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County Assembly Mini Chamber at County Assembly Buildings)

[Hon. Speaker (Hon. C. Korir) in the Chair]

PRAYER

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CHAIR

Hon. Speaker (Hon. C. Korir): Hon. Members, I know that this week you have had lots of business and that is why we sat on Monday. We had a special sitting on Wednesday then we had another sitting on Monday and today on Friday of all the days. We have never had a sitting on a Friday and today is an extraordinary day. I want to communicate that I have received resignation letters from two Hon. Members of the United Democratic Alliance party (UDA) from the committee on Selection; They are Hon. Joseah Samoei who is the Deputy Majority Leader and also MCA for Nyangores ward and Hon. Japhet Cheruiyot who is the MCA for Embomos ward. The UDA party has nominated the following members as their replacements upon approval by the Assembly pursuant to Standing Orders 165(1); Hon. Caren Cheronu being nominated MCA and Hon. Lily Cherotich, being nominated MCA. Therefore, that is communication to the Assembly. It will require the Assembly to have a motion to approve these members to join this committee. I believe that the committee meets the gender rule. However, I wanted to make something known to the whole Assembly that in discharging a member from a committee, the whip of the party proposing the action should demonstrate the following;

The parliamentary party has given the affected member notice of his/her intended discharge.

Two; that the parliamentary party has afforded the affected members their right to be heard on the issue and in this regard it is not for the speaker to dictate who will either constitute the panel or its procedure but suffice to say that some form of a hearing must have taken place. For the avoidance of doubt Hon. Members, my communication is not intended to amend Standing Order 176 but to supplement the matters provided which require parties to comply with the constitutional standards of justification and fair hearing. In this regard, therefore, the decision of a party to discharge a member from a committee having accorded him or her a common hearing is final and ought not to be challenged or subjected to a vote in the Assembly.

Honorable members, I know we have a lot of businesses and I urge you that we go straight to the businesses at hand so that we save on time.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS

Hon. P. Kirui, Leader of Majority (Ndanai/Abosi ward, UDA): Hon. Speaker I beg to give notice of the following motion that under Standing Order 166(3) of the County Assembly Standing Orders this county assembly pursuant to Standing Order 165 (1) approves the appointment of the following members to the County Assembly committee on selection;

- i) Hon. Caren Cheronon, MCA
- ii) Hon. Lily Cherotich, MCA

I beg to lay Mr. Speaker.

Hon. Speaker (Hon. C. Korir): Proceed.

Hon. P. Kirui, Leader of Majority (Ndanai/Abosi ward, UDA): Hon. Speaker I beg to seek leave that this Assembly is suspended for a few minutes so that we come back to deliberate on the matter that I have just tabled because it is an urgent matter that needs to be addressed immediately but the selection committee is not properly constituted and it is a body that is supposed to be properly constituted because of the matters that might arise. I beg to seek leave Hon. Speaker.

Hon. Speaker (Hon. C. Korir): You are seeking leave to do what?

Hon. P. Kirui, Leader of Majority (Ndanai/Abosi ward, UDA): To request members that we suspend the Assembly for a few minutes.

Hon. Speaker (Hon. C. Korir): And then?

Hon. P. Kirui, Leader of Majority (Ndanai/Abosi ward, UDA): So that we table the motion on the same.

Hon. Speaker (Hon. C. Korir): A motion cannot be tabled without the approval of the Business and Rules Committee.

Hon. P. Kirui, Leader of Majority (Ndanai/Abosi ward, UDA): Yes, so that the Business and Rules Committee will go and slot business in the Supplementary Order Paper.

Hon. Speaker (Hon. C. Korir): So, you are requesting the chair so that the Business and Rules Committee can sit while the Assembly is suspended?

Hon. P. Kirui, Leader of Majority (Ndanai/Abosi ward, UDA): Yes, thank you Mr. Speaker for that.

Hon. Speaker (Hon. C. Korir): How many are of that opinion?

(A vote is taken and the ayes have it)

Hon. Speaker (Hon. C. Korir): Therefore, the sitting is suspended for thirty minutes to allow the Business and Rules Committee to meet. Assembly Business and Rules Committee kindly let's meet in my office.

