



## NAIROBI CITY COUNTY ASSEMBLY

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The House met at 2.30 p.m.

*[Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker (Ms. June Ndegwa) in the Chair]*

#### PRAYERS

#### QUORUM

**Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker:** Sergent-at-Arms, kindly confirm if we have the quorum.

*(Clerk-at-the Table confirmed there was no quorum)*

Sergeant-at-Arms, could you ring the bell for ten minutes to see if we can get quorum?

*(Quorum bell was rung)*

Hon. Jagero, kindly talk to your Whip and ask him to whip members to the Assembly and online. Senior Warutere, will you assist your Whip to whip members to the Assembly.

Clerk, we have the quorum. Before we begin, I would like to mention that we have challenges with Zoom. So Members on Zoom kindly be patient with us as we try sorting that out. Thank you. Clerk proceed.

#### STATEMENTS

REQUEST FOR STATEMENT REGARDING SHORTAGE AND UNEVEN DISTRIBUTION OF COUNTY STAFF PROVIDING CLEANING SERVICES IN THE WARDS AND GARBAGE COLLECTION EQUIPMENT IN THE COUNTY PARTICULARLY UMOJA 1 WARD

**Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker:** Is Hon. Mark Mugambi in the House? Sergent- at- Arms, kindly ask Hon. Mugambi to come into the Assembly so that we dispense off with his issue. I am waiting for your request, Hon. Mugambi.

**Hon. Mark Mugambi:** Thank you Hon. Speaker and my apologies. The subject matter of the statement is littering in the county and uneven distribution of county cleaners. Pursuant to Standing Order 45(2c), I wish to request for a statement from the Chairpersons of sectoral committees on Labour and Social Welfare and Environment and Natural resources regarding shortage and uneven distribution of county staff...

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**Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker:** Mheshimiwa Mugambi, can I have a minute. ICT, can you rectify the sound. Members on Zoom are saying that we cannot be heard and I would like it if they followed through the statements. Kindly assist with that. Go ahead Mheshimiwa

**Hon. Mark Mugambi:** Pursuant to Standing Order 45 (2c), I wish to request for a statement from the Chairpersons sectoral committees on Labour and Social Welfare and Environment and Natural resources regarding shortage and uneven distribution of county staff providing cleaning services in the wards and garbage collection equipment in the county particularly Umoja 1 ward.

Hon Speaker, concerns have been made regarding uneven distribution of county staff attached to various wards to clean and collect garbage's that has become a threat to the environment and health of residents in the County especially in Eastlands and informal settlements. The foregoing concerns have led to a pile up of garbage and blocked drainages in the wards especially during the current rainy season.

Hon. Speaker, in the statement the Chairperson should inquire into and report on;

1. Reasons there has been uneven distribution of county staff providing cleaning and sanitation in the wards and particularly in Umoja 1 ward which has only 6 staff who are also elderly.
2. Measures that the Nairobi Metropolitan NMS and the County Executive is putting in place to distribute litter bins in strategic points within the wards.
3. Status report on the implementation and uptake of the voluntary early retirement programmes that the county had set to roll out for aged county workforce in order for them to recruit younger ones

Thank you Honourable Speaker.

**Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker:** Do we have the Chairperson, Environment committee? Any member? Mheshimiwa Wanyoike, are you in both committees?

**Hon. Peter Wanyoike:** I am in Labour Committee, Madam Speaker. We will respond back in two weeks after recess.

**Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker:** Is that okay Mheshimiwa Mugambi

**Hon. Mark Mugambi:** Does that mean that we are going for recess today?

**Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker:** Yes, because all counties are meant to be in Mombasa for the casa games.

**Hon. Mark Mugambi:** Since that is a viable reason, I have no objection with the two weeks.

**Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker:** That will be immediately after recess.

**Hon. Mark Mugambi:** That is awesome. Given he is our Majority Leader for tabling documents. Thank you

**Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker:** Thank you Hon. Mugambi, I do not think that is a parliamentary statement. Mheshimiwa Mbugua, are you in Environment committee? Mheshimiwa Mugambi note that the Labour committee is the only ones who have committed to giving a response in two weeks. You will therefore have to look for the Chair for Environment. Yes, Mheshimiwa, please go ahead.

**Hon. Mark Mugambi:** I do not think that it is on me to look for the Chair for Environment, hence the clerks of these two committees should arrange on how they will have a joint sitting to respond.

**Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker:** Hon. Mugami, I will have the Leader of Majority take responsibility for the Environment committee since he is in the House. Is that okay?

**Hon. Peter Wanyoike:** Thank you Madam Speaker. I will liaise with Chair for Environment and respond back

**Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker:** Will you be giving a response in the same two weeks?

**Hon. Peter Wanyoike:** Yes

**Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker:** Thank you. Mheshimiwa Mugambi, is that okay?

**Hon. Mark Mugambi:** Much obliged

**Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker:** Hon. Redson Otieno, Ngei Ward

REQUEST FOR STATEMENT REGARDING DELAYED COMPLETION OF SOKONI AND KIBICHOI ROADS IN  
NGEI WARD

**Hon. Redson Otieno:** Pursuant to Standing Order 45 (2c) I wish to request for a statement from the Chairperson of the sectoral committee on Transport and Public Works regarding delayed completion of Sokoni and Kibicho roads in Ngei ward.

Hon. Speaker, concerns are being raised by the residents regarding the prolonged delay in completion of Sokoni and Kibicho roads. Construction works had been advertised and tender awarded to a contractor who to date has not commenced work.

Hon. Speaker, in the statement the chairperson should inquire into and report on;

1. Reasons the contractor has not commenced construction works
2. Timelines within the Sokoni and Kibicho roads will be completed?
3. Measures the Nairobi Metropolitan Services and the County Executive is putting in place to ensure earmarked capital projects are completed in a timely manner

Thank you.

**Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker:** Majority Leader, please take that as I cannot see the Chair for Transport. Do we have a member for Transport? Hon. Mark Mugambi

**Hon. Mark Mugambi:** Thank you Hon. Speaker. I am the immediate former vice chair of this great committee. Hon. Redson should give us two weeks after recess

**Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker:** Hon. Redson?

**Hon. Redson Otieno:** That is okay

**Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker:** Thank you. Majority Leader.

REQUEST FOR STATEMENT REGARDING THE OPERATIONS OF NEWLY ESTABLISHED HOSPITALS  
AND DISPENSARIES ACROSS THE CITY

**Hon. Peter Wanyoike:** Thank you Madam Speaker. Pursuant to standing order 45 (2c), I wish to request for a statement from the Chairperson of the sectorial committee on Health Services regarding the operations of newly established hospitals and dispensaries across the city.

Hon. Speaker, His Excellency in a bid to promote greater access to healthcare for residents of Nairobi oversaw the commissioning of five new hospitals in the county, which will offer services on a 24-

hour basis. The Presidents move was hailed by residents as essential to enabling the plight of the poor in making healthcare accessible and affordable.

Hon. Speaker, the County Executive and the NMS were expected to oversee the operations of the new hospitals and dispensary in ensuring they are properly funded and equipped with machinery and personnel. A spot check at the various hospitals and the dispensaries however reveal the NMS and the County Executive are not doing enough to ensure the efficient operations of the newly established hospitals and dispensaries.

For instance, the lack of payments to KEMSA for supply of drugs have negatively impacted the availability of essential drugs as these facilities including basis medical necessities such as gloves etc.

Hon. Speaker, in the statemet the chairperson should inquire into and report on;

1. Reasons for delay in the disbursement of the funds to KEMSA for the supply of drugs to county hospitals and dispensaries?
2. Outstanding bills owned to KEMSA and other supplies of medical necessity at all county hospitals
3. Measures put in place to ensure timely payment of KEMSA and other medical suppliers to ensure continuity in the healthcare provision
4. Whether the hospitals are adequately resourced for 24-hour operations?
5. Status of the incomplete hospitals currently under construction if any and plans to resource them when completed accordingly

Thank you Madam Speaker.

**Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker:** Mheshimiwa, which committee was your statement referred to? Hon. Warutere!

**Hon. Peter Warutere:** Hon. Speaker, we were dealing with a similar question in the morning. This definitely looks like the precursor of the second question Hon. Mugambi has asked about the situation in various hospitals. We got a report from the director of medical services, he was not satisfied and this looks like a follow up of the same question.

I think we need to internalize and come up with something elaborate. I request that we get ample time to even have a physical meeting with the director because among the many things that have come up is the issue about Kshs. 388 million owed to KEMSA and I think it is the same question that is being raised here. I suggest that we be given two weeks so that we can sit down to discuss this issue because it is affecting other hospitals.

