

#### NAIROBI CITY COUNTY ASSEMBLY

#### OFFICIAL REPORT

## Second County Assembly – Second Session

Wednesday 25th July, 2018

The House met at 2.30 p.m.

(Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker (Mr. Evans Otiso) in the Chair])

#### **PRAYERS**

Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker: Serjeant-At-Arms, please ring the Quorum Bell for 5 minutes.

(Bell is rang for 5 minutes)

## **STATEMENTS**

**Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker:** We have a statement requested by Hon. Abraham Njihia, Chairperson of Water and Sanitation regarding the crisis of water in Toi Market and Fort Jesus Estate within Woodley Ward. Do we have the response to that?

**Hon. Abraham Njihia:** Hon. Speaker, I am not requesting for the statement today but I am bringing a new statement today. If you would allow me perhaps I can go through it?

Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker: Okay. Is this a new statement?

Hon. Abraham Njihia: Hon. Speaker, it is a new statement. Can I go ahead and read it?

Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker: Proceed.

**Hon. Abraham Njihia:** Thank you, Hon. Speaker. Hon. Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order 145(2)(c)(1) I wish to request for a statement from the Chairperson of the sectoral Committee on Water and Sanitation regarding the disconnection of the water supply to Toi Market and Fort Jesus Estate within Woodley Ward.

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Hon. Speaker, the Nairobi City Water and Sewerage Company has without prior notice disconnected water in the aforementioned areas thus effectively stalling activities ran by residents and entrepreneurs in the area and in its environs. Hon. Speaker, without clean water residents of the said areas are at a great risk of contracting diseases such as cholera and this has in turn pushed them into the hands of unscrupulous water vendors who are capitalizing on the scarcity of the commodity to rip off the distressed residents.

Hon. Speaker, a spot check indicates that water bills have been promptly settled and that no outstanding arrears are owed to the company by any residents of Fort Jesus Estate and traders at Toi Market. Hon. Speaker, in the statement the Chairperson should enquire into and report on:

- 1. The rationale behind the disconnection;
- 2. When the residents and traders will be reconnected back to the water supply lines; and
- 3. Measures put in place to caution the residents and traders from future arbitrary disconnection.

Thank you, Hon. Speaker.

Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker: The Chair for Water and Sanitation.

Hon. Paul Kados: Hon. Speaker, may I be given two weeks?

Hon. Abraham Njihia: Hon. Speaker, I concur with the Chairperson.

Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker: Okay. Next Order.

### **MOTION**

**Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker:** The Mover of the Motion is not in and I therefore defer the Motion to tomorrow.

# **ADJOURNMENT**

Hon. Members, there being no other business the House stand adjourned until tomorrow 2.30 p.m.

(The House adjourned at 2.45 p.m)