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[Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker (Mr. Kennedy Obuya) in the Chair]

PRAYERS

QUORUM

Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker: Serjeant-at-Arms, ring the bell for ten minutes.

(Quorum bell was rang)

MOTION

Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker: Hon. Matara.

DEVELOPMENT OF A COUNTY YOUTH ENTERPRISE FUND POLICY

Hon. Silas Matara: Thank you, Hon. Speaker. I beg to move the Motion THAT, aware that the rapid population growth of youths has become a global phenomenon and Kenya is no exception to this trend; further aware that in Kenya, the youth bulge presents a number of challenges for both the youth and the country; noting that every year, one million young people join the job market in Kenya, yet Kenya has the largest number of jobless youth in East Africa; observing that the youth are, and will remain, a significant share of Kenya's population for the foreseeable future; realizing that developing and implementing appropriate strategies, policies and programmes to mitigate the risks and challenges the youth face must be much more of a priority for the Nairobi County Government than it currently is; bearing in mind that any failure

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to provide appropriate opportunities for this large segment of the population could have enormous economic, political, cultural, and social consequences; affirming that engaging the youth population fully is therefore no longer a choice but a necessity in the development process of the County; this Assembly urges the County Executive to develop and submit to the County Assembly for approval, a comprehensive County youth empowerment policy that includes funding opportunities for young entrepreneurs to help mitigate the challenges of youth unemployment in the City.

Hon. Speaker, by the time I was coming up with this Motion, there were some thoughts which came to my mind about the experiences we have had before joining this Assembly. You find that the County Government clearly indicated that they were going to allocate 30% of the tenders to the youths, women and persons with disabilities but due to lack of funding, even if the same youths qualify for tenders, if they go to financial institutions they are told to bring a financial history for six months. They cannot also qualify for LPO financing.

In as much as we would like to empower the youths by giving them jobs through tenders, it is hard for them to execute due to lack of funding. I was thinking that if at all the County could set aside some funds such that when the youth win these tenders, they can be given the funding payable with low interest rates or service fee for the same.

On August 8, we were elected and majority of those who elected us are the youths. If the 30% allocation is fully implemented, it will uplift the economic status of the youths. I was also thinking about the County setting up a youth directorate to handle all matters and initiatives of the youth so that the youth in our respective wards will find an avenue to direct their concerns and observations.

There should also be creation of employment opportunities by setting up internship programs. Roughly 30% of the County employees are aged and are soon going to retire. So, if we set these internship programs to enroll the youths, we are going to create another avenue for employment and in the end crimes and drug abuse will reduce. If we don't do something about this, it will be a danger to us as leaders. We need to urge the County Executive to do all it can to ensure the concerns of the youth are addressed. The County Government, through the respective sector, should come up with a youth empowerment policy that covers and envisages every concern and input that the youths of this County need.

I beg my colleague, Hon. Kabiro, to second the Motion.

Hon. Mbugua Kabiro: Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker sir. I would like to second the Motion. It is a youthful Motion and I believe most of the Members of this House are youthful. Some are youth at heart, like Majiwa.

(Laughter)

The challenges that bedevil the youth in this County include unemployment, lack of opportunities, corruption, lack of proper mentorship, ignorance, drug abuse, betting and the list goes on and on. You cannot talk about any problem that affects the youth without mentioning lack of opportunity. This is actually what this Motion is presenting to us as Members of this House.

I would like to run you through a few things. Nairobi accounts for 6 million people during the day out of the current population of 48 million people. That is 13% of the total population in this Country. This shows Nairobi is the most populous County in the Country. Considering the number of graduates, you can't

underscore the fact that most of the universities, whether by choice or coincidence, are in Nairobi. We are the County which develop these youths and direct them towards their destiny. We should help to steer their course even after the college life. 100,000 youth graduate from universities and constituent colleges. What opportunities do we provide for them, not only in Nairobi but other counties? Do we even have a policy or guiding plan for them to emulate? This is part of the reason this Motion is being introduced to make sure that the opportunities which are available for the youth are given to them.

Hon. Matara, is actually talking about 30% YAGBO. Lately, companies are registered by one youth and about ten other aged people. When they get the tender, who are we benefiting? It is the aged and not the youth. For clarity, the youth bracket is between 15 and 35 years. I believe most Members here are still in that bracket.

