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The House met at 2.30 p.m.

[Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker (Ms. Immapet Kemunto) in the Chair]

PRAYERS

QUORUM

Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker: Clerk, confirm if there is quorum.

Sergeant-at-Arms, kindly ring the bell for 10 minutes!

(Quorum bell was rung)

(Clerk-at-the Table confirmed there was quorum)

Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker: Clerk, proceed!

PAPERS

Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker: Chair environment!

Hon. Millicent Okatch: Pursuant to Standing Order number 91, I beg to lay the following Paper on the Table of the Assembly today Tuesday 29th January 2021: The report of the sectorial committee on Environment and Natural resources on the consideration of the Nairobi City County Sessional Paper 2 of 2020 on Air Pollution.

(The Paper was laid on the Table of the Assembly)

NOTICES OF MOTION

Hon. Millicent Okatch: Thank you Madam Speaker: Notice of Motion on adoption of a report on select committee. Hon. Speaker, I beg to give notice of the following Motion; that this Assembly adopts the report of the sectorial committee on Environment and Natural resources on the consideration of the Nairobi City County Assembly Sessional Paper 2 of 2020 on Air Pollution, tabled in the Assembly on Tuesday 29th 2021. I beg to lay

Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker: Hon. Musili!

Hon. Patrick Musili: Thank you Madam Speaker. I beg to give Notice of the following Motion on development of Nairobi City electric light rail transit system:

AWARE that the electric light train transit system is a medium capacity mode of mass rapid transport that has been embraced by modern cities in the world as convenient and ecofriendly mode of urban transport system with its greatest system being to reduce traffic congestion in the city, reduction of pollution in the city due to its electric functionality, increasing property values and fostering economic development and provision of affordable and reliable means of transport; appreciating that Addis Ababa Ethiopia, is one of the cities in Africa to install and commission a 17 kilometer light railed transit line on 20th September 2015 running from the northern part of the City to its industrial areas in the south. The second one is 14.6 kilometers light rail transit line running from the East to the West of Addis Ababa City commissioned on 9th November 2015 with a total length of 31.6 kilometers and with a total of 39 stations; Acknowledging the provisions of Article 189 of the Constitution of Kenya 2010 which provides for cooperation between the National and County Government particularly section 189 (1)(a) which states that the Governments of either levels shall in alias assist, support, consult and appreciate implement the legislation of other levels of Government. Further acknowledging the provision of Article 189 (2) which provides that the Government at each level and different Governments at County level shall cooperate in the performance of functions and exercise of powers and for that purpose, may set up joint committees and joint authorities. Noting the need for top bottom coordination of the National Government that the County Government has provided for in Article 189 of the Constitution of Kenya 2010 through the multi-agency technical committee approach. Now therefore, this Assembly resolves that the County Executive initiates a multi-agency technical committee from the following agencies

1. Representative from the Ministry of Transport and Public Works
2. Representative from the Ministry of Planning and National Development
3. Representative from the Ministry of Finance and economic planning
4. Representative from the Kenya railways
5. Representative from the National Transport and Safety Authority (NTSA)
6. Representative from the Nairobi Metropolitan Service (NMS)
7. The County Secretary, Nairobi City County
8. Representative from Kenya Urban Roads Authority
9. Representative from the Kenya National Chambers of Commerce, Nairobi County
10. Representative from the Nairobi Metropolitan Area Transport Authority (NAMATA)
11. Two experts from reputable firms dealing with light railway system
12. Two persons representing stakeholders

With the following Madam Speaker, the terms of reference namely could be;

1. Undertake an economic feasibility study to determine the cost benefit analysis of an electric light rail transit system in Nairobi City County
2. Undertake a technical feasibility study for the anticipatory establishment of an electric light rail transit system in Nairobi City County against the required resources
3. Undertake an operational feasibility study to determine if the County needs would be met by the proposed project which is light rail transit system
4. Report to the County Assembly with a comprehensive report within four months from the date of establishment of the technical committee on the reliability, sustainability and availability of the proposed project.

Thank you Madam Speaker.

Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker: Clerk!

