me, Mr. Speaker sir

**Hon. Speaker:** Now here we want to find out. The Chairperson has just said that there are court battles so how would it be under construction? Can the Chairperson answer please.

**Hon Majority Chief Whip:** Mr. Speaker, I live in Karen for that matter. I was there yesterday---

**Hon. Speaker:** Order! Chairperson you told us the Counsel has gone to court but the Hon Chief Whip is saying that there is some construction going on. Is that true?

**Hon. Maxwell Ochar:** Mr. Speaker, we had the CEC for Planning before us and he was there. There is a letter which was written to that church stating that nothing should go on until they complete their case. I personally do not have interest in that land. I am living in Korogocho. Mr. Speaker the matter must be put to the Members here because when he says the Planning Committee has failed and yet there is nowhere we are going to get those documents without passing through the CEC. Why is he personalizing these issues? You have said that we bring everything in writing tomorrow and that is final.

**Hon. Speaker:** Yes at 2:30 p.m. We go on to another--- Hon. Chief Whip.

**Hon. Majority Chief Whip:** Mr. Speaker with all due respect to the Chairman, he said he lives in Korogocho, I live in Karen and I was there yesterday. The PCEA has fenced off the plot with iron sheets

and construction is going on. Can the Committee commit itself to go to Karen and report to this House if there is construction going on in that particular property? It is not my property. It is the property of the health center.

**Hon. Speaker:** Hon. Alex Otieno

**Hon. Member for Mugumoini Ward** (Mr. Alex Otieno): Thank you Mr. Speaker sir. I think Hon. Mberia is just right. If you can remember the case of Langata Road Primary School that you can be taken round with the same officers, had it not been for my own ways to save that particular school, it would have already gone. Whatever is happening here all these people know and may I tell Hon. Chairman Planning that if he is not careful with these same officers he will be taken round and---

**Hon. Speaker:** Order! Hon. Members, Chairperson, Order Chief Whip!

**Hon. Alex Otieno:** Can you protect me, Mr. Speaker. Let them sit apart. Mr. Speaker sir, what I am trying to say is that you will go to those offices and they will tell you that they have stopped the construction but when you go there practically, you will find construction going on. In the Langata case, I had all the documentation signed by the same officers and yet on the approval of the construction there was a clause that states that; 'in case a land has a dispute then it should not get approval' but in this particular case they gave the approval. I am just trying to assist my colleague Hon. Ochar to be careful as they can make him cheat this House. The Chief Whip had asked a question before this floor and the answer should come before the same. Whatever they were discussing outside the floor is between him and the Chief whip but the answer should come before the floor. Thank you.

**Hon. Speaker:** Hon. Members, you know some of these things are very serious. First of all, I don't want us to use the name of His Excellency the President on the floor of this House. Point number two, you, Members, very well know the people who are bringing this Assembly down. These are the happiest people because you always clash among yourselves. The officers in regard to the case of Hon. Alex Otieno, I remember I issued a very strong statement because we were communicating with Hon. Alex Otieno. I told the Governor; "If you don't remove the fence and the Members come back from holidays, we will go and do it ourselves".

Actually, the same officers who know there is a query on the floor of this House, go ahead and give out building plans of contested properties. It is a shame for us, the members, because when you want to rain on an errant officer, he gave the services for Members of the County Assembly who defend the same errant officer. But if we are together, if we are one, we will be able to fight this. From May to now, how many months are those? About seven months or six. Hon. Members, is it right for an officer who knows that there is a query on the floor of the Assembly to continue giving out building plans or even building a fence over a contested plot?

The President of the Republic of Kenya is on record saying that the County Government and the Church would sort out the problem. Those were his words and I have the press cutting in the office for your reference if you want to. So, what I am going to say here is; Chairperson, Hon. Ochar, in the morning,

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move with your Committee. If you need me to approve your going, I will approve when we go back to the office. You move there and find out if the cry from Hon. Mberia is true. If yes, come back at 2:30 p.m. and tell us that indeed the property is under construction. Then from there, we take it up. Hon. Chief Whip, accompany them please. I thank you. Next order, please.

### MOTION

**Hon. Speaker:** Hon. David Mberia, you had moved the Motion and we had several speakers. Now the other speakers should start because we had Hon. David Mberia, mover, Hon. Peter Wahinya, seconder.

Motion moved, seconded and question proposed. So, it is up for debate now. You have the Motion of Hon. D. M. Mberia and it is in the Order Paper.