I would like to second this Motion strongly and urge that we come up with a policy that then will be submitted to this House for interrogation and passing it so that we can provide an opportunity for youth in the County and a basis for them to kick start their career. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

(Question proposed)

Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker: Hon. Members, you are free to debate. Hon. Lawrence.

Hon. Lawrence Odhiambo: Thank you, Mr. Speaker sir. I rise to support this Motion based on what we undergo in our wards. During the time we were campaigning, my first agenda was about empowerment. When we talk about empowerment we must see how we can empower our youth, our women and we must look at how we can put a policy that can help these young people to improve their lives.

Two, unless you are not after these youths, it is when you can oppose this Motion. I fully support because it will help in eradication of crime and drugs abuse. How will you come out with the issue of eradication of crime in the slum areas where most of us come from and you want to oppose this Motion? I beg my colleagues to support this Motion fully. Thank you.

Hon. Mark Macharia: Thank you Mr. Speaker sir. I rise to support this Motion as a youth myself because the youth are the backbone and basically they comprise the largest population in this country and in the County. As a youth who has been from the estates and who has struggled to be where I am today from a very humble and a poor background, I understand what the youth are going through at the estates. If we pass this Motion, I believe it will change so many young lives out there because there are so many challenges. One, I believe is capital. The youth have ideas, they are very sharp, you find that some of them are very educated but with the current state of our country, it is not the documents that you have that make you get employment; it's the connections that you have. If your father is not a politician or an MD, or he is not a big person somewhere, you end up idling in the estates with nothing to do.

I believe once we pass this Motion and have whatever we have passed put into action--- also one thing we need to be keen with is that we don't pass this Motion and then create an avenue of corruption from the other side. We can pass the Motion but we also need to keep in check on the other side so that the intention that we have can actually be realized. We can pass it with good intention but then create a cash cow for *mabwenyenye* on the other side.

(Point of Order)

Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker: Hon. Anthony, what is your point?

Hon. Anthony Karanja: Mr. Speaker, I think it is unfair and quite disturbing to hear the Hon. Member suggest that the other side, we don't know which side is corrupt. I think he needs to clarify and if he knows any side which is corrupt, I think the President and the Government is ready to pounce on that side. He needs to clarify before he continues supporting the Motion.

Hon. Mark Macharia: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Responding to my able senior *Mheshimiwa* Anthony-

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Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker: Hon. Mugambi, can you give clarity on what you meant by "the other side"?

Hon. Mark Macharia: Mr. Speaker, just yesterday in the news we saw our able Governor having suspended a few individuals on corruption and misuse of public funds. So it is just a concern. It is not that I am saying it is with the intention of being mismanaged. I am just raising a concern.

Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker: Hon. Mark Mugambi, you have to apologize and withdraw and I do not see how that contribution is connected to the Motion of the day. Apologize and withdraw.

Hon. Mark Macharia: I apologize and withdraw and I also support this Motion.

Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker: Thank you, Hon. Member. Hon. Ogeto.

Hon. Moses Ogeto: Thank you, Hon. Speaker for giving me this opportunity and I believe you will also give him the opportunity. The Motion is very clear and I stand here to support it. This Assembly resolves that the County Youth Empowerment Policy to include funding for young entrepreneurs and help to mitigate the challenges of the youth and these funds. Hon. Speaker, there is no CFO in the office; the whole of the Treasury has been locked up. The spirit of this Motion is saying about giving opportunities to the youth but again is touching on funds. This House should come up with good legislation. But again we can't be in a government where we are going to make Motions but offices are closed as if this is a monopoly of offices like Kenya Power. Unemployment of youth is going to end when such a policy is put on by ensuring offices are working. Population is increasing every day, and more youth have become unemployed. Look, even today we can't have an office or a department where we can even get a waiver for the roads because the offices have been closed.

As I support this Motion, I am requesting the Executive specifically the office of the Governor to ensure that immediately we pass such motions, we want the offices to start implementing. If the offices are not working on it, these motions which we are going to pass here are not going to add any value to Nairobians. Hon. Speaker, I beg to support. Thank you.