STATEMENTS

Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker: Hon. Mark Mugambi

REQUEST FOR STATEMENT REGARDING LAND PLOT NUMBER NAIROBI/BLOCK 109/891/889 ALLEGEDLY GRABBED BY A PRIVATE DEVELOPER IN UMOJA I WARD

Hon. Mark Mugambi: Thank you so much Madam Speaker. Pursuant to Standing Order number 45 (2c), I wish to request for a statement from the Chairperson of the sectoral committee on Planning and Housing regarding land plot number Nairobi/Block 109/891/889 allegedly grabbed by a private developer in Umoja I Ward.

Hon. Speaker, the plot number Nairobi/Block 109/891/889 that is situated along Outering road used to be an open space belonging to the defunct Nairobi City Council. However, this plot was allegedly allocated to a private developer through proxy of his wife and the private developer erected temporary structures contrary to the county zoning policy.

Hon. Speaker, these temporary structures are closely adjacent to Tena I and Umoja estates where furniture and carpentry activities take place. These activities use highly inflammable adhesives and materials that pose a safety threat on residents. So far the residents have witnessed four cases of fire outbreaks that have burnt down houses and individual owners lost properties worth millions of shillings which are never compensated.

Hon. Speaker, several complaints have been logged against the private developer since 1997 that objected the allocation of this piece of land and therefore, there is need for the County Executive and Nairobi Metropolitan Services to urgently relook and ascertain the process and circumstances surrounding the allocation of the above mentioned plot number Nairobi/Block 109/891/889

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

1. The procedures used by the defunct City Council to allocate the plot number Nairobi/Block 109/891/889?
2. Reasons the County Government has not repossessed the land for more than a decade?
3. Measures the County Executive and NMS is putting in place to ensure the County lands are reclaimed and used for public utility

Hon. Speaker, if I may add something to my statement, you find that a former surveyor who was situated in Embakasi West Sub-County by the name Kanyaru allocated the said piece of land to the wife under the name of Ms. Mwangi. The residents have had several petitions to the County and the Ministry of land since 1997 by then I was a toddler.

Hon. Speaker, I would like if we as a County Government or rather a County Assembly could help these residents because most of them who were pushing the petition are dead. Madam Speaker it will be a great if this Assembly goes ahead and grants the believed petitioners their wish.

Lastly, Hon. Speaker, they said that the accused has taken me to court because of the last fire incident.

Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker: Order! Hon. Mugambi, it is a statement and do not respond so much, let the Planning Committee....

Hon. Mark Mugambi: Madam Speaker, I was informing you because I have been taken to court and I do not know whether the County will facilitate my legal fees or I have to go down by myself. Thank you, Hon. Speaker.

Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker: Chair, Planning [committee] or rather any other Member of that committee.

Hon. Millicent Okatch: Thank you Madam Speaker, can we request the Hon. Member, to give us three weeks?

Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker: Hon. Mugambi are you okay.

Hon. Mark Mugambi: Hon. Speaker, I think if the Planning committee will do it in the minimum time possible, I will be okay with two weeks and if possible, Hon. Speaker, they could stop any ongoing construction on the said site. Thank you, Hon. Speaker.

Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker: Member from Planning [committee] are you okay with two weeks or rather what do you suggest from your side.

Hon. Millicent Okatch: I Will consult with the Committee and the Chair and get back to the Member. Two weeks is okay.

Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker: Okay two weeks! Hon. Mugambi.

Hon. Mark Mugambi: Much obliged Hon. Speaker.

REQUEST FOR STATEMENT REGARDING THE STATUS OF NDAKAINI DAM AND ITS ENVIRONS AND IT ALIGNED TO RISING CASES OF INSECURITY AND PROVISIONAL WATER TO THE LOCALS' RESIDENTS

Hon. Patrick Musili: I wish to request for a statement on alleged insecurity for locals living near Ndakaini Dam in Muranga County. The statement I will be reading on behalf of Hon. Immapet, Special Elect Member of this Assembly.

Hon. Speaker, Pursuant to Standing Order 45(2)(c) I wish to request for a statement from the chairperson of the Sectoral committee of water and sanitation regarding the status of Ndakaini Dam and its environs and it aligned to rising cases of insecurity and provisional water to the locals' residents.

Hon. Speaker, Article 43(1) (d) of the Constitution of Kenya 2010 provides the right to Clean and safe water and inadequate quantities for every person. As such the Northern water collector tunnel phase one scheme was designed to divert raw water from Marangwa Ngekige rivers by means of their way control intakes and convey the intercepted raw water through an 11.8KM long tunnel with 3.2meter diameter to the Ndakaini Dam reservoir which was intended to increase water to Nairobi by 140,000 cubic meters per day.

