



NAIROBI CITY COUNTY ASSEMBLY

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The House met at 2.30 p.m.

[The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Malyun Abdi) in the Chair]

PRAYER

Hon. Temporary Speaker: Hon. Members, you may now be seated.

QUORUM

Hon. Temporary Speaker: Clerk, please confirm if we have quorum.

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

Sergeant-at-Arms, ring the Bell for 10 minutes so that we can attain quorum.

(Quorum Bell was rung)

(The Clerk-at-the-Table consulted the Speaker)

Hon. Members, the House is fully constituted and we are back to business. Clerk, proceed.

PROCEDURAL MOTIONS

LIMITATION OF DEBATE ON BILLS SPONSORED BY PARTIES OR COMMITTEES

Hon. Temporary Speaker: Hon. Majority Whip.

Hon. Moses Ogeto: Thank you, Madam Speaker and fellow Members for ensuring that we start the Assembly, because last week we did not get quorum. This one will prepare us for the next financial year.

THAT, pursuant to the provisions of Standing Order 106 (1), this Assembly orders that, each speech in a debate on Bills sponsored by a Committee, the Leader of the Majority Party or

the Leader of the Minority Party be limited as follows:- A maximum of forty five (45) minutes for the Mover, in moving and fifteen minutes (15) in replying, a maximum of thirty (30) minutes for the Chairperson of the relevant Committee (if the Bill is not sponsored by the relevant Committee), and a maximum of ten (10) minutes for any other Member speaking, except the Leader of the Majority Party and the Leader of the Minority Party, who shall be limited to a maximum of fifteen Minutes (15) each (if the Bill is not sponsored by either of them); and that priority in speaking be accorded to the Leader of the Majority Party, the Leader of the Minority Party and the Chairperson of the relevant Sectoral Committee, in that Order.

I call upon my able Deputy Minority Whip to second this Motion.

Hon. Joyce Kamau: Madam Speaker, I second.

(Question proposed)

Hon. Temporary Speaker: Hon. Members, you may now debate.

My screen is clear, the mover to reply.

Hon. Moses Ogeto: Madam Speaker, I beg to reply.

(Question put and agreed to)

LIMITATION OF DEBATE ON MOTIONS

Hon. Moses Ogeto: THAT, pursuant to the provisions of Standing Order 106 (1), this Assembly orders that, each speech in a debate on any Motion, including a Special motion be limited in the following manner:- A maximum of three hours with not more than twenty (20) minutes for the Mover and ten (10) minutes for each other Member speaking, except the Leader of the Majority Party and the Leader of the Minority Party, who shall be limited to a maximum of fifteen (15) minutes each, and that ten (10) minutes before the expiry of the time, the Mover shall be called upon to reply; and that priority in speaking be accorded to the Leader of the Majority Party, the Leader of the Minority Party and the Chairperson of the relevant Sectoral Committee, in that Order. I call upon my Deputy Majority Leader to second this Motion.

Hon. John Musila: Madam Speaker, I beg to second.

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

(Question proposed)

Hon. Temporary Speaker: Hon. Members, you may now debate.

My screen is clear; I therefore call upon the mover to reply.

Hon. Moses Ogeto: Madam Speaker I beg to reply.

(Question put and agreed to)

LIMITATION OF DEBATE ON INDIVIDUAL MEMBERS' BILL

Hon. Moses Ogeto: THAT, pursuant to the provisions of Standing Order 106 (1), this Assembly orders that, each speech in a debate on Bills NOT sponsored by a Committee, the Leader of the Majority Party or the Leader of the Minority Party be limited as follows:- A maximum of three hours and thirty minutes, with not more than thirty (30) minutes for the Mover, in moving and ten (10) minutes in replying, a maximum of thirty (30) minutes for the Chairperson of the relevant Committee and a maximum of ten (10) minutes for any other Member speaking, except the Leader of the Majority Party and the Leader of the Minority Party, who shall be limited to a maximum of fifteen Minutes (15) each; and that priority in speaking be accorded to the Leader of the Majority Party, the Leader of the Minority Party and the Chairperson of the relevant Sectoral Committee, in that Order.

Madam Speaker, I call upon Hon. Themendu to second this Motion.

Hon. Jeremiah Themendu: Thank you Hon. Speaker, I beg to second.