Hon. John Muthiga: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I rise to support the Motion. As you can see, this is one of the policies that are very important if passed in this House---

Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker: Order, Hon. Kamau! Hon. Minority Whip, do not intimidate the Chair and when you want to speak, kindly communicate by requesting.

(Hon. Peter Imwatok spoke off the record)

Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker: I haven't seen. Proceed.

Hon. Peter Imwatok: When I stand in this House when the Majority or the Minority is not in, I am the boss. *Mheshimiwa* proceed.

Hon. John Muthiga: Thank you very much. That is my able committee member, thank you very much Minority Leader as of today. As I was saying, we told our youths that when we are elected we are going to give them jobs. Because we did not have a clear policy, up to today the Executive is taking us in circles because we don't have anything that we can gauge them with. I know every elected member who is in this House is supporting this Motion because when we go to our wards the very first question they ask us is that; 'you told us to bring our CBOs here that was to get a hundred youths'. That did not happen. We were told to

bring 50 youths, which also did not happen. Then we were told to bring 20, now it is 10 and it is going to one in my whole Ward. Next time as I go to my Ward they are going to burn my house because I am lying to them.

(Applause)

It is a high time that this respected House passes this Motion for our youths to get jobs, to stop asking us where the jobs that we promised them are. I stand here comfortably saying we have to pass this Motion. Thank you very much.

Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker: Hon. Member for Makongeni.

Hon. Peter Imwatak: Mr. Speaker, thank you. You heard the Minority Chief Whip currently in the House is the boss followed by my colleague Deputy Minority Whip, Hon. Ogeto. This is the most emotional Motion that I can never fail to contribute today.

First of all, I must congratulate *Mheshimiwa* Matara that beyond being elected as a first timer in this House you are thinking beyond the obvious. Those who sang and carried us when we won the nomination and subsequently the general election are these young people.

Mr. Speaker, I have just walked out from KTN TV station and the hardest thing that I was asked by the watchman as I was leaving the lift is whether I am a Member of the County Assembly of Nairobi. I said yes, a Member for Makongeni. He then asked me, whom I replaced in the Ward. Then I responded that I replaced one of the biggest shoes ever to be replaced by anyone else, that is the former Mayor George Aladwa. He asked me whether I knew Aladwa did a lot in Mathare YMCA where he used to be a footballer. Then he asked me another question, “*Do you know Black Mamba in Kaloleni?*” I said yes. He then said to me “*I played for Black Mamba but now I am a security guard. When I was a young man in one way the society messed or I messed myself when I was a player.*” Walking in and seeing this Motion, it makes me reflect on what the watchman told me. In the past I had said in this House once upon a time I was a watchman with Kenya Railways. Hon. Speaker, as we sit here today---

Hon. Temporary Speaker: Just a minute, Hon. Imwatak. Hon. Member for Korogocho, kindly go to the back. Hon. Imwatak, you can proceed.

Hon. Peter Imwatak: Thank you, Hon. Speaker for being observant on the rules of the House. Hon. Speaker, I say to Hon. Matara thank you but to my fellow Hon. Members of this House, we have a task ahead. As we speak about empowerment of the youth, currently the existing youth in this County are in shambles. As *Mweshimiwa* Ogeto has just intimated here that as we speak the only place that can bring and also come up with a policy is the Legal Department. Things are closing down on this County. Hon. Speaker, when you look at the Procurement department in this County it has four out of 39 officers.

I believe Mr. Ekaya is one of the youngest accountants and when I was in college he was my junior. Hon. Members, as we pass this Motion we must ask ourselves tough questions just the way that watchman asked me at I&M building, “*Are you sure you are a Member of the County Assembly of Nairobi?*” The question is, are we sure that our Hon. Members are depicting that name out there, that I represent my Ward in the Nairobi County Assembly. This Motion is so good but I am worried and just as the young Hon. Member from Umoja was saying, I am also worried about the implementation of it. Will it see the light of the day? It is so shameful if a young man is asked to execute an illegality in this County and failing to execute illegality is already a platform for him to go home.

