



THE NAIROBI CITY COUNTY ASSEMBLY

THIRD ASSEMBLY

(FIRST SESSION)

REQUEST FOR STATEMENTS

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HON. SPEAKER
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Subject: Alleged Cases of Discrimination in Hospitality Establishments in the County

Hon. Speaker,

Pursuant to Standing Order 47(2)(c), I wish to request for a statement from the Chairperson of Sectoral Committee on Culture and Community Services regarding alleged discrimination of Kenyans in hospitality establishments operating in the County and in particular Westlands Sub County.

Hon. Speaker, there have been allegations where customers visiting Alchemist restaurant and pub located in Westlands fall victims of race and color discrimination. Article 27 of the Constitution of Kenya, 2010 provides that every person the right for equality and freedom from discrimination. It further states that a person shall not discriminate directly or indirectly against another person on any of the grounds including race, sex, pregnancy, marital status, health status, ethnic or social origin, colour, age, disability, religion, conscience, belief, culture, dress, language or birth.

Hon. Speaker, on May, 2022, the former Governor of Nairobi suspended the license of Alchemist bar and restaurant following the public outrage regarding color discrimination whereby it is alleged that Kenyan customers were turned away from accessing the establishment which prompted its indefinite closure.

However, media reports indicate that the said bar and restaurant has since resumed operations and still perpetuating discrimination

Hon. Speaker, in the Statement, the Chairperson should inquire into and report on: -

- i) The criteria used to authorize resumption of operations at bar and restaurant even after revocation of operational licenses;
- ii) Account on chronology of events that led to closure of bar and restaurant and procedures the establishment has developed to handle cases of discrimination; and
- iii) Measures that the County Executive has put in place to curb any form of discrimination in the County

[Signature]
Hon. Maurice Onyango, MCA
MEMBER FOR MOUNTAIN VIEW

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