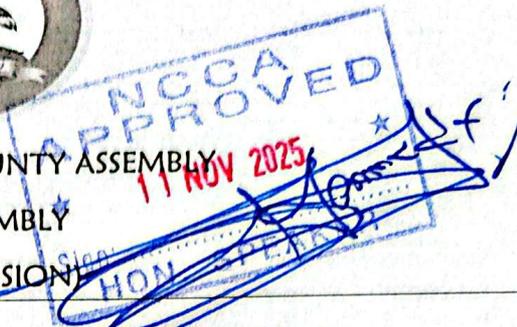


COUNTY GOVERNMENT OF NAIROBI CITY



NAIROBI CITY COUNTY ASSEMBLY
THIRD ASSEMBLY
(FOURTH SESSION)



[PUBLIC PETITION PURSUANT TO STANDING ORDER 214]

**PUBLIC PETITION BY NAIROBI RESIDENTS ON URGENT CALL FOR
EQUITABLE AND QUALITY HEALTHCARE FOR ALL WITHIN NAIROBI
CITY COUNTY.**

WE THE UNDERSIGNED Citizens of Kenya who are residents of Nairobi City County:

DRAW the attention of the County Assembly of Nairobi to the following: -

AWARE THAT, Article 185 of the Constitution of Kenya, 2010 vests the legislative authority and oversight of the County Governments in the County Assembly;

THAT WHEREAS, Section 116 of the County Governments Act, 2012 imposes an obligation on the County Government and its agencies to deliver services within its designated area of jurisdiction, further, Section 117 (1) (a) of the Act provides that the County Government shall give priority to basic needs of the public to ensure that all members of the public have access to basic services;

THAT, Article 43(1)(a) of the Constitution of Kenya, 2010 provides every person the right to the highest attainable standards of health, which includes the right to health care services including reproductive health services;

THAT, health is a fundamental human rights enshrined in the Constitution of Kenya, 2010 yet many Nairobians continue to suffer due to disparities in healthcare services;

THAT, Nairobi as Kenya's capital city should be a model of efficient and inclusive healthcare. However, the reality is starkly different for millions of residents especially

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those in informal settlements and low-income areas who face challenges in accessing basic medical services;

THAT, key issues affecting healthcare in Nairobi are:

- Unequal distribution of healthcare facilities where high income areas have well equipped hospital while informal settlements like lack sufficient health centers leaving residents travelling long distances for health care;
- High cost of healthcare where despite the promise of universal healthcare many Nairobians still pay out of their pockets for essential services;
- Poor sanitation and diseases outbreaks where slums areas experience frequent Cholera outbreaks, Malaria and respiratory infections due to poor sanitation and overcrowding; and
- Neglect of vulnerable groups where persons with disability, the elderly, and street families struggle to access specialized care especially mental health services.

THAT, a healthy Nairobi is a prosperous Nairobi and we cannot claim progress while mothers die in child birth, suffer from preventable diseases, and the vulnerable are denied basic medical care;

THAT, this petition is not just a call for action but a demand for justice, dignity and the right to life for every resident of this great Nairobi County;

THAT WHEREAS, petitioners, confirm that efforts have been made to have the matter addressed by the relevant body, it failed to give a satisfactory response;

AND THAT, all the matters in respect of which the petition is raised are not pending before any Court of law or constitutional body.

NOW THEREFORE, your humble Petitioners PRAY that the County Assembly of Nairobi City County intervenes and ensures that; -

1. There's increase in the budget for public Health facilities and to allocate more funds to upgrade clinics in underserved areas;
2. SHA/SHIF coverage is expanded to ensure all households are enrolled in affordable health insurance;

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3. The County Government improves emergency medical services by strengthening ambulance service and establish more emergency response units;
4. The County Government enforces public health by regularizing garbage collection, provide clean water and conduct health awareness;
5. The County Government prioritizes Maternal and Child Health by ensuring free maternal care, postnatal services and immunization programs; and
6. The County Government Promotes Community Health Workers by training and deploying more to bridge the gap in healthcare access.

And your Petitioners will forever pray.

Presented by;
Hon. Speaker, MCA

On behalf of;

- All residents of Nairobi County.

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