Mr. Speaker, whether it is a Motion of Adjournment we will bring it tomorrow, we must discuss the state of affairs of this County including the state of the staff of this County. As much as we develop policies

and Motions on how to give empowerment to the youth of this town, there is no way the present youth will be suffering while we are just watching as Hon. Members. This Motion will be passed but it will be in our annals that we passed a Motion that never made an impact because when you go to the restaurants like Ankara or Petma, there are young men who were employed in 1988 when they were about 18 years, that was the last time there was employment in this County.

I just questioned one of the advisors to the Governor called Ayeyo and I asked him on National TV, it seems the failure of our County is the likes of your advice. They lie before national TV saying the current administration has employed more than 1500 Inspectorate officers who are young men. Is it true? He said we have employed more than 500 Firemen in this County. Is it true? This is wrong, it is time we upped our game as Hon. Members irrespective of our side. I pity my Hon. Members, I see posters everywhere, on advertisements, my picture or Hon. Odalo's picture and I wonder when we changed into being advertisement agencies as Hon. Members. It is time we wake up to the call that you are elected in this Assembly to represent the interests of our Wards. I am worried Hon. Bishop my Senior that this County Government and this County Assembly we purported to be the defenders but now we are the tormentors. Hon. Speaker, I rise to support this Motion by saying that this---

(Point of Order)

Hon. Temporary Speaker: Yes, Hon. Kiragu, what is your Point of Order?

Hon. Antony Kiragu: Thank you, Hon. Speaker. Maybe to remind our---

Hon. Temporary Speaker: What is the Point of Order?

Hon. Antony Kiragu: Point of Order No. 84. Maybe to remind our Whip that he is losing the Motion that he is supporting. Maybe he should stick to the Motion so that we finish and move on.

Hon. Peter Imwatok: Thank you. I am just talking about--- Hon. Bishop, remember I was an altar boy and I want to confront you, I am talking about the young generation. Hon. Members, this is a 2nd Assembly, let us get it right. I came to this Assembly when I was almost 30 years old. I was still a young man but if you look at my head today, I was just from a *kinyozi* and one of them said to me, "*Mweshimiwa your head has turned white*". I am already growing old and we must ask ourselves that generation of Ronaldo what would they say about us, those who aspire to be an MCA like a youth leader from my Ward who is only 24 years, what will he see in us? That is why I am saying that as we pass this Motion we cannot move forward if we only look forward without reflecting where we stand and where we are heading to.

As we stand right now the County is in knee deep in questions, our young men in the Executive are living in anxiety. The staff who are young men in the Executive, they are not sure about their future. One of them said to me yesterday, "*Mweshimiwa, I wake up every morning to report to this County Government and I am not sure if I get to 5.00p.m without finding a white note on the door, I will be lucky*". Therefore, Hon. Members, we must wake up to the call and say enough is enough, we must follow the practice of law and this Motion is passed. In the Implementation Committee Hon. Ogada is there. Give us a timeline, if this Motion on youth is being passed today at what level you expect this. However, I am worried, how we get it? The entire Legal Department in Nairobi County has been extinguished, the entire Treasury is extinguished, and

the entire Procurement Department is extinguished. The only people who are left in the Nairobi County Government are brokers. There is a problem, the 10% generation.

Hon. Speaker, what I am told is that if you are a young man in order to exist in this County Government you must be able to solicit for 10% of contractors. This is wrong. We cannot kill the profession of young men because they cannot bring 10% to the table. As we pass this Motion Hon. Members, let us be aware that 10% belongs to the Almighty God and it does not belong to any person in this County. Even the Bible and the Koran says 10% belongs to God.

Hon. Temporary Speaker: Hon. Member from Makongeni, thank you. Hon. Rose.

Hon. Rose Ogonda: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I think the mood of this House is showing that it is a sad day today. As a mother and an elected woman from Kware the Motion is good for this paper but not good for implementation. Mr. Speaker, as a mother I have a lot of things that I have observed in this House and funny enough three quarters of the Hon. Members of this House are youth and it is very, very sad that nothing is going to happen for the youth of Nairobi County. Hon. Speaker, if it is about the Procurement Department where the youth can get LPO's that is not there. When you went there, I also went there last week and asked where the ablution block of my Ward nobody could explain it to me which means that there is nothing completely that can help any youth from Nairobi. Secondly, I can support the Environment Chairperson, we were told to bring the CBO's and those CBO's were serving 100 youth from each and every Ward. All of a sudden we were told by the Chief of Staff to reduce... First we were told by the former Minister PSM to take 20. Nothing has been done. Funny enough there is a time we were told to take 10 names...