(Question proposed)

Hon. Temporary Speaker: Hon. Members, you may now debate. The mover to reply.

Hon. Moses Ogeto: Madam Speaker, I beg to reply.

(Question put and agreed to)

LIMITATION OF DEBATE ON REPORTS

Hon. Moses Ogeto: THAT, pursuant to the provisions of Standing Order 106 (1), this Assembly orders that, each speech in a debate on a Report of a Committee, a Sessional Paper or any other Report submitted to the Assembly, be limited as follows: - A maximum of sixty (60) minutes for the Mover in moving and thirty (30) minutes in replying, and a maximum of ten (10) minutes for any other Member speaking, except the Leader of the Majority Party and the Leader of the Minority Party, who shall be limited to a maximum of fifteen (15) minutes each; and that priority be accorded to the Leader of the Majority Party and the Leader of the Minority Party, in that Order.

I call upon Hon. Ochieng Jera to second this Motion.

Hon. Samson Ooko: Madam Speaker, I beg to second.

(Question proposed)

Hon. Temporary Speaker: Hon. Members, you may now debate. The mover to reply.

Hon. Moses Ogeto: Madam Speaker, I beg to reply.

(Question put and agreed to)

LIMITATION OF DEBATE ON MOTION ON ADDRESS BY THE GOVERNOR

Hon. Moses Ogeto: THAT, pursuant to the provisions of Standing Order 106 (1), and in furtherance to the provisions of Standing Order 27 (5), this Assembly orders that debate on the

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Motion on the Address by the Governor be limited to no more than five (5) minutes for each Member Speaking, thirty (30) minutes for the Mover in moving and replying and twenty (20) minutes for the Leader of Minority Party.

I call upon Hon Gerald Mukuru to second this Motion.

Hon. Gerald Mukuru: Madam Speaker, I second.

(Question proposed)

Hon. Temporary Speaker: Hon Members, you may now debate. The mover to reply.

Hon Moses Ogeto: Madam Speaker, I beg to reply.

(Question put and agreed to)

Point of Order

Hon. Temporary Speaker: Under which Standing Order, Hon. Member?

Hon. Samson Ooko: Hon. Speaker, I am raising on a point of Order regarding dressing code. Hon Speaker, I want to bring to your attention that senior members of this House are not properly dressed as the rules and norms of this House dictates.

Madam Speaker, Hon Kennedy Oyugi of High Rise Ward and Dabar Mohamed of Eastleigh North Ward are not properly dressed. Some of them are here on sports shoes. The last time when the Speaker gave us the guidelines, he told us that no one will be allowed inside the Chamber without a coat. He has run away without your permission. Hon Dabar is still seated here.

Hon. Temporary Speaker: Sergeant-at-Arms, confirm whether the Member is properly dressed.

(The Sergeant-at-Arms proceeded to confirm as directed by the Speaker)

I have been told that he is properly dressed. As you know always, the Speaker is blind. I have been being guided that he is well dressed.

LIMITATION OF DEBATE ON ADJOURNMENT MOTION

Hon. Moses Ogeto: I have seen Hon Kennedy Oyugi running like a squirrel. My colleague here has told me that he has a problem with legs. He was prescribed by the doctor to put on such orthopedic shoes.

THAT, pursuant to the provisions of Standing Order 106 (1), this Assembly orders that, the debate on any Motion for the Adjournment of the Assembly to a day other than the next normal Sitting Day in accordance with the Calendar of the Assembly, be limited to a maximum of three (3) hours with not more than five (5) minutes for each Member speaking, except the Leader of the Majority Party and the Leader of the Minority Party, who shall be limited to a maximum of ten (10) minutes each; and that priority be accorded to the Leader of the Majority Party and the Leader of the Minority Party, in that order. Provided that, when the period of Recess proposed by any such

motion does not exceed ten (10) days, the debate shall be limited to a maximum of thirty minutes (30), and shall be strictly confined to the question of the adjournment.

I call Hon Dabar to second me on this Motion.

Hon. Dabar Mohamed: Hon Speaker, I second the Motion. Thank you, Hon Speaker, for protecting me. Ramadan Kareem to all Hon Members.

Hon. Temporary Speaker: Religious attires are always procedural. Thank you, Hon Member, for the clarification.