**Hon. Deputy Speaker:** I beg the mover of the Motion to refresh a bit the minds of the Members.

**Hon. Speaker:** Hon. D. M. Mberia. Chief Whip.

**Hon. Chief Whip:** Mr. Speaker, my idea of moving the Motion to---

**Hon. Speaker:** Can you put off your phones please? Hon. Ochola, put your phone off or you leave.

**Hon. Chief Whip:** Mr. Speaker, you know very well that in Kenya, we have a lot of heroes and heroines in different sectors. We have heroes and heroines in football, business, SACCOs, and in sports. We have our own heroes and heroines who died fighting for the liberation of this country. And in this country, as I said before, there was a precedent set before when Sandler Street which was renamed to Koinange Street and Lord Delamere Avenue was renamed to Kenyatta Avenue, amongst others. A precedent has already been set. My idea is that we don't want to see roads named as Mogadishu Road, Monrovia Road, Legos Road, Kampala Road. They have no significance to Kenyans. I don't want to be named after one.

**Hon. Speaker:** Order!

**Hon. Chief Whip:** There are many heroes and heroines who deserve better. We cannot name a road Mogadishu whereas there are great people, African Leaders like the late Nelson Mandela, the late Thomas Sankara and you know what they stood for.

**Hon. Speaker:** Order Members, Order!

**Hon. Chief Whip:** We want this County to review all these roads and rename them, Mr. Speaker sir. The other day, a road was named after the Governor in Karen. I don't want---

**Hon. Speaker:** Order!

**Hon. Chief Whip:** I don't know what happened that the road was demolished. I don't know who demolished it. We want proper mechanisms of naming these particular roads.

**Hon. Speaker:** Order Members, Order!

**Hon. Chief Whip:** Mr. Speaker, I was told to refresh the Motion. Now, it is upon the Members to support and ensure that the Nairobi County Government implements the same. Protect me from Members, Mr. Speaker sir.

We have done many Motions here since we got into this County Assembly. There is no one Motion that has been implemented by the Executive. I don't know whether we will continue bringing these Motions until 2017 because such a Motion is nice to Nairobians. We passed many but implementation has become a problem. So we beg that this time they are going to do something for Nairobi people to feel at least there is a government in place in this County. Thank you.

**Hon. Speaker:** Hon. Deputy Speaker.

**Hon. Deputy Speaker:** Mr. Speaker, I arise in support of the Motion and Hon. Karen who is supporting and already proposed that we name one of the roads as Athembo Road. I don't know who Athembo is but, I know we have Hon. Athembo in this Assembly.

Mr. Speaker, when we talk of history of the County and what it means to the Nation, today if you go to our schools you will find in their history major questions arising from historical background. You will find a teacher asking students who is the third President of the Republic of Kenya or who was the second Vice President of Kenya or fifth President of Kenya.

Mr. Speaker, I beg we take this opportunity to have roads named after one the first Governor of Nairobi, the first Speaker of Assembly of Nairobi, the first Deputy Speaker of Nairobi, and the Majority Leader of Nairobi,

*(Loud Consultations)*

**Hon. Speaker:** Order Members!

**Hon. Deputy Speaker:** Then Mr. Speaker, the Pioneer Hon. Members of Nairobi, I am reminded that we need also to name one of our roads after one, Jacob Ngwele, who is the first Clerk.

Mr. Speaker let this be extended even to estates where we have roads which we can name or give names after the 1<sup>st</sup> Hon. Members of Nairobi City County Assembly in their various Wards. I only request you Hon. Speaker that you call the Mover to reply and put in place all we have.

**Hon. Speaker:** Hon. Ogeto and then Hon---

**Hon. Member for Kilimani Ward (Mr. Moses Ogeto):** Thank you Mr. Speaker sir. I want to support this Motion but also I want to remind my Deputy Speaker----

**Hon. Speaker:** Hon. Ochola please.

**Hon. Moses Ogeto:** I want to remind my Deputy Speaker that he forgot there is also *Kalausi* group which should be named after these roads.

**Hon. Speaker:** Order! Hon. Ogeto! Order! We don't have *Kalausi*, there is no Member of County Assembly who is called *Kalausi*. Please don't bring politics here.

**Hon. Moses Ogeto:** Thank you Mr. Speaker sir, I was trying to say that there is a group in this Assembly called *Kalausi* group and *Kata Squad*, they must be upheld Mr. Speaker sir.