Hon. Speaker the total of Kshs 2.7 billion which is the funding of the National Government with the support from the World Bank and Belgium was used to implement community water project to benefit local residents. However, it is still unclear whether the local residents benefited from this critical resource, which they are protected for decades.

Hon. Speaker, there has also been an allegation of insecurity at the dam where dead bodies been retrieved. Hon. Speaker, in this regard and in the statement the Chairperson should inquire into and report on the following:

1. Whether the Nairobi City County Water and Sewerage limited Company had enhanced provision of clean water of adequate quantities for the locals leaving in Ndakaini and its Environs.
2. Efforts been made by Nairobi City County Water and Sewerage Company to create watertight barriers, that safeguard this water resource while also enabling the locals' residents benefit from the said resource

3. The measurers the County Executive and NMS is putting in place to reduce water linkages and limit water rationing in the County.

Thank you Madam Speaker.

Hon. Member: Thank you Madam Speaker, I wish to respond in the next two weeks' time.

Hon. Patrick Musili: I am okay with that Madam Speaker.

MOTION

DEVELOPMENT OF COUNTY CHILDREN WELFARE POLICY TO PROVIDE A FULL FLEDGED CHILDRENS DEPARTMENT

Hon. Mbugua Kabiro: Thank you very much Madam Speaker, allow me to remove the mask because we are properly social distanced.

That, aware that the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child (UNCRC), is the most complete statement of children's rights ever produced and is the most widely-ratified international human rights treaty in history, ratification which Kenya is party to; Noting, that the Convention has 54 articles that cover all aspects of a child's life and set out the civil, political, economic, social and cultural rights that all children everywhere are entitled to and also explains how adults and governments must work together to make sure all children enjoy all their rights; Deeply, concerned that ensuring child rights in Kenya is still a challenge, 26 years after the ratification of the treaty, and efforts by the State to enforce these rights has not been sufficient as evidenced by rampant cases of abuse and neglect; Children Act, 2001 states that it is the duty of local authority, in this case, the County Government, to safeguard and promote the right and welfare of children within its jurisdiction; recognizing that if County Governments do not supplement efforts to address Child Rights by National Government the implementation of the UNCRC charter will remain a mirage; Considering the huge mandate that the Nairobi City County has in respect to the Children, this Assembly urges that the County Executive Committee develop a County Children Welfare Policy to provide for a full-fledged Children's Department to work hand in hand with National Government agencies in ensuring the protection of Child rights, welfare and related concerns within County.

Madam Speaker, it gives me great pressure when I stand in front of the House to defend a child who is not born by me and the one whom I do not know, one that may have been born out of wedlock but still it is a child. One who could be disabled, blind by circumstances but still they are children.

Hon. Speaker, I move this Motion that this Assembly if agreeable would seek to urge the County Executive to develop a policy. In this policy should create a fully pledged department that should be in charge of children welfare to work hand in hand with the National Government agencies in order for it to ensure the protection of the children right within these boundaries.

Madam Speaker, a child under the children's Act and many other statutory documents that have described what a child is. A child is any person under the age of 18 years. I do not think we have any Member here who is below that age. But if there is; we will endeavor to protect their interests as Members of this Assembly. Children hold a very special place in the society because they are an assurance that our future is guaranteed. We have seen messages going around that all those people who have taken the Covid 19 vaccine will die in two years, our children have not taken the vaccine so we are assured that they will live, and we will protect their interests but that is just a maim.

The wellbeing of every child is the responsibility of; the family where they come from, the wider family i.e. the extended family, the national and the local authorities in this case it is called the state which is divided to national and the county governments in our country. And most importantly the civil society who have been very instrumental in agitating for the rights of a child.

Madam Speaker, Kenya under the leadership of H.E. the President Uhuru Muigai Kenyatta, recognizes the rights of children and puts them in the category of human rights. They have gone ahead to advocate for the rights of children and in this respect Kenya is party to many international treaties or conventions. To name a few and one of them is highlighted in my motion, is the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child which is commonly referred to (UNCRC) which has 57 Articles. The second one is the African Charter on the Rights and Welfare of the Child which is commonly referred to as (ACRWC). The third one is The Hague Convention on the Protection of Children.