There is somebody at the gallery who is...once it is a time when the speaker or the chair stands, everybody is supposed to stand.

THE ASSEMBLY IS SUSPENDED FOR 30 MINUTES

THE ASSEMBLY RESUMES

Hon. Speaker (Hon. C. Korir): Hon. Members we can proceed unless there are other notices of motions before we proceed to the other orders. Do we have other Notices of Motion? None.

MOTION

Hon. P. Kirui, Leader of Majority (Ndanai/Abosi ward, UDA): Hon. Speaker I beg to move the following motion that pursuant to standing order 166(9) of the County Assembly Standing Orders this County Assembly pursuant to standing order 165(1) approves the appointment of the following members to the County Assembly committee on selection;

- i) Hon. Caren Cheronno, MCA
- ii) Hon. Lily Cherotich, MCA

Hon. Speaker following the resignation of two members from this committee it has become necessary that the party makes replacement with immediate effect so that the committee is properly constituted. Therefore, I beg this Assembly to approve these two members so that the committee is properly constituted and can enact its business as expected. I, therefore, request Hon. Dennis to second.

Hon. D. Ngeno, Minority Whip (Kongasis ward, CCM): Thank you Hon. Speaker for giving me this opportunity to second the motion that we have a sitting on Tuesday. The motion at hand is very crucial and we need to reconstitute the committees so that we can adhere to the two-thirds gender rule. I request that the Assembly give us the okay to do the same so that from next week we will be having a lot of activities that will require the same committee. I also urge the Assembly to assent to the same and approve the motion. Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker.

Hon. Speaker (Hon. C. Korir): Thank you very much the Leader of the Majority for proposing this motion and also the Minority Whip for seconding the motion. I, therefore, propose that pursuant to Standing Order 166(3) of the County Assembly Standing Orders this County Assembly pursuant to Standing Order 165(1) approves the appointment of the following members to the County Assembly committee on selection;

- i) Hon. Caren Cheronno, MCA
- ii) Hon. Lily Cherotich, MCA

Hon. Members the floor is open for debate, Hon. Ernest

Hon. E. Rotich (Mogogosiek ward, UDA): Thank you very much, Hon. Speaker, I rise to support the motion at hand on the inclusion of Hon. Caren and Hon. Lily to the selection committee. It is at this moment in time when we make a crucial decision as an Assembly to comply with the court ruling and the two-third gender rule. Hon. Speaker, as we do that, it is quite unfair and it brings us to a situation where we feel as a County Assembly that the independence of the outside forces including the Judiciary is compromised.

Hon. Speaker, you realize that the two-third gender rule should happen progressively. At this time, as we strive to comply we should allow this Assembly to operate. It is not the business of this Assembly to ask and inquire the opinion of other institutions outside this County Assembly on how it conducts its business. We support this Motion.

I know the members of the public were waiting for the hearing that was supposed to happen today on the three CECMs that were to appear before the ad hoc committees. Unfortunately, we have been dragged behind but we are promising the members of the public that we are refueling this car. We will proceed until we see to it that the people of Bomet are given proper services and that their resources are well taken care of and we are not stopping. These Hon. Members have already signed and we will be bringing impeachment motions for the remaining CECMs including the County CEO himself if he does not allow this process to continue we will be going after him. Thank you.

Hon. Speaker (Hon. C. Korir): Hon. Wesley Kiprotich

Hon. W. Kiprotich (Chepchas Ward, UDA): Hon. Speaker, allow me to rise in support of the Motion that has been put forth by the Leader of Majority on the inclusion of one, Hon. Caren and our lovely Hon. Lily to the Committee on Selection. Hon. Kipkemoi has talked about the reasons why we are doing this.

Hon. Speaker, I would want to laud the wisdom of this Assembly led by you. The issues that we are raising here are for the inclusion of the two Hon. Members to give the impetus to the two-third gender rule in that Committee.

Without mention institutions, because I respect the Standing Orders, Chinua Achebe in his book “Things Fall Apart” talk about Eneke the bird. He said that Eneke the bird flew without patching and some individuals approached Eneke the bird to ask why it was not able to patch. Hon. Speaker, Eneke the bird said, “Because men have learnt to aim without missing, then I, Eneke the bird has learnt to fly without patching.” Hon. Speaker, Eneke the bird said that it was not patching because if it did, men would aim at it and it would die.