**Hon. Speaker:** There is a Point of Order from Hon. Ochola.

**Hon. Member for Utalii Ward (Mr. Wilson Ochola):** Mr. Speaker, I think the Member is just out to destroy the Motion of Hon. Mberia. We don't have *Kalausi* Members in this County Assembly. Can he come and clear the name of this *Kalausi* Members Mr. Speaker.

**Hon. Speaker:** Yes.

**Hon. Moses Ogeto:** Mr. Speaker sir, I am trying to say there is a group called *Kalausi* which is----

**Hon. Speaker:** Order! Hon. Member, Please go to the Motion.

**Hon. Moses Ogeto:** Mr. Speaker sir, I am within the Motion, that is why am saying in the same Motion we need to ensure that even there are some prominent people. I want to remind my Deputy Speaker that he forgot some individuals who are in this Assembly who should be included in the same list.

Mr. Speaker sir, I do believe that this Motion should be supported because there are some roads where I live which have very funny names like Menelik which we don't understand. There is also a name like Ralph Bunche, we don't understand these people.

*(Laughter)*

Mr. Speaker sir, there is also a road which is leading to State House called Dorobo Road which we don't understand. *(Laughing)* You see even my colleague who lives within the same area is saying that there is a road called Dennis Pritt Road which those colonials came and named them, but we got our



independence in 1963. We therefore need to change these roads and have prominent names of our Republic of Kenya.

Mr. Speaker sir, also there is one road which was given in Mombasa to Hon. the late son of the prominent person of this Republic of Kenya, his Excellency the former Prime Minister Raila Amollo Odinga. I want to remind my colleagues that he is the only former Prime Minister and there will be no other one after him. That is why am saying that there is one Governor from Mombasa who said that he will honor one the Late Fidel Castro Odinga by having one road there.

Mr. Speaker, I think this Motion is good for us, since there is a school which did so well and we did a fundraising, whereby there is a dormitory which is named after your name Hon. Alex Ole Magelo. We also need you to be named in this City, so that people understand that you are the first Speaker. Just as my fellow colleague has just said, Hon. Deputy Speaker who is the first Speaker in this Assembly and left a legacy where we heard that there are very many *Kalausi, Kata* squad—

**Hon. Speaker:** Order Member! Your time is up.

*(Loud Consultations)*

**Hon. Speaker:** Order Members!

**Hon. Member for Zimmerman Ward** (Mr. Pius Mbono): Mr. Speaker, I stand to support this Motion. Before the roads and streets are named after the MCAs, I want to remind the House that there are some people who are heroes and heroine who played historic roles in the formation of the present Kenya.

**Hon. Speaker:** Order!

**Hon. Pius Mbono:** Let me finish. We have people...

**Hon. Speaker:** Please listen to the Hon. Member. Honestly, Hon. Ogeto and your *Kalausi* and whatever group, please listen.

**Hon. Pius Mbono:** Please Ogeto, let me continue. There are some people who were present in the Lancaster House; people like Martin Shikuku. We also have the famous Kapenguria six. All of them like Achieng' Oneko played a historical role. So before these roads are named after the MCAs, we have these people who may in future--- our children will learn that history.

Before I conclude, there is a road in Pangani named after my father, Mbono Road. Mbono Road is there. I want to congratulate whoever came up with that name. The name Mbono is a family name and my father was a chef around 1960 in the same place, Pangani. I will take some time to dig into history where this Mbono came from, so I support the Motion.

**Hon. Speaker:** Hon. Maggie Sewe, now to the ladies.

**Hon. Margaret Sewe** (Nominated Member): Thank you Mr. Speaker sir. I wish to support this Motion and I would like to concur with Hon. Ogeto that the former Hon. Prime Minister should be considered to be named because as a matter of fact you will never change the fact that he is already a legacy who is living in this Country. Though, I wish to again disagree with *Mheshimiwa* Ogeto on *kalausi*, I think the people who should be named should be living things that are memorable. In my view *kalausi* is an amorphous thing that we don't know whether it is living or dead.

I wish to talk here on the gender issue when it comes to naming of roads and streets and any other building. We have renowned women who have performed really well in this Country and if you can agree with me, majority of the roads and streets named after men and women are ignored in one way or the other. We have the likes of Prof. Wangari Maathai who really championed the conservation of environmental issues and was given an international award. It's important that we recognize such women and put them in that order.

We have Tegla Lorupe, who has really succeeded in sports, the first woman Member of Parliament, Mrs. Grace Onyango and lately we have Lupita Nyong'o who had won the Oscar awards.

