

THE NAIROBI CITY COUNTY ASSEMBLY

THIRD ASSEMBLY

(FIRST SESSION)

REQUEST FOR STATEMENTS

Subject: Increased Carbon emissions 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 Environment and Natural Resources regarding the County plans on mitigation of effects of climate change.

Hon. Speaker, the efforts to achieve ten percent tree cover by the year 2022 is becoming a challenge yet this remains key in reduction of emissions of greenhouse gases in Nairobi and particularly in Eastlands where most factories and industries are located. These emissions also pose health risks on residents who reside near these industries and therefore it is imperative that Nairobi County joins the rest of players in putting in place measures on reduction of emissions that cause global warming, hence climate change that has had far-reaching implications on health and economy. Hon. Speaker, it is crucial to note that climate change is a global phenomenon that require concerted efforts.

Hon. Speaker, Article 42 of the Constitution of Kenya, 2010 provides that every person has the right to a clean and healthy environment, which includes the right to have the environment protected for the benefit of present and future generations through legislative and other measures. The Nairobi City County Air Quality Act, 2022 also gives effect to paragraph 3 of Part II of the Fourth Schedule of the Constitution of Kenya, 2010

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

- i) The measures that the Sector has put in place to curb and mitigate emission of greenhouse gases and mitigate effects of global warming and climate change;
- ii) Measures has the County put in place to regulate emitting factories and their specific roles toward mitigating the same, if any.

Hon. Peter Mwangi, MCA MEMBER FOR UTHIRU

Date 03/11/2022

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