Madam Speaker, Kenya is one of the countries that has domesticated these international conventions and has been able to put it in its laws. We have seen that in the enactment of the Children's Act of 2001 and in the localization of the Sustainable Development Goals which harbor a lot of things to do with children. We have also seen its projection and its inculcation by the presence of the rights of children within Vision 2030 which was a document that was developed back then.

Article 40 to be specific (B) of the Children's Act of 2001, talks about the role of local authorities in the upbringing of children or in the protection of the rights of children. This Article – and if I can quote it because this forms the bedrock of my submissions – Article 40 (B) promotes the good upbringing of children through the creation of departments to deal with the rights and welfare of children. Articles 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46 deal with the role of local authorities in the rights of children under the Children's Act of 2001. This is the baseline to which I urge this assembly to agree with this Motion. That we create a department within the County Executive and developed a policy within the county executive that will protect the interests of a child.

What are my expectations of this policy that is to be developed? I expect that the policy should cover the four pillars that are highlighted in the United Nations Convention on the Rights of a Child. These pillars are:

1. Survival rights
2. Developmental rights
3. Protection rights
4. Participation rights

If the policy comes to the floor of this House, and covers the four pillars, I will be a happy man. However, my sad expectations under these pillars are; I would expect the right to good health for every child, this should be captured in that policy. Every child within the republic and in Nairobi is expected to have a right to the highest attainable level of health.

Madam Speaker, under the developmental rights, my sad expectations are; the right to education which as Education Committee we have completely been agitating for and we have facilitated most of these process to make sure that every child goes to school. Leisure, recreation and play, and you can remember

the saying that says; *'All work without play makes Jack a dull boy'* - access to appropriate information is something that I also need to be captured in this policy, social security and parental care.

Under the protection rights, which is very important as well, I expect that the policy should cover the following sub expectations (according to me):

Identity and registration – I expect that a child born in Eastleigh, Mutuini, Waithaka, Westlands, Makadara and any place in this county should be registered from birth. We do not want a scenario where children attain 18 years and they cannot access an identity card because they were not registered at birth. We should guard our children against substance and drug abuse, against physical abuse, child labour, child trafficking which is a global ill, sexual abuse, displacement which I saw happen in Kariobangi and Ruai just the other day (Some children were sleeping away from their houses because of demolitions), disasters, war and conflict and neglect.

I would like to end by – and I would like to tell Hon. Ariviza to be ready – under the participation rights I expect that public participation should also include the views of children. It should be structured in a way that children are able to participate in the formation of laws within this country. I expect that whenever we have propositions of laws in this assembly, we should send them to all the schools. Let the schools give us feedback especially when it is touching on a child and on age specific situations.

Madam Speaker, I would like to end there and urge this House to agree that the County Executive develops a children welfare policy. I would like to call a renowned educationist, the Chair of the Committee on Agriculture and the one who has been in the forefront in the fight for education in this county, Hon. Mary Mwami to second this Motion. Thank you very much Madam Speaker.

Hon. Mary Mwami: Thank you Madam Speaker. Thank you Hon. Kabiro for this great Motion that you have brought before this House, it is long overdue. We have international conventions and the Kenyan Constitution that back this up but we do not have policies – a policy is breakdown of a big document like the Kenyan Constitution or the international human rights, or United Nations conventions. Policies make it domesticated, it brings the thing home.

I am so glad that Hon. Kabiro has brought this Motion. Apart from what he has mentioned very extensively, I would like us to look at the Kenyan Constitution 2010 of which I was part of the making in Bomas, it brings out the fact that in Article 53 (1) on children, it says that; *Every child has a right to a name and a nationality from birth to free and compulsory basic education, to basic nutrition, shelter and healthcare, to protection from abuse, neglect, harmful cultural practices, all forms of violence in inhuman treatment and punishment and hazardous or exploitative labour. to the parents' care and protection which includes equal responsibility of the mother and father, to provide for the child whether they are married to each other or not, and lastly but not least on that sabbatical one, is not to be detained except as a measure of last resort, and when detained to be held for the shortest appropriate period of time and separate from adults and conditions that take account of the child's sex and age.*

Sub Article two of that Article 53 says 'a child's best interests are of paramount importance in every matter concerning the child'. Where Hon. Kabiro had also quoted earlier, is on citizenship, 'every child found within Kenyan borders have a right to have a name and become Kenyan citizen'. Although we really argued about that because we did not want a Pandora's box where Kenya will become a place where every

person dumps children, and we have known people to do that because of our good lives. Although it has been greatly affected by the pandemic, Kenya has got very good high level standards. So we have been finding some children being left within our borders, but praise God, they can become great men and women within us.