This Assembly today is saying that because men, and in this case it is individuals and institutions, are learning to hit at us when we patch then we are supposed to learn to fly without patching. He also said, “The centre cannot hold anymore”. I will not elaborate that. I support.

Hon. Speaker (Hon. C. Korir): Hon. Eric Kirui

Hon. E. Kirui (Kimulot Ward, UDA): Hon. Speaker, thank you for the opportunity to support the Motion that we include Hon. Caren Cheron and Hon. Lily Cherotich to the Committee on Selection on issues that have been raised previously in this Assembly. I thank the Hon. Members for first agreeing that we sit this afternoon. This is a unique moment and a unique season of unchartered waters call for unique decisions to be made. Some of the decisions that we have made, like seating on this Friday afternoon, is important for all of us because we need to find a way of dealing with the people are trying to be mischievous.

I remember while I contributed to a Motion previously, Kijana Wamalwa once said that if selfish interest drove the children of this country drove the children of this country into miasma of depression then a way should be found to get rid of the selfish interest. Some people driven by selfish interests have driven this Assembly to a next level of thinking and in doing this, trying to get the gender card right in this Assembly will earn us respect and that we are not out of options in what we want to achieve in this Assembly.

The two Hon. Members are two respectable Members who have stood the test of time in terms of their participation in this Assembly. The two are also Members who have proven to be dependable, people of integrity and if approved, they will go a long way in serving this Assembly and helping us achieve what we intend to achieve.

I urge the Hon. Members that we support this Motion and we approve this two Hon. Members and going into the future, our work in the Assembly will be smooth and we will be back to business as usual. I support the Motion, Hon. Speaker.

Hon. Speaker (Hon. C. Korir): Hon. Benard Langat

Hon. B. Langat (Kembu Ward, UDA): Hon. Speaker, thank you for this opportunity to contribute to the said Motion by Hon. Paul Kirui, the Leader of Majority. Before I support the Motion, allow me to thank the members of the public who have stood with us since this process began...

Hon. Speaker (Hon. C. Korir): Hon. Benard Langat, since you have touched on the members of the public, allow me to read the names of the members of the public present in the public gallery so that you can proceed.

Members of the public at the public gallery, you are welcome to this Assembly Chamber. I know that there are a lot of interests that you are following, especially the business that has been on the floor of this Assembly for the past one week. In the public gallery we have:

1. Leonard Ngetich
2. Ngeno Dickson
3. Mutai Peter
4. Wesley Kirui
5. Kiprono Siele
6. Tyson K. Ngetich
7. Kimutai Chepkwony
8. Sanga
9. Santos Mutai
10. Elias

Serjeant-at-Arms, I do not think that you captured everyone at the public gallery. Next time, capture everyone at the public gallery. Nonetheless, you are welcome to this Assembly.

Proceed, Hon. Langat.

Hon. B. Langat (Kembu Ward, UDA): Hon. Speaker, thank you for welcoming them. It is good you have mentioned one of my good friends and a good student of law, Tyson Ngetich alias Saitoti, and I challenge him that as he continues studying law, he will be a good leader because he is observing this process.

Hon. Speaker, as I support the Motion, I display my displeasure with what happened yesterday. I am disappointed, as a Member representing Kembu Ward, because the process we had was a process that would have given us and the members of the public to know that we are doing exactly what we were asked to do in this Assembly.

We had given an opportunity the Executive to learn that the people of Bomet are expecting a lot from us. When we were elected, we were allowed to be in charge of what other people would not have been able to. I would like to inform the other side that we have been given a chance to oversight the resources that were allocated to Bomet. Hon. Speaker, it is good for me to go home on a bicycle and respect than to go back with a Prado and no respect. Whatever the people of Bomet decide, whether they will be sending me home or retaining me in this Assembly, let the respect remain.

As much as the process was on, I would like to inform this Assembly that it has just begun. I assure the public that as a Member of the County Assembly representing Kembu Ward; I stand on your behalf and will make sure that your resources are guarded. We will make sure that we will take care of your resources.

