## NAIROBI CITY COUNTY GOVERNMENT



NAIROBI CITY COUNTY ASSEMBLY THIRD ASSEMBLY - FOURTH SESSION

REQUEST FOR STATEMENT

Hon. Speaker,

Pursuant to Standing Order 47(2) (c), I wish to request for a statement from the Chairperson of the Sectoral Committee on Transport and Public Works regarding the breakdown of traffic lights at key road junctions and roundabouts in the city, particularly within the Nairobi Central Business District (CBD).

Hon. Speaker, Paragraph 5 of Part 2 of the Fourth Schedule to the Constitution of Kenya grants county governments the power to manage county transport, including traffic and parking. In this regard, an efficient traffic management system, which include wellmaintained traffic lights, is essential for improving road safety, reducing travel time, and enhancing economic productivity in the city.

However, Hon. Speaker, the Nairobi City County, being the capital and commercial hub of the country experience persistent traffic congestion, largely due to the absence of functional traffic lights. Notably, most traffic lights that previously existed have been vandalized or are non-functional, forcing the county to resort to manual traffic control through police officers and traffic marshals, which is neither sustainable nor efficient.

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

- i) The specific reasons for the breakdown of traffic lights across the city;
- ii) Provide a list of all non-functional traffic lights within the CBD, including their respective locations and the duration they have been out of service;
- iii) The budgetary allocation and expenditure for the maintenance, repair, and installation of traffic lights for the current and previous financial years;
- iv) The urgent measures the County Executive has put in place to ensure installation, prompt repair and maintenance of traffic lights to improve road safety and traffic flow: and

v) The timeline for restoring all non-functional traffic lights within the CBD and other affected areas. TO be responsed 2 week afternoons

Carries

29/4/20

Hon. Jates Makongeni Ward/Majority Leader

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