**Hon. Speaker:** Order Hon. Janet!

**Hon. Margaret Sewe:** Mr. Speaker sir, the list is long but we have history, facts and figures. We are a Country which likes to forget about history and distort depending on our standing or where we sit at any particular time. Let's go back to history, get facts and figures, get the best heroes and heroines in that order and let us name these streets. Let's consider women in this also. I support.

**Hon. Speaker:** Hon. Zulfa. We are going to the ladies.

**Hon. Zulfa Hakim** (Nominated Member): Thank you Mr. Speaker sir. Let me start by correcting my colleague as much as I stand here to support this Motion. I want to let Hon. Sewe know that Tegla Lorupe Road is already there. It's in South B, I think Manoah can attest to that. In line with this particular Motion, it's apparent that we have ignored our heroes and heroines in this Country. We cannot name a better hero than Margaret Kenyatta with her Beyond Zero Campaign. She is contributing a lot to this country, not only to Nairobi but the country at large and she deserves one road and so do you, as the first Speaker of Nairobi County. I think it's going to really go in line with history to have the first personalities who served as the first County Government in the new dispensation.

Not only that, we also have sports personalities. We also have people who have sacrificed their lives and I don't think we need Accra Road, Mogadishu Road and such roads. We need to actually recognize these people. I am calling upon the relevant Committee; I think it should be Culture to come up with a list of proper names in time for implementing this particular Motion. It is a very serious matter and that is one thing that our history can be written in golden ink. Mr. Speaker, thank you.

**Hon. Speaker:** Hon. Bishop Abuka and then Hon. Kambi.

**Hon. William Abuka** (Nominated Member): I want to sincerely thank you Mr. Speaker for giving me this opportunity to discuss this very important Motion brought by our excellent brother Hon. David Mberia. I want, without sounding repetitive, to really emphasize the fact that this is a very important Motion. In as much as we want to appreciate, recognize and really honor those living and the ones that have slept, brothers and sisters who have contributed immensely to the development of this country. We are not lost to the fact that Kenyans have for reasons that we cannot explain time not being on our side really fallen in love with foreign things and foreign names. This is why I am putting a lot of emphasis and treating this Motion as a very important one.

The spirit we are demonstrating today is the spirit of loving your own, appreciating your own, respecting and honoring your own. Kenyans have bought chairs and spoons from everywhere even forgetting the fact that we have the *juakali* who are manufacturing very high quality things. Instead of appreciating our own, buying from our own people, empowering our own folk, we buy from foreign. I think this Motion is a pointer to the fact that we need to come back to our senses and appreciate our own. In addition to naming roads and streets and letting other people know that we respect them, I think time has come when Kenyans and especially beginning from Nairobi which is the capital City, that we can appreciate our own even by buying locally manufactured things so that our people who are working very hard can feel that at least something is happening from the leadership. For those people who are charged with the responsibility of running the government and the affairs of this County that we are putting in and investing in the lives of our own people.

I think lack of spirit is why we have been struggling for close to twelve years even with a National dress code. There is no Kenyan National dress because we love foreign. Foreign names, foreign dress, foreign everything. That is why we even let the Uhuru car die because we love foreign. I think this Motion is a very important one. I really want to appreciate the Chief Whip for bringing this. I have worked in this country. I have built peace. I am the pioneer of peace building. I am the first bishop to attend the Kenya School of Military Studies on peace building in Kenya here. I have done peace building to bring reconciliation, and make people to live in peace. There's nothing wrong in a road being named after me although I would not want to fight for that now, here.

If we are going to go for things like Hurlingham, Lavington and so on and so forth. Surely, forgetting people like Hon. Bishop Dr. William Abuka, head of state commendation then what are we doing to this country?

*(Laughter)*

I think people whose names should be captured we are not lacking them, they are here. Thank you Mr. Speaker

**Hon. Member of Dandora Area II** (Mr. Stephen Murathi Kambi): *Mwanzo kabisa, ningetaka kuchukua fursa hii kumshukuru Kinara wa Bunge la Kaunti ya Nairobi kwa fursa hii. Pili, ningependa kuunga Mjadala huu mkono kwa kidete kabisa, kwa kuwa kweli uzalendo ni kitu tumekuwa tumepungukiwa nacho. Ni furaha siku ya leo kuona akina dada na ndugu ambao ni Waheshimiwa wa bunge hili wakidhamini uzalendo ule. Tatu, ningependa kukumbusha Bunge hili ya kuwa, katika Kaunti ya Mombasa, sehemu inayoitwa Nyali, kuna barabara inaitwa Kambi Road. Ni aibu sana kama mimi ninaweza kutambuliwa Kaunti ingine na hapa kwetu sitambuliwi. Kuongea ukweli, mtu anaanza kutambuliwa nyumbani, si nikweli watu wetu? Mtu anatambuliwa nyumbani.*