Hon. Temporary Speaker: Hon. Ogonda, kindly let us go in the spirit of the Order Paper and the Motion.

Hon. Rose Ogonda: Mr. Speaker, I am just talking about the youth, I am not talking about anything else. I am speaking on the youths and I know that if you are not a youth Mr. Speaker, you are passed with some few years. Give me time to explain myself. Mr. Speaker, on that note nothing has happened, we did not take any names 52, 53 years like Rose, it was just 20 to 25 years and nothing has happened. Now, the Motion is good and I am supporting it fully but who is going to take care of this Motion? We have finished one year and we only have two years, the third year is all about campaigning time. What are we going to tell our supporters and they voted for us? Mr. Speaker, it is a shame. I have supported the Bill but the Implementation Committee, are they ready to implement it and if yes, when so that we can know our youth are secured. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Hon. Temporary Speaker: Hon. Michael Ogada.

Hon. Michael Ogada: Thank you Mr. Speaker sir. The mood of this House talks the same language but we need this Motion passed as early as yesterday the reason being that youth are the majority in our County and joblessness is too much and they have got no solution to their lives. They have started to resort to stealing, robbery of which they are even lacking where to steal now because the people they used to rob have become broke. Nobody has money. So we do not know what they are going to do, they can no longer afford drugs. It is a serious Motion that need not be taken for granted. The other thing is the youth resort into doing other things by opening small businesses, a small business is not started in a building it can only be a

kiosk but in the wisdom of the Government of the City they have decided to do away with all kiosks which means the youth have no alternative and they have nowhere to go.

This is a serious Motion that members of this House must take seriously. Another thing is that when these youths go for employment some people decide by design to destroy their lives. There is no way that someone can take a young person aged 35 who has a kid of 4 years, destroy his life simply because he is rich and be happy. Nobody is bigger than God. That is wrong. They are spoiling the lives of Kenyans because of pride and I say that is not right. They lied to elected Members of this House to go to the Wards and bring names of young people to be employed and instead after the names had been received the officer in charge was sacked. Why is that so? Because those people do not want Members of this House to be helped. It is not right. Now they have decided to have teams in their name cleaning the City. How is it possible that you have a team registered in your name cleaning the City and being paid by the County? That team must have a County name. They pick Ksh. 17 million to pay those youths and yet they spend only Ksh. 6 million. We are aware. Where does the Ksh. 11 million go to every week? We must stand up and say that enough is enough. No one man can manage this society. We can stand against the ills of this society and stand to be counted.

I am an accountant by profession and have discovered that when you hear someone shouting the loudest to the press then he has stolen monies that day. There is something amiss and it must be investigated. People were sacked yesterday and I know that if we go round then we will realize that something has gone lost. So, let them not use conduits of youths to siphon monies from the County. It is high time we allow the Assembly to come up with policies which will help this County. So that in the event that we employ 50 or 10 youths then we are aware. Here is a case where you cannot know how many youths are employed. They say 1000 and yet the number is 200. Where does the money for the 800 people go to and yet you say that you are clean? Let us stand up as a House and not shame the nation. We should be strong and firm and allow this area to be an environment to work and thrive in. We used to have bursaries and now there is confusion. It simply means that someone does not want the youths to grow. We need to stand up strong and say that enough is enough. We cannot allow that and if need be we will come up with Motions. Thank you very much Mr. Speaker sir.

Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker: Hon. Palapala, make a request

Hon. Alvin Palapala: I want to support this Motion because it is a very good one especially for the youths of Nairobi. I wish to go straight to the point and tell my able Governor Mike Mbuvi Sonko that he is really shaming us as Nairobi County. If this Motion has to see the light of day then we cannot allow Mike Mbuvi Sonko to keep sending members of staff home day and night.

Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker: Hon. Member for Kitusuru. Wait to be guided. It is going to be unpaliamentary if you make direct attacks to the Governor of this beautiful County. You have to withdraw and apologize.