I support the Motion. Hon. Lily and Hon. Caren, the respect you have held in the Committees we have had, we know you will bring the best to this Committee. Otherwise, I support it.

Hon. Speaker (Hon. C. Korir): Hon. Victor.

Hon. V. Rop (Nominated MCA, UDA): Hon. Speaker, thank you. I rise in support of the Motion by our Leader of Majority on the nomination by Hon. Lily and Hon. Caren to serve in the Committee on Selection. Hon. Speaker, we are all alive to the provisions of our Constitution which we all swore to uphold.

Today, this Assembly is dispensing a good matter by fulfilling what the law needs us to do. This is a good move by the ruling party, UDA. The Committee on Selection is mandated to nominate other Members to other Select Committees.

Standing Order 166 and 167 ... I am using Hon. Busienei's tablet and owing to the age of Hon. Busienei, it has a lot of light. The Hon. Member is struggling. Give me a minute as I read the provisions of Standing Order 166 (2)

Standing Order 166 (2) says,

"The Committee on Selection shall consider the need for gender balance and shall, so far as may be practicable, ensure that no more than two-thirds of members of a Committee of the County Assembly, including a Committee established through a resolution of the County Assembly, shall be of the same gender."

Standing Order 167 (1) on the criteria for nomination says,

"In nominating Members to serve on a select Committee, the Selection Committee shall ensure that the membership of each Committee reflects the relative majorities of the seats held by each of the County Assembly parties in the County Assembly."

By each of the county assembly parties in the county assembly. Mr. Speaker, I stand to support the nomination of one honorable Lily and honorable Caren to the committee on selection. I support.

Hon. Speaker (Hon. C. Korir): Thank you very much I want to applaud you for reading the standing orders today. I wish all the members ... (*Applause*) could be adept at the way he has done and articulate issues the way he has done and I want to urge every one of you to be with your iPads every time you are coming to this August Assembly. Hon. Victor you did well however you need to be using your gadget. You never know what honorable Busienei was looking at...

Hon. V. Rop; Deputy Majority Whip (Nominated MCA, UDA): guided honorable speaker.

Hon. Speaker (Hon. C. Korir): Thank you. All right. Honorable Dennis.

Hon. D. Busienei (Chemagel Ward, UDA): Thank you Mr. Speaker for giving me this opportunity this afternoon. Mr. Speaker I rise to support the appointment of two members Mr. speaker not only did this committee meet the threshold that is required but also the nomination of

Lily is part of giving the opportunity the representation of PWDs in the committee. Mr. Speaker as you know this Assembly we have been approaching these issues and gaining some experience. This is part of the experience Mr. Speaker. You know when you entered this chambers this evening, I was sited just opposite but honorable Victor requested me to come close I never knew that he was just requesting me because of the gadget so Mr. Speaker he has been relying on me in most of the things Mr. Speaker including the experience that I have so Mr. Speaker I wonder today why he was complaining about the lights but I have been handy in most of the things Mr. Speaker so I support Mr. Speaker.

Hon. Speaker (Hon. C. Korir): Thank you. Honorable Vincent Mutai.

Hon. V. Mutai (Nominated MCA, UDA): Thank you honorable speaker. I also rise in support of the motion in nomination of my two honorable members colleagues to join the selection committee Mr. Speaker. This is one of a milestone step that this assembly has taken in nominating members of gender Mr. Speaker to join the selection committee. Given that this Assembly Mr. Speaker as mentioned by my friends is a Assembly of rules and procedures Mr. Speaker and we want to confirm also that our assembly is in respect of the constitution of Kenya Mr. Speaker. As it has been stated Mr. Speaker in article 27 of the constitution of Kenya, says every person has an equal right before the law Mr. Speaker and in article 27 (8) of the constitution, says not more than two third of the person appointed or selected should join a select committee Mr. Speaker so in this case Mr. speaker, we have done the right thing. We have followed the constitution. This assembly under section 177 of the constitution of Kenya was established Mr. Speaker because this is one of the establishments of the constitution. All the assemblies in Kenya Mr. Speaker is an establishment of the constitution so we must also conform, we must follow the law and we must respect the constitution as it has been our norm always Mr. Speaker so we swore to respect the constitution and going to the future, we do not want to allow political brokers Mr. Speaker to come and read mischief I our standing order, in also some things that we did not follow the constitution Mr. Speaker. We have a lot of business to dispense in the Assembly and going to the future, we want to confirm also to the residents of Bomet that we shall follow the law and we shall not get any other court injunction suspending our processes here that we are dispensing. We are doing it for the good and for the better of our Bomet county Mr. Speaker so I respect and I support the decision and the nomination of the two members to join the select committee. Thank you honorable speaker.