(Question proposed)

Hon. Temporary Speaker: Hon Members, you may now debate. The mover to reply.

Hon. Moses Ogeto: Madam Speaker, I beg to reply.

(Question put and agreed to)

MOTION

APPROVAL OF COUNTY ASSEMBLY CALENDAR FOR FIFTH SESSION

Hon. Moses Ogeto: Madam Speaker, first and foremost, I want to sincerely thank the Members who came in when I requested them, so that we can pass this important document for this Assembly to run. The next passing of the Calendar will be in 2027. I can see some Members are not happy, I do not know why, but we thank God they will be happy soon.

THAT, pursuant to the provision of Standing Order 31(1), this Assembly approves the Calendar of the County Assembly (Regular Sessions) for the Fifth Session (2026) as contained in the Schedule.

Madam Speaker, as I said earlier, this one will also give impetus to this House to debate over issues arising in the County. The Calendar has been the most important document which brings other documents subsequently. If we do not pass it today, then some of us would be earning taxpayers' money illegally, and that is not good for this institution, which I have been a Member since inception.

I want to also thank the Members, especially from the Azimio Coalition side. They have not had any problem when they are called to ensure that the Assembly proceedings run. Last week, the Assembly almost collapsed, but when I asked my Members of Azimio to just come in, they did so and they listened to the Governor's Address.

Secondly, we want to put into task the chairpersons and the vice chairpersons of various committees. The Leader of Majority, the Deputy Leader of Majority and I will crack the whip. I can count very few of them in the House.

Hon. Temporary Speaker: All chairman be upstanding.

(Several chairpersons stood in their places)

Hon Moses Ogeto: Vice chairs now.

(Several vice chairpersons stood in their places)

Madam Speaker you can look how embarrassing it is. Next time, chairpersons and the vice chairpersons who don't come to the Assembly should be named before this House. Members request serious Statements, but you find chairpersons are not in the House It is embarrassing that we have around 25 chairpersons and 25 vice chairpersons but we miss quorum. It is a sad story for Nairobians

As I beg Hon. Farhiya to second this Motion, I request the chairpersons who are here, please talk to your fellow persons to be attending plenary. This can be their last session of this Assembly and they need to show the Nairobians how they have performed. With those few remarks, I call Hon. Farhiya to second me on this Motion.

Hon. Farhiya Aden: Madam Speaker, I second.

Hon. Temporary Speaker: Thank you, Hon. Farhiya.

(Question proposed)

Hon. Temporary Speaker: Hon. Members, you may now debate on that. The mover may reply.

Hon. Moses Ogeto: Madam Speaker, thank you so much, and Hon. Farhiya, thank you for that. I beg to reply.

(Question put and agreed to)

MOTION

DEBATE ON GOVERNOR'S ADDRESS

Hon. Moses Ogeto: Hon. Speaker, THAT, pursuant to the provision of Standing Order 27(5), the thanks of the County Assembly be recorded for the exposition of public policy contained in the Address of H.E the Governor, delivered in the County Assembly on Wednesday 11th February 2026, laid on the Table of the Assembly on Wednesday 11th February 2026.

Madam Speaker, the Governor addressed this Assembly on Wednesday. He committed himself to various things, including signing of the deed of transfer. Hon. Speaker, we don't want to preempt what will be signed today at the State House, but he said before the House that he is not transferring any functions. Today, less than a week after the Address, he is transferring the functions.

Hon. Speaker, the Governor talked about the school feeding programme, which has increased the number of students going to school. He also emphasized on the Ward Development Fund projects. I can confidently say before this House that, if it was not for the Ward Development Fund, I do not think there could have been any serious development in this city. Ward Development Fund has cut across all wards. It does not matter whether you support the Governor or not, but development is happening in your wards.

Hon. Speaker, the Governor also claimed that this House received a token of one kilometer per ward. I believe...

Hon. Temporary Speaker: Hon. Majority Whip, we are on a Procedural Motion. I think you will address the rest when we will table the Motion.

Hon. Moses Ogeto: Madam Speaker, I am moving.

Hon. Temporary Speaker: Proceed.

Hon. Moses Ogeto: Thank you, Madam Speaker. I may not get time to speak again. You see there is a Procedural Motion which I have moved a while ago, limiting me to speak for only 15 minutes. That notwithstanding, thank you, Madam Speaker, for that convenience.