Hon. Alvin Palapala: Okay. I withdraw and apologize. We will not agree on this issue of 20,000 and 30,000. We were elected--

Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker: Hon. Member for Kitusuru, you are not allowed to make direct attacks on the Governor. Be informed

Hon. Alvin Palapala: I apologize and withdraw, my able Speaker

Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker: Now proceed

Hon. Alvin Palapala: Thank you. As I was saying Mr. Speaker, there is no need for us to come with Motions here and at the end of day they do not see the light of day. We will be wasting our time and I hope that the Executive acts on our motions. I beg to support.

Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker: Hon. Anthony

Hon. Anthony Kiragu: Thank you Hon. Speaker. I beg to support this Motion fully and congratulate my colleague Simon Matara for this beautiful Motion. I know that you are about to call the mover of the Motion to reply---

Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker: Hon. Anthony, I hope you did not mean Simon?

Hon. Anthony Kiragu: Sorry, it's Silas. I apologize

Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker: Alright

Hon. Anthony Kiragu: I believe that this is a very beautiful Motion if implemented and I also support the County youth empowerment policy with a bias on funding opportunities and training. Hon. Speaker, I think it is a challenge to every member of this House that when our youths are looking for opportunities they refer to the words "*natafuta kazi yoyote*". This is difficult because as we all know there is no such job title and that is why I insist that as we see the implementation of this Motion, we have a bias on training and invest on human capital. I beg to support this Motion.

Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker: Hon. Jared Akama

Hon. Jared Akama: Thank you very much Mr. Speaker. I rise to support the Motion but before I do so, I wish to urge the mover of the Motion to change the subject from development of County Youth Enterprise Fund Policy to probably something like County Youth Empowerment Policy. This will look more comprehensive. As someone who has been in the struggle for youth related issues in this Country and I am happy that before age caught up with me, we have managed to have a youth policy in the County. I therefore want to speak as a serious promoter of youth issues in this Country. Mr. Speaker, the youth policy culminated into a youth department under the Ministry led by professor Kamar.

Over the years achievements have been made but my worry has been if those achievements are being addressed to the later. Perhaps if this County was serious in implementing policies to the later then we would have spared time and Hon. Silas Matara would have done something else. We have a youth policy and through that we also have a youth fund and the policy provides for 30% involving of the youths in terms of tender opportunities. We also have a youth office in the office of the Presidency and if I look at all these, were they all implemented to the latter then we would have spared our brother Silas Matara as I had said earlier.

We have a youth fund and I keep asking myself if the same is being utilized for the benefit of this Country. We do not want to pass a Motion that will gather dust in certain offices and I believe that as we pass this, the Assembly has an obligation of interrogating the national agenda. That way we will not be passing brilliant Motions that do not get to benefit the young people of this Country. It is important that we define what we are talking about in terms of youth empowerment.

What are we talking about? And I have managed to get a definition because again we don't want to spoon-feed our youth. So, let it go in our minds that what we want to do is to ensure that we are passing a process where young people are encouraged to take charge of their lives. They do this by addressing their situation and then take action in order to improve their access to resources and transform their consciousness through their beliefs, values and attitude.

Mr. Speaker, refreshing ourselves again, after the general election of 2013, we were supposed to have a rerun. So, instead, the President ordered that the 6 billion for the rerun be taken back to the youth. And I want to take an example of where I come from because I am talking about beliefs and values and attitude so that we are able to empower young people. So, when this fund was released and the youth were asked to start applying for the same, and when it came to point of returning funds, our young people said that we are not going to refund the funds because it was meant for *baba*. And that is why our young people got it wrong and because of that the fund is not working. Again, as we are passing this Motion, there is an advice to my brother, Silas, that we put together our efforts and make sure this Motion works when it is passed. The attitude of our young people must also be changed. That they get to think in a certain way. When this opportunity arises, you must go for them because we have a youth fund and young people are not going for the same. They are not taking that initiative. Again they want us, Members, to take these funds to their doorsteps. We must also encourage them to change their thinking.

This is a very brilliant Motion and it can only be implemented fully in an environment which takes these young people serious. I have said in this House, that this County should be on notice and we must take issues seriously for us to move forward. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker: Mover.