*Mimi ningependa barabara moja ambayo imezunguka jengo kuu hili letu la City Hall lifutiliwe jina, hata barabara kuitwa City Hall way haitusaidii, ikaitwa Kambi Way. Itakuwa na umuhimu kihistoria. Mimi ningependa katika ratiba ama orodha ya majina ambayo itakuwa ikipitishwa kabla tuweke ya Spika, Makamu wake, Kiongozi wa Wengi na wa Kiongozi wa Wachache kwa hili Bunge, mwanzo tuanze na Mheshimiwa Kambi, halafu hawa wengine wanaweza kuja wakifuata kwa ratiba kwa utaratibu. Kwa hivyo mimi nimesimama mwanzo kuunga Mjadala huu mkono. Pili nimesimama kuomba nafasi ya kwanza, hakuna mtu ameomba nafasi ya kwanza, hata mwenye huu Mswada ambaye ni Mheshimiwa Mberia wa Karen, yeye mwenyewe hajaomba hiyo fursa.*

*Kwa hivyo, mimi naomba fursa nikiwa na imani nitapatiwa fursa na msinitafutie barabara ambayo iko huko vitongojini kama Dandora ambapo kibao kitawekwa leo, kesho pengine kinaweza kikavunjwa; mjaribu kunitafutia mahali pana watu kila mara hapana pale watakuwa wakiweza kukumbuka. Pia, hizi barabara wacha ziwekwe picha zetu, tukae tukijua si jina tu. Kwa kambi kuna jeshi, kuna kambi ya chifu unajua--- ikiwekwa Murathi Kambi na picha maridadi pale, ninaweza nikalipia, picha maridadi inaweza ikawa sawa. Kwa hivyo mimi nimeomba fursa niweze kupewa nafasi ya kwanza kwa hiyo ratiba kwa sababu itakuwa aibu sana kama mimi naweza tambuliwa Mombasa na hapa kwetu sitambuliwi. Ahsanteni sana*

**Hon. Member for Parklands Ward** (Mr. Jaffer Abdulahab Kassam): Thank you Mr. Speaker. I fully support this Motion. To start with, when we joined the City Council, I came in 2008, we had some roads which were not even repaired, which were not looked after and then immediately after we named the roads we can see now KURA doing the works. So it is important for the roads to have names. It is with lot of distress that I say we tried to rename Standard Street; Standard Street is named after a newspaper known as Standard. We wanted to rename it Oginga Odinga Street but unfortunately there was lot of resistance that we keep on naming after the newspaper and our heroes have been left out. Thirdly it is with lot of regret that one of our trade unionist who fought along with other nationalist, Hon Malkiat Sigh in Ngara, the Road has been taken over, it has now disappeared and instead kiosks have been built. So I support and in addition I say the roads which have disappeared be reclaimed and our heroes be recognized. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

**Hon. Speaker:** Can I call the mover of the Motion to reply.

**Hon. Member for Mlango Kubwa Ward** (Mr. Andrew Macharia Mbau): I rise to support this Motion. Mr. Speaker, I am a pan Africanist and my mum was conceived and born during the time of Emergency, so I think having things like Mogadishu, anything that is African resonates well with our neighboring countries. I support that we should retain the names that have African meanings. Mogadishu, Kampala, anything African; Menelik, we know Menelik is a hero in this continent. On the other hand, there is a road within Nairobi that has obscene name for any Kikuyu who knows a road like Wanyee Road. I think it is the highest time we should change that name. We should rename that road and we can even name it something like the hero of multiparty, Kenneth Matiba Road. That name Wanyee is a really obscene name. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

**Hon. Speaker:** Hon Andrew, that name Wanyee is the name of one of the leading, the first developers of Dagoretti.

**Hon. Andrew Mbau:** Yes, but today you can never name a kid such name, the name to those who know what is that part of---biology It is highest time we changed that name.

**Hon. Speaker:** Hon. *Sirkal*.

**Hon. Member of Lucky Summer** (Mr. Kennedy Oduru Nyarumba): Thank you Mr. Speaker, I rise to support this Motion. It is very important so that they cannot colonize us as they used to. Here we are and we are the people, we should be given mandate. For example, in my area which is Lucky Summer, we have got several unnamed roads and I would like my name as the first person to be the MCA for the area to be recognized. So, if *Sirkal* should be named in the Ward, I will be happy, along with other MCAs here. I'm very much grateful and I support the Motion, thank you.