Madam Speaker, on the Health Sector, I don't know what is happening there. Even if he talked about it, the health workers were outside there today. I do not know if health will be among the functions to be transferred.

The Governor also promised that by the end of this financial year, each ward is going to get one kilometer of tarmac. Madam Speaker, at times we sit in caucuses, which we do not intend to make them public. Because he spoke over it, we want to also speak over it so that Nairobians can know that there is one kilometer which will be provided by His Excellency the President in all the wards in the city. We will thank him for that.

(Applause)

This will ensure that development is distributed across the 85 wards. You may not like the President, but the development will cut across. You know, Hon. Speaker, we have a new kid in town from the DCP party. I do not know if he was called to that meeting, but we will ask the President to assist him to also get that one kilometer, so that the former Deputy President stops vomiting around in the city.

Hon. Speaker, the Governor also said that he is going to ensure that the salaries of staff of Nairobi City County will not be delayed. They will be motivated and will no longer go to the streets, but serve the residents of Nairobi.

With those few remarks, Madam Speaker, I want to call upon Hon. Deputy Minority Whip to second me on this Motion.

Hon. Joyce Kamau: Thank you so much, Hon. Speaker. I stand to second the motion on the Governor's State of the County Address. I want to highlight on the points that the Governor has said. I will highlight on the positive and the negative side concurrently.

His Excellency, the Governor said that more than 223,000 students in various schools are getting food every day of the week. Honestly, I want to appreciate the Governor for that, because this is helping most of our students who are coming from very humble backgrounds. I congratulate the Governor for that. The Governor also said is that he has expanded our kitchens from 17 to 69 in the County. We cannot just thrive on numbers. The committees should now be given an opportunity to go to these various kitchens and ensure that truly it is not about numbers, but also about the quality and the standards of the kitchens that have been expanded.

The Governor talked about Kshs. 170 million for scholarships from the Governor's office. It is a good thing, and we really congratulate him for that. He said Kshs. 130 million has been used to buy furniture in our ECDE centers. Therefore, I ask our Education Committee to do a site visit and confirm if the furniture have been delivered to the various ECDEs.

Hon. Speaker, the Governor also mentioned the Kshs. 13.6 billion on revenue collection. He acknowledged that it is the highest revenue collected since Nairobi was formed as a government. But in my opinion, I think we are lagging behind in terms of revenue because if we check the records, Hon. Gakuo, who was a mayor at a certain point, was able to collect Kshs.10 billion in his tenure. Many years after, when businesses have grown in this city, major buildings coming up, and major investments, if we are at Kshs. 13 billion, then it means that the Governor is doing very poorly in revenue collection, comparing to what his predecessors did in the past.

The Governor also mentioned that he has been able to reconcile the pending bills from Kshs. 119 billion to Kshs. 71 billion. But what he forgot to tell us is that the Kshs. 100 billion is what had accumulated since the inception of Government of Nairobi. This is since independence. The Kshs. 19.5 billion is the accumulation of pending bills during his tenure of two years. Therefore, it means that we are doing very poorly in terms of pending bills, The Governor should take the task of paying the people who are working for Nairobi.

The Governor forgot to mention about incidences of buildings collapsing in Nairobi. I was expecting him to do that. One collapsed on 2nd of January this year in South C and another one in Karen that killed two people. When the National Construction Authority came to check on the standards of buildings, they found out that 58% of the upcoming buildings in Nairobi are substandard. So, the Governor should also tell us what he is doing or how he will handle this. What his Department of Planning doing to ensure that our people in Nairobi are living in safe houses. It means that some sectors are really lagging behind.

The Governor also mentioned about clearing the WDP bills, but he did not give us the timelines. I would have appreciated if we had timelines of clearing the bills.

Hon. Speaker, the Governor also mentioned that 147 kilometers of roads have been rehabilitated in the entire County. The Transport Committee, kindly, you should confirm on that, because we are having a lot of noise from Nairobians concerning roads. Actually, it is one of the reasons why the President is taking the Department of Infrastructure. We should not be happy because of the numbers but check on the quality of the roads.