I repeat, that, it does not make sense to have structures without the aspect of human capital. If we do not have drugs, we would rather have no staff within our facilities. I am therefore requesting for two weeks so that we can sit down as the Committee of Health and we invite both the Executive and NMS because this is a bill that was passed over from the defunct Nairobi City Council to the NMS. I think we need time to work on it and probably come up with a quick fix. I don't think I will be asking too much, two weeks to work on that.

**Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker:** If I can weigh on that Mheshimiwa Chairman, I think it is a recurring question. Considering that people are going for CASA games, do you want two weeks from now or after we come back from recess?

**Hon. Peter Warutere:** Two weeks after we have come back from recess.

**Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker:** I think you should also consult the leadership so that this can be dispensed with once and for all.

**Hon. Peter Warutere:** Thank you. I stand guided.

### MOTION

#### DEVELOPMENT OF THE COUNTY HARM AND INFECTIOUS DISEASE REDUCTION POLICY

**Hon. Peter Warutere:** Thank you Madam. Speaker. Aware that Article 43 (1) of the Constitution of Kenya 2010 provides *inter alia* that every person has the right to the highest attainable standards of health which includes the right to health care services including reproductive health; Further aware that Part 2, Paragraph 2 of the Fourth Schedule of the same Constitution, provides for county health services including but not limited to, promotion of primary health care as devolved functions for execution by the County; disturbed that prevalence of infectious diseases such as HIV & AIDS, Hepatitis, Sexually Transmitted Infections (STIs), Tuberculosis among other infectious diseases are a significant burden to the Country and County's health system and its overall prosperity; noting the need for the county government to develop strategic measures to mitigate the spread of infectious diseases in the county, and conduct sensitization towards creation of public awareness for its mitigation; further noting the need for promotion and provision for psychosocial support, treatment, and rehabilitation of persons with problematic drug use, their families, care givers, dependents, and the community in general; now therefore, this Assembly urges the Nairobi Metropolitan Service in conjunction with the County Executive to develop a county harm and infectious disease reduction policy in conformance with the existing National policies on infectious diseases.

Hon. Speaker and fellow Hon. Members, I have developed a Bill that will be followed by this Motion which will be focusing on this very important issue that we are going to discuss today. This Motion will form a basis of forming a framework that we are going to use when we come to the main matter. As you know during the Old Testament, there was John the Baptist who prepared the way for the Messiah to come. Therefore, in this Motion I will be working like John the Baptist, that is working on the policy aspect of the main Bill.

Fellow Members, you are all aware that drug or substance abuse is increasing in Kenya and especially among the youth and with the rise of infectious diseases such as HIV and AIDS, current statistics indicate that more than half of drug users are aged between 10-19 years with the majority of them living in urban areas. The main Bill will be dealing with about 30% of the youth population in this country.

Many will ask, why do we need the policy before the Bill? We are all aware that Nairobi City County has a young population of between 18-34 years which is currently about 1.3 million which is 29% of the total population of this country. We are also aware that according to the findings of the United Nations office on Drugs and Crime, 640,000 of this youthful population are abusing drugs. This means that half of that population in one way or the other are using drugs.

As a young parent, I have brothers, sisters, teenagers who are in one way or the other victims of drug abuse. We all agree that we have people who are abusing drugs. According to the findings the issue of drug abuse has been a key impediment to adequate public health and the output of our youthful population with many youths losing their lives and others becoming unproductive due to the infectious diseases. We are urging the Nairobi Metropolitan Services that before we come up with the Bill, let us streamline the policies that will help us work out on the new Bill.

We need to work on Article 43 as read with the Fourth Schedule of our Constitution. It is our responsibility as a county to offer health services including mental health to our youth. As parents, as an assembly, we have a responsibility. We need to ask the NMS to come up with a proper framework that will guide on what we are about to do. Even at the national level there is no policy on substantive frame work on harm reduction which leaves these services to be offered largely by donors and non-governmental organizations which should not be the case.

If you want to help majority of the drug users at whatever level, the cost is very high and can only be afforded by the rich. But once we come up with a policy or a Bill, we will have within our framework hospitals specialists that can attend to these youths because as we say in health 'prevention is better than cure'. It takes about 400 or 500 to offer therapy of a drug user. The poor cannot afford this and you will find that the poor engage in drug abuse e.g. cocaine, marijuana etc. This burdens us as the parents, friends and the money that could have been used in other important aspects of national building. If you ask me the money used for therapy should be used to find remedies of the affected community can be used to build our roads, buy more drugs in our hospitals.