Hon. Speaker (Hon. C. Korir): Thank you very much honorable Vincent. Honorable Nathan Kibet.

Hon. N. Kibet (Kapletundo Ward, UDA): Thank you honorable speaker, I also rise in support of the motion moved by majority leader on the appointment of honorable Caren Cheron and honorable Lily Cherotich to the county assembly committee on selection. First of all honorable Speaker I want to appreciate honorable Joseah Samoei who agreed to resign in that committee. I will also appreciate honorable Japhet Cheruiyot because by them resigning, they gave us an opportunity to nominate honorable Lily and honorable Caren. I also want to appreciate the party UDA for considering the two honorable members. As we are all aware, honorable Lily represents PWDs apart from being a lady, she also represents those people living with disability so I want to appreciate the party for considering them. Honorable speaker, we had started a process which we started on Monday and yesterday, we had a small puncture but after having that puncture, we are now doing repairs and I know going forward, our journey will continue so I want to urge this honorable Assembly that we pass this motion and I am disappointed a bit because one of the honorable members of this honorable Assembly was the one who gave us the puncture but hopefully, going forward we will not have such a puncture again. The constitution gave us three roles honorable speaker; one of them is oversight and that is the core function of this Assembly and when the courts decide to do oversight on our behalf, it is so sad but hopefully going forward, we will have a smooth process of overseeing the county executive and I want to assure this Assembly that personally because I was one of the movers of the motions, we will stick to what we did and we will go until people of Bomet get justice (*Applause*). Thank you honorable Speaker.

Hon. Speaker (Hon. C. Korir): Honorable Richard Ruttoh.

Hon. R. Ruttoh; Majority Whip (Chemamer Ward, UDA): Okay thank you very much Mr. Speaker for giving me this opportunity just in support of the motion before us. Mr. Speaker before I contribute Mr. Speaker I want to take this opportunity to sincerely thank the two honorable members who were in the committee on selection who did their part by relinquishing their positions in the same committee to allow to have a balanced committee which has the gender rule and on behalf of this Assembly, I want to thank the member of county assembly representing Nyongores, honorable Joseah; secondly Mr. speaker I want to thank honorable Japhet from Embomos who sacrificed their positions for the sake of this Assembly Mr. Speaker because the transaction which was before us Mr. Speaker as said by the motion mover of the

previous motion Mr. Speaker is a Assembly which needs to be given an opportunity to do their part. We did our part by doing all the procedures which was needed for the motion to pass and Mr. Speaker because of some of the issues which came on our way Mr. Speaker I want to tell our public that we will not relent. We have to do up to the end and therefore, I am supporting this motion so that it can allow us to continue with our mission. This is a mission which can be compared to Haiti Mission Mr. Speaker. It might not be good to use that term Mr. Speaker but I believe that this is a mission which we have to do it up to the end and I believe the prayers behind us from the Public will not go in vain and therefore I support the motion in hand and I believe this honorable Assembly will approve it. Thank you very much Mr. Speaker and I support. Thank you.

Hon. Speaker (Hon. C. Korir): Thank you very much. Honorable members I now put the question that Pursuant to Standing Order 166 (3) of the County Assembly Standing Orders, this county assembly pursuant to Standing Order 165 (1) approves the appointment of the following members to the county assembly Committee on Selection;

1. Honourable Caren Cheronno
2. Honourable Lily Cherotich

Both are MCAs here.

(Question put and agreed to)

MOTION

PROCEDURAL MOTION

Hon. R. Rutttoh; Majority Whip (Chemaner Ward, UDA): Thank you very much Mr. Speaker. Allow me to move the procedural motion. Honourable Speaker I beg to move the following procedural motion THAT notwithstanding the resolutions made on 28th February 2024 at 2.30 PM approving the county assembly calendar regular session 2024 and pursuant to standing order 30 (3) (b), this county assembly resolves to sit on Tuesday 6th August 2024 at 9.30 AM.