Another thing he mentioned is about the 4,700 Green Army who now are on permanent and pensionable programme. That is a good thing, at least most of the youth have jobs now. We appreciate the Governor for that. In that sector of employment, he is doing a good job. He also said that he has so many tippers, I cannot remember the number. I sit in the Environment Committee and I am sure that the suppliers of those tippers have never been paid. As much as we are giving numbers here, we should ensure that the contractors who supplied the tippers are paid.

The Governor talked about improvement of the water capacity. That is okay, maybe elected leaders can confirm from your various wards. He also mentioned the sewer line expansion from 52% to 60%, which is an increment of 8%. We are not doing well. We should be above 60%,

since the inception of government. He should improve on the sewer line, especially now we are heading to rainy season.

Another thing is the issue of markets. The Governor told us that we have six markets that are underway. Comparing his speech on the markets when he came to this House last year, he told us he had 11 markets on his program that were upcoming. This year, he has narrowed down to six. so it means that the sector is lagging behind. It also means that some of the promises that he is giving Nairobians are hot air.

Concerning the transfer of functions, he came to this House and assured us that there is no transfer of functions, but we have seen on the papers today that actually the signing in of deed is happening today. So, with that, I think there is no honesty. As the Whip said about the Health Sector that is not working, I request the President to also transfer the Health Sector for it to function. Hon. Speaker, I second. Thank you.

Hon. Temporary Speaker: Thank you. Hon. Members, we don't want to pre-empt because I think the full information will be on papers and we will be briefed as Members of the County Assembly.

(Question proposed)

Hon. Temporary Speaker: Hon. Members you may now debate on this. My screen is still clear. I think there was a technical issue. By show of hands I can see Hon. Jera.

Hon. Samson Ooko: Thank you, Madam Speaker. Just like the Whip had mentioned, I wish to give my opinion in regards to what the Governor said here last week. On some areas, I would love to commend on what the Governor has been able to do. In his speech, the Governor indicated that he had given out Kshs. 170 million for scholarship to Nairobians. It actually came out and our students benefited. I must acknowledge that last week, as he mentioned, we all received our bursary cheques. My ward, Lindi, received 624 bursary forms, translating to about Kshs. 3.2 million per ward. However little it is, I am sure some of my students will be able to go to school. I commend him for that.

On Ward Fund, Lindi Ward has been marginalized. I have only projects done by Ward Fund. I have never had any project done under capital projects programs. I am glad that after I came here to complain, my contractor was finally paid. At least now something is happening down there. I am also glad that now we are able to see something being done in our wards.

The Governor mentioned about 1 kilometer road project per ward. I want to appreciate the President because he knew we were missing something, and he came in at the right time. I thank him sincerely for considering these wards. I only wish that it comes down very fast.

Lastly, Madam Speaker, the Governor mentioned here that we receive 140 million liters from the Northern Collector Tunnel. He also mentioned that the County had spent Kshs. 67 million to ensure that there is an area in Langata which was adequately piped and getting water, while the neighbouring Kibra, Lindi, Sarangombe, Laini Saba and other areas are having a serious water scarcity. I beseech the Governor to work day and night and ensure that these areas get water,

because we have a big number of residents without water. We are soon going to have a serious problem of Cholera. Thank you.

Hon. Temporary Speaker: Thank you. I think I have a technical issue on my screen. Hon. Jeremiah Themendu.

Hon. Jeremiah Themendu: Thank you, Hon. Speaker, for giving me this chance to say something concerning the Governor's Address in this Assembly. Let me talk about Ward Development Fund and other development in our wards. I think he mentioned the issue of payment. We have a big challenge in Nairobi concerning payment of projects, because even the contractors left the site long time ago. Some raised first certificate so that they can be paid to complete the job, and they were not paid. Previously, we were using a mode of first come, first served. But nowadays, the payment mode is very poor, because there is something which we don't know.

We heard that in Nairobi, we are collecting about Kshs. 13 billion annually. And we normally get about Kshs. 17 billion from the National Government. A Member here mentioned about the times of Gakuo, development in Nairobi was seen. Members of Nairobi County and also the voters of Nairobi could see that County Council of Nairobi was working. Even the flowers, trees, and also the roads that are here were constructed a long time ago. But now, to construct a road using funds from the voters of Nairobi is a challenge. You wonder where the money going to. Is the money being collected? Is it true that Kshs. 13 billion is being collected in Nairobi? We are wondering because sometimes even with Nairobi Revenue System, we still have collection challenges with other revenue collection agencies. Hon. Speaker, my worry is what we will show Nairobians by the end of our term, in terms of development.