**Hon Speaker:** I would like to call on Tabitha, after Tabitha we shall go the---

**Hon. Nominated Member** (Ms. Tabitha Akinyi Juma): Thank you, Mr. Speaker, I stand to support the Motion and I applaud the Hon. Chief Whip for bringing this Motion to the House. It is very important that we recognize all our heroes, those who fought for the independence of the country and those who made a lot of contribution towards the great name of the nation. I would like to add that when we are naming these streets, there are few important women in this country that their names should not go unrecognized. People like Prof. Wangare Maathai should appear in that list. With those few remarks, I can see the mood of the House is in agreement, you can now call the mover to reply.

**Hon. Speaker:** I call the mover to reply.

**Hon. Majority Chief Whip:** Thank you Mr. Chairman, I take this opportunity to thank all Members for overwhelmingly supporting this Motion Mr. Speaker sir. But we have done this before, we have passed overwhelmingly many Motions but none has been implemented by the County Executive. Let us hope this time round this Motion will be of importance to the Executive arm. I hope the Committee on Implementation will take the matter up and ensure that this Motion is fully implemented and it is upon this House to appoint

a small Committee to look into the names, not ad hoc Committee, a small Committee---let heroes, current heroes without bias so that we rename. Let me disagree with my friend *Mheshimiwa* Andrew. The name Mogadishu or Accra has no importance, has nothing to show for Kenyans or Nairobians for that matter. Thank you and God bless you.

**Hon Speaker:** Hon Members, I put the question THAT, aware that naming of roads and streets is a traditional mode of honoring heroes and heroines and places in Kenya; noting that Kenyans have for years named places and roads in all towns and villages across the country in ways that bequeath honor and history; deeply concerned that this important tradition is at risk thanks to unplanned naming of key roads with places that bear no history nor significance for Kenyans, for instance Mogadishu Road, Monrovia Road, Lagos Road, Kampala Road, amongst others; further noting that road names have changed before to reflect names and places with significance to Kenyans e.g. Sadler Street was renamed Koinange Street and Lord Delamere Avenue renamed Kenyatta Avenue amongst others. This Assembly resolves that the County Government immediately review all road names with a view to changing those that carry no meaning to Nairobi residents and Kenyans at large with names of heroes, heroines and renowned places across the country.

*(Question put and agreed to)*

**Hon Speaker:** Next Order. Hon Warutere.

**Hon. Member for Roysambu Ward** (Mr. Peter Muriithi Warutere): Mr. Speaker, I have two observations to make; one, I think the issue of Quorum is coming, then I rise on Standing Order No. 74, whereby I want address you on two things:

1. The issue of money. A few of the Members wanted to travel abroad but were told that this County is broke. That is an issue I want you to address, Mr. Speaker.
2. The issue of amendments that I had brought which I believe that by the end of the day, you are going to make a judgment based on my request. I hope Rules and Procedures Committee will be able to have a sitting so that my issue can be addressed.

On the first issue, I think it is something that you can address now and the other one you will address later in the House Business. Thank you.

**Hon Speaker:** Hon Members, it is true. Thank you very much Hon. Warutere for the observation. It is to notify actually the Members that the County Assembly has no money for expenditures to Members. This is to notify you that although I will be bringing comprehensive statement tomorrow to the Assembly, the County Government has refused to remit funds to the County Assembly. Right now, as I sit here, I am panicking because there are Members who will travel to Arusha with no substantive allowances but I will give you details of what is happening.

On the other issue that Hon Warutere asked, I am happy we had one on one with him. We will be having a meeting of Rules and Procedures Committee on Thursday, 26<sup>th</sup> February 2015 at 10:00 a.m. so that we go through the request. Thank you.

**Hon. Member for Huruma Ward** (Mr. Peter Owera): Thank you, Mr. Speaker sir. We don't have Quorum in the Assembly.

**Hon. Speaker:** Thank you. Clerk, Sergeant-At-Arms please can you get to know the number. Sergeant-At-Arms, bell be rung for eight minutes.

*(Quorum bell ringing for eight minutes)*

**Hon. Speaker:** The House Business Committee to meet after the rise of the Assembly. The House adjourns until tomorrow, Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> February 2015 at 2:30 p.m.

***The House rose at 4:20 p.m.***