Mr. Speaker I hereby request this honourable Assembly to support this motion Mr. Speaker because we have a lot of business to transact ahead of us Mr. Speaker and as I know most of the people are surprised for us having a sitting on Friday at this time Mr. Speaker is because we are in a serious mission. On Tuesday Mr. Speaker, we have a lot of business to transact and therefore

as per the calendar we were supposed to be sitting at 2.30 Mr. speaker and because we have a very tight program, I humbly request this Assembly to approve this motion so that we can have enough time to sit in the morning and thereafter in the afternoon so that we can transact our business and in a very humbly way Mr. Speaker, I humbly request honourable Deputy Majority Leader to second this motion.

Hon. J. Samoei; Deputy Majority Leader (Nyongores Ward, UDA): Thank you Mr. Speaker, I rise to second the motion moved by Majority whip honourable Ruttoh that we sit on Tuesday 6th August 2024 at 9.30 AM. As the members Mr. Speaker, they are all aware that Tuesday next week we shall be having beehive of activities in this assembly Mr. Speaker and I urge honourable members to rise and support this motion so that we shall be there on Tuesday. Thank you.

Hon. Speaker (Hon. C. Korir): Thank you very much proposer of this procedural motion and the seconder of the motion. And therefore I proceed to propose THAT notwithstanding the resolutions made on 28th February 2024 at 2.30 PM approving the county assembly calendar regular sessions 2024 and pursuant to standing order 30 (3) (b), this county assembly resolves to sit on Tuesday 6th August 2024 at 9.30 AM. Honourable members the floor is open for debate on this. Honourable Dancel Kirui.

Hon. D. Kirui (Ndarawetta Ward, UDA): Thank you Mr. Speaker for giving me this opportunity for giving me this opportunity to contribute on this motion. I will not talk much Mr. Speaker. Jeremiah 29:11; for I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord. Plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future. I support.

(Applause)

Hon. Speaker (Hon. C. Korir): I did not know that nowadays you are... *(Laughter)* but anyway that is a good verse. Honorable Ernest.

Hon. E. Kipkemoi (Mogogosiek Ward, UDA): Mr. Speaker thank you for the opportunity and I continue the conversation and say Amen and I proceed Mr. Speaker with my contribution. Mr. Speaker I rise to support this motion and I want to allude the Bible Mr. Speaker when Jesus went to the wilderness for forty days to pray Mr. Speaker, it is at this time of this season that we are asking as we retreat to the wilderness to pray Mr. Speaker for three days before we come up with the big news on Tuesday Mr. Speaker.

Hon. E. Kipkemoi, (Mogogosiek ward, UDA): Majority Whip honourable Richard talked and said that, there's a lot of prayers from the people of Bomet, Mr. Speaker as we retreat in these three days, I want to pray that each of these members will be touched by the Holy Spirit, so that when we come back on Tuesday, the people of Bomet will see a different Assembly rejuvenated and ready to continue with the onslaught Mr. Speaker. This opportunity that some people thought that we are being punctured or that we were running short of fuel in our cars, we are telling them that we are ready, we will take these three days to retreat and I believe our retreat will not go in vain. Thank you very much.

Hon. Speaker (Hon. C. Korir): Thank you very much actually you take time this time, Hon. Nathan then Hon. Dennis.

Hon. N. Kibet (Kapletundo Ward, UDA): Hon. Speaker, I rise to support the motion that we meet on Tuesday 9:30am, I don't want to speak so much but I just want to say, there is a say that says no retreat no surrender. So we are not going to surrender we are going to fulfill what we promised the people of Bomet. Thank you Mr. Speaker.