We have a job cut out for us to work on what we need to do in terms of legislation framework to ensure that at least this harm reduction is brought to a level that won't affect our country's development. As a county we have an obligation to meet the needs of our key population especially the persons with drug abuse disorders by ensuring that we provide services in the most hit sub-counties. In places like Kibra, Korogocho, Mathare, we have youth population who cannot afford the remedies of drug abuse.

The Nairobi City County Harm Reduction framework will therefore enable the county to put all plans as well as resources to coordinate the processes that will lead to a more effective approach to treatment, rehabilitation and prevention of problematic drug use within our entire county. Most of these drug users are in urban areas like Mombasa, Nairobi, Kisumu. We should therefore work on it from the capital city and then cascade the same to other cities so that the whole country can help in rehabilitation of our youth.

You are aware that Nairobi County has faced major health and security problems related to drug use and disorders as they have contributed to transmission of infectious diseases. The framework will go a long way in ensuring that we protect Nairobians and future generations by putting in place comprehensive harm reduction plans. As I sit down, I would like to call my sister Hon. Jagero to second this Motion. I know that, Madam Speaker, you also sit in the Committee of Health Services and you are aware that we have had a Bill on harm reduction that is going to come week or so; it is in the drafting stage.

The reason why we came up with the framework was to ensure that at least by the time we are coming up with the real Bill, we would have ensured that everything is put in place and therefore we would

have a smooth running of the activities at the level of implementation. With those many remarks, I urge honorable Members and this House in general to support me in ensuring that our youth population who have been abusing drugs for a long time are rehabilitated and come back to the community to help in nation building.

With those few remarks, I ask my colleague Hon. Jagero to second this very important Motion. Thank you.

**Hon. Millicent Jagero;** Thank you Madam Speaker. Thank you Hon. Warutere, the Chairman of the Health Committee, for coming up with this Motion that will ensure that at the end of it all a policy will be put in place.

Madam Speaker, this policy will ensure that psychosocial support is well articulated. This support is usually supposed to be offered during and after a test has been done i.e. HIV and infectious diseases policy. If this support is not included in that policy, then it will not guide on how the medics are going to use it.

Secondly, on treatment, most of our health facilities within the wards do not have enough medication and enough resources to cater for these ailments particularly at the community level. This makes the people who are suffering from these diseases suffer more and can even lead to death because of lack of medication and lack of support staff from the health centres.

Thirdly, on rehabilitation, we do not have rehabilitation centers at the ward level. The ones that are existing are charging high rates that the people from the community cannot afford to go to. If we can have one in each of the 17 sub counties, it will ease the tension of drug users and even those that have been stigmatized from suffering from those particular ailments.

Thorough and proper sensitization needs to be done within our communities, health facilities, barazas, religious institutions, education centers, and any other institution that need might call to. During this policy formulation, not only the medics and the legislatures should be involved, but also the community health volunteers since they work hand in hand with those people that suffer. The administration should also be involved so that they can take care in case of any problem that will be reported to them. In this policy, I will urge the NMS and the County Executive to ensure that they include prevention and advocacy, care and support of the infected and the affected.

Lastly, Madam Speaker, East African Community has a Bill that talks about these diseases, and therefore we can borrow a leaf from it. In the Sexual Offences Act, Article 28, it speaks clearly on the spread of the HIV/AIDS knowingly. It has a risk and one is liable to be charged if he/she spreads it knowingly. These are the things that need to be brought in to this policy so that it can ease the burden of those who cannot go through such acts. Thank you, Madam Speaker. I beg to second.

*(Question proposed)*

**Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker:** Hon. Members, debate. Hon. Kabiro.

**Hon. Mbugua Kabiro:** Thank you very much, Madam Speaker. It is always good when a lady sits on that seat because they recognize the names of people, especially people like Hon. Ronaldo who is walking out.

*(Laughter)*

Madam Speaker, it is always a good honor when we discuss matters in relation to science because I am a practicing scientist in my other life outside this Assembly. I will start by saying what infectious diseases are. These are diseases that are simply caused by microorganisms, which include the big four. Not the Big Four of the President, but the big four of the scientific world, that is, bacteria, viruses, fungal, and parasites.

I know you would wonder what are these diseases. I can give you a few list of diseases that are caused by bacteria. They include tuberculosis, anthrax, cholera, and meningitis. Diseases that are caused by viruses include chickenpox, flu, HIV/AIDS, HPV, and now we have come to learn of Corona virus, among many others that we may learn in the course of our lives.