Therefore, on this I would really like to emphasize on the fact that when we domesticate this in Nairobi, we are saying that our children within Nairobi will be taken care of. First of all, they will have a name and a nationality, then have free education which the national government already provides for.

We have the Early Childhood Education which is under our care, and we know the former Governor had started a project of them being given some meals or milk, this should be continued because that is part of providing them with nutrition, and we need to have many of those nursery schools with good shelter and so on. In Nairobi we are very good at that, our shelters and our schools are very good.

They need to have nutrition, shelter and good healthcare, and this is very important. This also means that if the parents are probably unable, then we can be able to provide for them NHIF.

(Interruption)

Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker: Hon. Arivisa, please second and then you will have time to debate on it so that you do not take long.

Hon. Mary Mwami: I was just doing it so that I finish but thank you for the advice.

Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker: It is just because of the procedures of the Assembly.

Hon. Mary Mwami: So I second, thank you.

(Question proposed)

Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker: Members, Hon. Musili.

Hon. Patrick Musili: Thank you Madam Speaker. Let me also take this opportunity to appreciate Hon. Kabiro Mbugua for such excellent Motion he has brought on the floor of this House. I can say this Motion should have come on the floor probably during the last Assembly, however, we are not late. Let me say we have got proper and enough legislation on child welfare, protection and provision.

Also the constitution of Kenya as has been highlighted by Hon. Mary Arivisa, has given us basics in handling the issues to do with our children in this County. However, Madam Speaker, when you walk in our streets of this city of Nairobi, sometimes you feel like you want to shed tears when you look at the condition of our children. You will still find there are street families even to date.

The government that does not take care of its citizens is a failed government, because as a County we must also invest in child protection. We do appreciate the County Government of Nairobi has tried to reach out to the welfare of our children by setting some little money to set children's homes. However, this is not enough. Let me say the policy as suggested in this Motion would give this Assembly a proper mandate to come up with a mandate, during budgeting process we need to set aside enough money to go towards the welfare.

When you talk about the welfare of our children, you are talking about the provision of education, health, nutrition, protection from abuses like sexual abuse. And in the recent past, we have seen a lot of children being abused by adults in this city and this country. Two, we need to set up a special office which will deal only with the children issues. I don't know whether we have got an office that is set aside to

handle issues to do with children, but this Motion, this proposed policy should give us a way forward to set up a special office with trained officers to deal with matters of children.

Once this office is set up then we will have a way of handling the issues that come with our children like taking the children that loiter in the streets, making sure they go to school, making sure they taken to their parents and those who do not have parents are assessed, their health is assessed and then taken to the right children's homes.

You see there are a lot of children's homes, but we need several children's homes owned by the government of Nairobi with proper mandate to take care of these children and well equipped. So I beg to support this excellent Motion on establishing a child welfare policy. Thank you Madam Speaker.

Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker: Hon. Cecilia Ayot. Hon. Waithera Chege, Hon. Emily Oduor. Stazo Omung'ala. Arivisa

Hon. Mary Mwami: Thank you Madam Speaker once more. I had already seconded the Motion but I would like to say a little more. This is a great Motion that will be able to do very many things, once the policy is set in place, we can be able to take care of our children.

We have a number of growing street families also in Nairobi and long ago we used to call them street boys and girls, but now they have grown up and then they are also again having children in the streets. So we need a comprehensive policy that can be able to help man this, basing it on the International Convention, our own 2001 Children's Act and our Kenyan Constitution.

It is very important for us to know that we are also having a lot of child abuse in our homes and these children are mainly being molested by people closest to them. And so it is important for us to have a policy and this policy should go beyond being a policy, it should be able to make sure that our children's homes or shelters that we are building in Ruai and the other one in Woodley grounds, that hasn't been developed for a very long time, we can develop them so that we have rescue places apart from children's homes that are government sponsored like Mama Ngina Children's home, we have several people that also run children's homes but do not have a policy that governs them and sometimes children are mishandled in these homes.