Hon. Anthony Kiragu: Thank you Hon. Speaker. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the Members for their insightful input to this Motion and for their support. What I would like to add is that for those concerns and observations that have been raised, we will take them into consideration. I want to take this opportunity to guarantee this House that I never took time to write this Motion only to leave it halfway. I will have the zeal and the energy to ensure that it is not a process in futility. With that, I beg to reply.

(Question put and agreed to)

THE NAIROBI CITY COUNTY OUTDOOR ADVERTISING AND SIGNAGE CONTROL AND REGULATION BILL 2018 (BILL NO. 3 OF 2018)

A BILL FOR AN ACT OF THE NAIROBI CITY COUNTY ASSEMBLY TO PROVIDE FOR THE REGULATION OF OUTDOOR ADVERTISEMENT AND SIGNAGE WITHIN NAIROBI CITY COUNTY AND FOR CONNECTED PURPOSES

(Second Reading)

Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker: Mover.

Hon. Anthony Kiragu: Hon. Speaker, I beg to move that the Nairobi City County Outdoor Advertising and Signage Control and Regulation Bill 2018 (Bill No. 3 of 2018) be read a second time. Hon. Speaker,

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pursuant to section 23 of the county governments act 2012, the Nairobi City County Advertising and Signage Control Bill 2018 was published in the special issue of the Kenya Gazette supplement no. 4 on 14th May 2018. The bill thereafter was read for the first time on Wednesday 13th June 2018 and subsequently committed to the Sectoral Committee on Planning and Housing for consideration pursuant to Standing Order no. 131.

Hon. Speaker, I think it is important to note that this is the 4th attempt to have this Bill passed in this Assembly in the last 5 years. Hon. speaker, this is one sector that has no regulation at all and this is one sector and a department that has the highest number of millionaires per square foot in this County. Hon. Speaker, this department collects 750 million and it has a potential of collecting more than 2 billion shillings for this County. It has not been easy to have this Bill read a second time and without wasting time, because we will be going to the Committee of the Whole House after the 3rd reading, I want to invite my colleague, Hon. Palapala, to second this Motion.

Hon. Alvin Olando: Thank you Mr. Speaker. I stand here to second my able Chairman. We have gone through the Motion, we have done the necessary amendments and it is good for Nairobians. I therefore beg to support the motion.

(Question proposed)

Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker: Hon. Patricia Mutheu.

Hon. Patricia Mutheu: Thank you Mr. Speaker, I rise in support of the second reading of the Motion. Indeed, time has come when we need to revamp our revenue collection and I hope the House will debate the said Motion because it is for the betterment of Nairobi. Thank you.

Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker: Hon. Silas.

Hon. Silas Matara: Thank you Hon. Speaker. Mine is to support for the simple reason that all these programs that we want to undertake, money is a factor as mother's milk is to a baby. So, by the end of the day, if this Bill is going to increase the revenue collected by the County, we support it.

Secondly, with regards to the issues affecting that sector, if rules and regulations were made awhile back but dynamics have changed since then, so, by the end of the day, it is us, as a House, to accommodate and be alive to the changing dynamics and put into place a new Bill that is going to address any issue to that department. With that, I support.

Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker: Mover.

Hon. Anthony Kiragu: Thank you Hon. Speaker. I think this will be a milestone because this is the first Assembly that has a positive economic impact on this County in terms of revenue, ceiling leakages, reducing pilferage and in terms of showing seriousness in fulfilling our legislative role.

Hon. Speaker, it will be a great day as we move towards other sectors in this County to bring order. It is common knowledge that this sector has no regulation at all. It has no control. It is run by guesswork. It is run by cartels. I wish to ask my colleagues to support this Motion. Thank you.

(Question put and agreed to)

**THE NAIROBI CITY COUNTY OUTDOOR ADVERTISING AND SIGNAGE CONTROL AND
REGULATION BILL 2018**

**A BILL FOR AN ACT OF THE NAIROBI CITY COUNTY ASSEMBLY TO PROVIDE FOR THE
REGULATION OF OUTDOOR ADVERTISEMENT AND SIGNAGE WITHIN NAIROBI CITY COUNTY
AND FOR CONNECTED PURPOSES**

(Second Reading)

ADJOURNMENT

Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker: Hon. Members, we now adjourn up to tomorrow 2:30 p.m. Members of the House Business Committee, we meet immediately after this.

(The House rose at 4:10p.m.)