Diseases that are caused by fungal, their names are quite difficult, but candida is one of them, aspergillosis is another one.

Madam Speaker, you can google it on your way out of the Chamber. Parasitic diseases include malaria, that is always resident in the tropics around Kenya. Just the other day, there were discoveries over which we can get some vaccines for containing malaria, which is a good thing. Others are toxoplasmosis, leishmaniasis, and the list is endless.

One of the biggest person within the area of science that we all look up to is an American physician called Hans Zinsser, born of a German father, but he lived in New York whole of his life. His words have come to pass in many years later. He is quoted to have said that "Infectious disease is one of the few genuine adventures left in the world."

Madam Speaker, we have seen Corona Virus come and sweep. We have seen in the past infectious diseases that have come and taken over the world and controlled how we live, think, and interact with our neighbours. We thought computer age would disrupt everything, but Corona Virus has shown us something that is more interesting and can make our lives difficult. Think about the number lockdowns that we have had. We are glad right now that we are not in any lockdown situation. It is because of the number of vaccinations that we have gotten, and the amount of containment measures that have been done to limit the spread of the novel Corona Virus that is moving around. It is invisible, it is only through the aid of microscopic devices like microscope, that is where you can visualize it. I have had a rare privilege of visualizing how a parasite and a bacteria look like. In class, I have been able to draw them and name all the parts. But that is a lesson for another day. I can see the Clerk is happy to hear these terminologies and she is happy. Now, why are we talking about Reduction and Prevention Policy? You realize we sent our students back to school just the other day, and Corona was at a peak going up, and they have been in class. I am wondering when COVID 19 will hit our high schools and primary schools, what measures are we going to place for us to be able to contain something like that.

We are not praying that it ever happens, but as we have been able learn from experience, things that we don't pray to happen still happen. So, in gatherings which have been prohibited, we have Corona sweep. I am so sure that every Member of this Assembly knows somebody who is close to them that has been affected COVID 19, either death or sick. It is a sorry state of affair for this country and county.

This policy will go a long way in helping us to identify containment measures that we should employ, especially in groups, schools, and institutions. Many of the workplaces right now, government and



private organizations, including this one, there is a work from home that is happening to help in containment of COVID 19. These institutions need to come up with policies after the Nairobi City County, which has come up with this novel idea. I expect that within that policy, we should have all the other big private companies and government companies to all have a company policy On Harm and Infectious Diseases Reduction and Prevention. That will help lot in containing. We expect these private companies take up these measures and run with it.

When this thing will go down to normal, we also need to get to a point where we transition back to normal. When COVID 19 goes to where it came from, we should have steps over which we can reconstruct our lives back to normalcy. Any other thing that is unplanned in the sense of infectious disease, we should plan for it. This is one of the ways we plan for it, setting up policies and legislations that we have seen Hon. Peter Warutere coming up with. Setting up structures that will help generations to come not to suffer a big blow when it comes to infectious diseases, which are many coming, according to the words of Hans Zinsser.

With those many scientific points, I wish to say thank you for this opportunity. I support.

**Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker:** Thank you, Hon. Mbugua. I think next time we will have a scientific committee. Don't you think, Hon. Warutere?

*(Laughter)*

It was a science class. Mheshimiwa Deputy Majority Leader.

**Hon. Peter Wanyoike:** Thank you very much, Madam Speaker. Let me first of all congratulate the Chair of Health for coming up with this good Motion regarding Harm and Infectious Diseases Reduction and Prevention Policy, which will not only cater for County youths, but also help strengthen the policy we have for our staff.

Madam Speaker, although I don't have the statistic of how our staffs are affected by drugs, we see each and every time most of them come to us for help to be reinstated to their duties. I see this will be of much help if at all the County Executive and NMS can take measures and come up with a Harm Reduction Policy.

Madam Speaker, when we go out of our wards you will find that due to the use of drugs we have a lot of insecurity and a lot of killing out there because most of the people we live with are being affected and they do some of this things without knowing what they are doing.

Therefore, Madam Speaker, if we can come up with a Harm Reduction Policy it can help our county with that I beg to support. Thank you.

**Hon. Peter Warutere:** Thank you, Madam Speaker, as I rise to reply allow me to thank all who have supported this Motion, starting with the practicing scientist who has taught us a thing or two, on various components of the disease that would want to attend to at some point in time.

I want to thank my colleagues both from the Health Committee; I know we have a problem with ICT and many of our Members are waiting probably to support this particular Motion but then the problem is with us.