So apart from a policy that can be able to help those children to be removed from the streets and abusive situations, some of our children are also being taken over by relatives from home especially when both their parents die, they claim in funerals that they are going to take care of the children and bring them to Nairobi and become the labourers of the home.

So, we need a very comprehensive policy document, taking into consideration of Nairobi. In the rural areas it may still be different but many children who are brought in from the rural areas by their so called caring relatives end up in very dangerous, very hard circumstances. So we need to take care of them so that we also don't contravene those international conventions that we are signatories to. This comes in with International Labour Laws, children are not supposed to be employed but taken care of. They need to be going to schools and not being used as maids.

We should have hotlines where a child can be able to reach out and be able to speak when they are being abused. I am happy there is a small baby called Titi who is now our main comedian. He keeps saying I will take you to the OCS. I think it is a very good for children to know that police officers are not

their enemies but are their friends and should be able to reach out to any police officer and be able to talk of their problems. This will not happen if we don't have good policy document that should not just be on the shelf but should be able to implemented.

Lastly, I want to comment on a policy that has been adopted in Kakamega County. The document says that every child that goes to school should be able to have a pastoral teaching once a week, to be able to say they attended place of worship of their parents.

This is very important because we are having a generation that doesn't have any moral standing and running away from anything that is of moral value. If a child has got parents who are Muslims, they need to go to the mosque, if they are Christians, they need to attend the church. The person in charge signs in so that we have children growing up morally well and being taken care of. Spiritual activities and moral decadence in our society can be curbed if these children are helped to go to a place of worship. I think that can be included in the document policy as we develop it.

I stand again to support this Motion that we set up a policy document that can possibly become a bill and later on an act. Thank you very much, Madam Speaker.

Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker: Thank you. Hon. Jeremiah Themendu.

Hon. Jeremiah Themendu: Hon. Speaker, can you hear me.

Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker: I can hear you, proceed.

Hon. Jeremiah Themendu: Hon. Speaker, I rise to support the Motion. First, I would like to congratulate Hon Kabiro for the good Motion. Children are suffering all over and need to be taken care of. When the parents separate, those who are affected the most are the children. In Nairobi, many children have been abducted, some are abducted while going to find something to eat since they only take one meal per day. There is no protection from any quarters. This policy will make sure child rights are being taken care of. I beg to support.

Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker: Hon. Mwangi Njihia

Hon. Abraham Njihia: Hon. Speaker, can you hear me? ye I can, proceed.

Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker: Yes, I can, proceed.

Hon. Abraham Njihia: Hon. Speaker, I also wish to support the Motion because I can see it is going give kids homes to be in. Most of these kids are in the streets. This will help a lot of street kids in Nairobi. I beg to support. Thank you.

Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker: Hon. Millicent Jagero.

Hon. Millicent Jagero: Thank you, Madam Speaker, I support this Motion by Hon. Kabiro. It is true there is need to come up with homes for the street children because nowadays when you walk in the streets of Nairobi especially in the evening hours, you find that children are roaming everywhere. These are kids who have come from homes, and you will find that some are homeless. So, through the policy that will be put in place by the Executive, I believe that most children will be rescued and food, clothing and shelter will be catered for when they are in those homes. I support the Motion. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker: Hon. Elias Okumu. Hon. Anne Catherine.

(Technical hitches)

Mover?

Hon. Mwangi Kabiro: Thank you very much, Madam Speaker. I would like to thank the Hon. Members for supporting the Motion. In replying to this Motion, we should be careful about the direction we are heading as a County Government, if we do not take care of the interests of the children who are our future. I would like to thank Hon. Mary Ariviza, Hon. Abraham Njihia, Hon. Jeremiah Themendu, Hon. Millicent Jagero, Hon. Patrick Musili, and all the others who supported this Motion. I would also like to thank the Chairperson of the Education Committee, Hon. Sylvia Moseiya and deputized by Hon. Samora Mwaura, for allowing me to be the person to submit this Motion. It was birthed from the Education Committee. Thank you, I reply.

(Question put and agreed to)

Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker: ICT Department, ensure your equipment are working because they have not been working well. Pull up your socks on that so that we ensure other Members get a chance to participate in this Assembly.

ADJOURNMENT

Hon. Temporary Deputy Speaker: Hon Members, there being no any other business, the House Stands adjourned till Thursday 1st July 2020 at 2.30 p.m.

The House rose at 3.55 p.m.