

THE NAIROBI CITY COUNTY ASSEMBLY

FIRST ASSEMBLY - FIFTH SESSION

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CHAIR

- ADJOURNMENT OF THE FIRST COUNTY ASSEMBLY

Hon. Members, today Thursday 29th June, 2017, marks the last sitting of the First County Assembly of Nairobi City in line with the Assembly Calendar for the Fifth Session adopted early this year.

Hon. Members, it would be remiss if today's sitting adjourns without the Chair taking this early opportunity to wish all of you the very best of luck in your endeavors as we close the Fifth and final Session of the First County Assembly of Nairobi City County.

Hon. Members, we have truly travelled a chequered path over the last four and half years of this Assembly's existence. You will recall that at its establishment following the General Elections of March, 2013, the Assembly began from essentially nothing, and through sheer hard work, planning and commitment, transformed itself to what it is today.

Indeed **Hon. Members**, we leave this Assembly an accomplished lot. It is my firm belief that we have bequeathed the second Assembly a legacy upon which to build on and a firm footing upon which to commence the next Session. From challenges with infrastructure, to properly established Committee rooms and a state-of-the-art Assembly Chamber that can now seat 137 Members of County Assembly, 69 persons at the Speaker's gallery as well as 48 persons in the public gallery, to provision of offices for staff and facilities for Members.

Hon. Members, I must thank you most sincerely for tirelessly growing your capacity to execute your mandates throughout the first assembly's term and for embarking on that task with the zeal we have witnessed over the last four and half years. Through your untiring efforts, the Assembly has considered a total of 352 Motions, including Motions for adoption of Reports, 16 Petitions, 45 Bills, processed 326 Papers Laid and handled 331 Statements since 2013. We have earned ourselves the distinction of being the only County Assembly to pass as many laws as we have over the term of the First Assembly. Indeed, not even the Senate of the Republic of Kenya has passed that many laws over its First Term.

Specifically, **Hon. Members**, the Speaker was encouraged by the robust engagement undertaken by Members on crucial day to day issues that affect residents through Statements, the most popular avenue for legislative oversight and representation amongst Members.

It is my prayer that the second Assembly will pick the mantle from where we leave it today, and not just continue with the good work we have done, but leave the Assembly better than we do today.

Hon. Members, I wish to thank you most sincerely for your cooperation, friendship, collegiality and commitment to service. The very best as you embark on your campaigns for the upcoming elections, and the very best as well for those of you embarking on other endeavors in life.

God bless you. God bless Kenya.

I thank you.

SIGN.

THE HON. ALEX OLE MAGELO, MCA

SPEAKER OF THE NAIROBI CITY COUNTY ASSEMBLY