As I said earlier prevention is better than cure. There is a cost element in terms of saving that would go out after we focus on harm reduction. I might have been privileged to come from probably a

relatively wealthy ward but the issue is not so much embedded into society but because we have users with the support system because of abilities.

When a question comes into my mind, what happened to that child there in Mathare or Kibra who will find him or herself in this particular situation and then would probably want to come out of it? Either way there is element of cost. Therefore, I urge the Membership of this House that has we focus on what we need to do, history will be looking at us and ask pertinent questions, that what did you do as a society, Assembly, as an Executive or as an NMS to ensure at least livelihood of our children was taken care off.

Therefore, I feel some level of excitement when I see my comrade in support of this very important framework and as I have already promised; once we have done with the policy framework in the coming days then we will come with a real deal. We shall come with a Bill and I hope that once it is done it will be implemented to go out there to help the communities and the children and by so doing we will have made the world better.

With those few words, I rise, to reply and express my gratitude to all those who have supported this critical Motion and I hope that once it is assented it will go a long way to preparing the ground, as I read about the messiah and the good work that was done by the John the baptized. I look forward to when this is implemented it will set the pace for a bigger day that will work on Harm Reduction Bill in the coming weeks. Thank you, Madam Speaker I beg to reply.

*(Question put and agreed to)*

### MOTION

ALTERATION OF THE ASSEMBLY CALENDAR PURSUANT TO STANDING ORDER 29(4)

**Hon. Peter Wanyoike:** Thank you, Madam Speaker, I beg to move that, pursuant to the provisions of Standing Order 29 (4), this Assembly resolves to alter the County Assembly Calendar and adjourn today, Thursday, 28th October 2021 until Tuesday, 9th November 2021 at 9.30 a.m. I call upon Hon. Jagero to second.

**Hon. Millicent Jagero:** Madam. Speaker, I second.

*(Question proposed)*

**Hon. Peter Warutere:** Hon. Madam Speaker, the scientist said that learning is a process. It shall be a privilege to be out of this city to go and indulge in athletics. As I rise to support, our Majority Leader there is a session that comes a time that other events are within the calendar of what we do must take president as they say all work without play makes Jack a dull boy.

As we are coming to this session that we need to go and measure ourselves against our competitors on respective disciplines to ensure at least this city will shine amongst the cities of its equal. Therefore, we will have an opportunity in the coming week to take part in various disciplines and therefore, it is through that I feel strongly that we will need the desired time to go and workout and have a little bit of free time to enjoy athletics. It is within our calendar and it is something that comes in and it is done annually.

It was hindered by COVID-19 and it has taken along for the games to happen. Now as they are here with us we can only pray as we indulge in athletics we will take care of ourselves, as COVID-19 is real it is with us and as much as the positivity rate is coming down that does not mean that we do not have to

take care ourselves. I wish the Membership of this House and the staff as they go out there to try their games, let them take care and ensure that they do not escalate the Covid-19 as we come back in good health. I support for that particular reason thank you.

**Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker:** Thank you.

**Hon. Mbugua Kabiro:** Thank you very much Madam Speaker, indeed am greatly privileged to also just weigh in on this and to put this alteration into context. We indeed are going to Mombasa to practice, play, and compete. Just the other day I saw a picture of the Hon. Warutere at the bench and he was taking a small nap; it is because he competes in a 100 meters and that is why he was taking a small nap after a long day of practice.

We just wanted to put that into context otherwise, Madam Speaker, you are doing good job at the seat and kindly continue. For the other teams that are competing, I play football, Hon. Wanyoike plays football as well, Hon. Jagero plays netball, and the Hon. Speaker is a marathoner.

Therefore, just watch out for the Nairobi team as we go to Mombasa to compete. Thank you very much Madam Speaker.

**Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker:** Thank you, Hon. Kabiro but am okay on the golf course. Mover!

**Hon. Peter Wanyoike:** Thank you Madam Speaker, let me take this opportunity to thank Members who have supported this adjournment Motion. As you are aware as a county, we are going to meet other counties in various disciplines, for us to compete.

Madam Speaker, mine is to thank the leadership and all those who participated in making all this to happening. Mine is to wish Nairobi County all the best and to come back victorious thank you. I beg to reply.

*(Question put and agreed to)*

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

**Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker:** The Assembly is adjourned until Tuesday, 9th November 2021 at 9.30 a.m.

**The House rose at 3.55 p.m.**