There is a good part he mentioned about the employment of our youths. That is very commendable, and we can appreciate that. But there is a lot to be done, and I cannot stop at that without mentioning the transfer of functions. I support that because nothing is happening. Thank you, Hon. Speaker.

(Applause)

Hon. Temporary Speaker: Thank you. Hon. Helen, proceed.

Hon. Hellen Okello: Asante sana, Bi Spika. Kwanza, nakushukuru kwa nafasi hii ambayo umenipa ili niweza kuchangia mjadala huu. Kama mwakilishi wadi ambaye ameteuliwa na chama, siku ya leo nina furaha kuchangia mjadala huu. Bi Spika, kuna wimbo ambao husema, hesabu baraka zako uone yale Mungu ametenda. Mimi kama mzazi najivunia kuwa watoto wamelipiwa karo na wanaenda shule vyema. Nina uhakika kuwa watoto wetu watafanya vyema masomoni kwa sababu wamepata sapoti kutoka kwa Gavana. Mwaka uliopita, kama mzazi, nilikuwa nina huzuni wakifukuzwa kutoka. Watoto wanasoma sasa hivi kwa sababu wamelipiwa karo na pia wanakula chakula shuleni. Bi Spika, tunavyojua, sio wazazi wote wanaweza kugharamia lishe shuleni, wengine pengine wamelala bila kula, na wakifika shuleni wanapata chakula. Sio chakula tu, mimi nimeshuhudia kwa macho watoto wetu wakila maharagwe. Ukienda hospitalini, madaktari watakuambia maharagwe ni nzuri kushinda nyama. Nimeshuhudia watoto wetu wakila chakula kizuri, kitamu na kilicho na afya.

Pili, nataka kumshukuru Gavana kwa kuwaajiri vijana kupitia Green Army. Vijana hao wametolewa mtaani. Hapo awali, wengi walikua wakitumia maji ya vidimbwi kwa sababu hawakuwa na maji safi. Lakini kwa sasa tunashuhudia watu wanapata maji. Maji ya Kaunti ni safi kushinda hata maji ya chupa tunayotumia.

Pia, ninashukuru Gavana kwa sababu ukitembea barabarani utapata maeneo ya kutembelea kwa miguu yametengenezwa. Hamna wasiwasi ya kusukumwa kando ya barabara kwa sababu ya pikipiki. Kwa hivyo, najivunia kama mwakilishi wadi kwa yale yote gavana ametenda. Asante.

Hon. Patrick Macharia: Thank you, Madam Speaker. I also rise to second this Motion of the Governor's State of the County Address, and specifically on the revenue measures that the Governor stated. That he has put up good system to make sure that County collects good amount of revenue. However, as late as yesterday, when I was at the Customer Service at Annex, I found that some people who were coming from my ward to pay County houses rent, but because of poor system, these people are going back with the amount that was supposed to be paid to County revenue. It is good that he prioritizes keeping a good system to make sure that the County gets more revenue so that people cannot go back home with the money that is supposed to be paid to the County.

On the Health Department, where I also double as personnel, it is true that the Governor has really improved on facilities, especially Level IV and Level V hospitals, bringing more services to Nairobi. For example, in my ward, we have Bahati Level IV and Makadara Level IV which have been assigned three dentists, but most of the time you find them doing nothing yet they earn salaries. This is because health cannot work without being funded. SHA reimbursement that is coming from the National Government to SHA goes up to zero, and so it is good for the Governor to minimize minimal payment in such services like dental. If someone goes to a dental facility and pays Kshs.100 or Kshs.200 for a tooth extraction, is better off that someone who goes to a private facility and is charged Kshs. 2,000 upwards of Kshs. 5,000. It is better for us to maximize the personnel that we have as a County so that our people can get affordable and quality healthcare.

On the Green Army, it is true that young people have been employed. We all agree that we need to create more employment opportunities, however, even our President, Hon. Ruto, noted that Nairobi is dirty and that is why some of the functions of Nairobi are being taken over by the National Government, including garbage collection. Cleanliness is next to godliness. What do the 3,500 personnel from Green Army do on a day to day? They report to work diligently but there are no tools of trade or are less. We should put more allocation into the sector of environment so that tools can be procured for them to work. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

Hon. Temporary Speaker: Hon. Lily Kidenda.

Hon. Lily Kidenda: Thank you very much, Hon. Speaker. Allow me to join my colleagues in acknowledging and speaking to the Address of the Governor. I would like to add my voice to the fact that our children are eating in schools. Many of the children who could not go to school now go to school. I have been a witness, I have visited some of these kitchens and what is being done is remarkable. As a member of the Education Committee, I have participated in buying some

of those tap-to-eat watches and shared it across the board with children whose lives I would like to touch. I can say that the quality of food is good, the commitment is good, food is delivered on time and our children are good. I would like to speak on behalf of the mothers who do not have to worry about their children having no food. I have witnessed children carrying packs of food to take home from their leftovers.

I would like to also appreciate the issue of scholarships and bursaries. I was at Uhuru Park not too long ago when the Governor addressed Nairobian. Myriad of parents sat through the morning while he promised that all outstanding fees and current fees are paid for. There was a line that almost circled Uhuru park and the parents were able to pick bank slips. I have also had the privilege to also support some students in this way and the parents of the students have been able to call me saying that the child is happy and that the child is continuing with their studies. I witnessed at Charter Hall elected leaders picking envelopes with cheques and it warmed my heart. I want to be grateful for the classrooms that have been built in the primary schools and even what has been done in the ECDEs which is in our docket as the County Education Committee.

Allow me to talk about issues cleanliness. I know there are problems in many areas but the Governor focused on the issue that they have been able to put 1000-litre bins installed in Starehe, Dagoreti North and Westlands. I am a resident of Dagoreti North and I remember the first time I drove along Gitanga Road seeing beautiful bins clearly branded with the logo of Nairobi City County. I would like to encourage that this be extended beyond the specified areas. I would like to request the Governor to allocate the bins across Nairobi because I have seen the impact.

I want to thank God for the speech specifically focusing on the Northern Collector Tunnel residents. I would like to report that for the first two years I worked here, I bought water every week for Kshs. 2,500, but since this was implemented, I want to say with great thanks that I get water at least twice a week, and I do not have to buy water. I could have said more but I see that my time is up. I am here to say thank you and encourage the County Government and his Excellency the Governor to continue and push forward with what God has implanted in his mind. Thank you, Hon. Speaker.

Hon. Temporary Speaker: Hon. Isalambo

Hon. Emmy Isalambo: Thank you Hon. Speaker. I rise to debate on the Governor's Address. I wish to focus on the bills, where he noted debts we inherited since 2013. Through the effort of the Governor, most of them have been paid. As a member of Public Accounts Committee, I can stand and say that we now get good reports from the Executive, and are at par with the Senate and the County.

Cleanliness is next to Godliness. We have noted installation of bins in some areas. Also, we have cabros, reducing the muddy areas in town.

On employment of our youth, the Green Army and constables, the Governor ensured that most of the youth were put on permanent and pensionable terms, which helps avoid youths loitering. Let us help the Governor in ensuring that the youth are not just earning but are working to earn, and in doing so, we will be making sure that the Nairobi that we want will go back to being sparkling.

Years ago, Nairobi had issues with water but as we speak now, some plots do not go without water. With that, we applaud the Governor. We want more litres of water added so that by his next speech, he can tell us how many more litres he has added. Thank you

Hon. Temporary Speaker: The mover to reply.

Hon. Moses Ogeto: Madam Speaker, I was listening to members oozing wisdom, and I think---

Hon. Temporary Speaker: Hon. Majority Whip, the subject states the debate of the Governor's Address (Day 2) meaning there is a continuation of debate tomorrow. I will order the House that we will have a continuation of the debate on Governor's Address. Clerk, is there any other business?

ADJOURNMENT

Hon. Temporary Speaker: Hon. Members, there being no other business, the House stands adjourned till tomorrow at 2:30 p.m. The Assembly Business Committee to meet at the rise of the Assembly. I want to give special thanks to all of you who have been here for this committed afternoon. I wish our Muslim brothers and sisters Ramadhan Kareem, Ramadhan Mubarak to all of you. Thank you.

The House rose at 4:04 p.m.