Hon. D. Ngeno, (Minority Whip, Kongasis Ward, CCM): Thank you very much Mr. Speaker for giving me this opportunity to contribute on this motion by our Majority Whip. Yesterday Mr. Speaker on your communication you read for us a communication from our law court, this assembly has been tempted and the powers of this assembly is being tried by other institutions. Today we sit in this August Assembly and we want our powers to be felt Mr. Speaker. Today I want to take you back to Holy Book, there's a story of a man called Jonah who was on a ship, and this story goes directly to the CEO of this County Mr. Speaker. The story of Jonah is well elaborated. When the ship was almost sinking, Jonah was to be sacrificed and to be thrown to the water, Mr. Speaker, today we are passing a motion to sit on Tuesday. Remember we sited on Monday until Friday, next week we will be sitting on a Tuesday morning, which has never happened before. On Tuesday, this an announcement, on Tuesday! On Tuesday! On Tuesday! This should be an announcement to public and the residents of Bomet. On Tuesday we will be having 10 motions here, for all the CEC's, on Tuesday! You we have played a lot, we have played a lot and we want this Assembly to be known as a Assembly to oversight the executive. Mr. Speaker I beg to sit and support the motion.

Hon. Speaker (Hon. C. Korir): Hon. Vincent Katam.

Hon. V. Mutai, (Nominated MCA, UDA): Thank you very much Hon. Speaker, I also stand in support of the motion and also myself reconfirming that on Tuesday I will be around. It is my prayer that on Tuesday I will be very well and okay on my health. Last time I was absent and a lot of questions were running around on my allegiance and on my stand but I want to reconfirm to this Assembly and the people of Bomet that on Tuesday we are saving Bomet for once. We have tried for very long time but this is the right that Bomet County will be shaped for the future. We want to shape this Bomet for the right direction. Accountability is the bottom line of everything that is what we are advocating for. We are not witch-hunting, this is not a political witch-hunt but we are saying everyone should be accountable for what is there Mr. Speaker. We don't want court cases, we don't want witch-hunt and we are praying that as we go for the weekend each and every member will go his home, have enough rest because we will be having a lot of work to be done on Tuesday Mr. Speaker. I told you we have on these streets for sometimes, we went for a retreat with my friend here honourable general Mr. Speaker and we sat.

Hon. Speaker (Hon. C. Korir): Honourable member, there is no member here of that name, kindly withdraw and apologize and give the right name.

Hon. V. Mutai (Nominated MCAUDA): I withdraw and apologize Mr. Speaker. I went to a street with my colleague honourable Member and we discussed.

Hon. Speaker (Hon. C. Korir): Which member?

Hon. V. Mutai (Nominated MCA, UDA): Hon. Victor Rop, Mr. Speaker. You're forcing me to mention the name, you know we don't mention names of generals anyhow Mr. Speaker. I was saying we went to street because we noticed a lot of messes and embezzlement of funds in Bomet County and we went ahead and informed the public that there's something that is happening. I want to thank this Assembly because we are following the right procedure. I can confirmed that that was not the right procedure although it is allowed in the constitution. Picketing and protesting is safeguarded in the constitution of Kenya but this is also one way of doing the oversight that is why I'm saying we are embarking on Tuesday on full force. I want to assure the people of Bomet that what we are tabling here on Tuesday will be something good and will safe Bomet County, thank you.

Hon. Speaker (Hon. C. Korir): Honourable Victor.

Hon. V. Rop, Deputy Majority Whip (Nominated MCA, UDA): Thank you Hon. Speaker, I also rise in support of the motion by our Majority Whip Mr. Speaker and to echo the sentiments

of my colleagues that on Tuesday we shall be seated here as early as 9:30a.m to deliberate on issues that will be there. I also sit here as the Deputy Majority whip, this is an office that no function in this Assembly Mr. Speaker but on Tuesday, I'm giving my assurance that my office will be of use. I will make sure that I will all the 38 Members to be present within the precinct of the assembly and to sit here to deliberate on the matters that gave us the chance to sit here. It is an honor, we have over 800 thousands residents of Bomet who possess same qualities as us but we have the privilege to sit in this honourable Assembly on behalf of the residents of Bomet and when we have been given a chance what is expected of us is to work as per the mandate that we were given Mr. Speaker, oversight, legislation and representation so I'm very ready for Tuesday. I'm ready for Tuesday Mr. Speaker and by extension on Wednesday, we shall have celebrations in the streets. I support.

Hon. Speaker (Hon. C. Korir): Honourable Peter Langat.

Hon. P. Langat (Merigi ward, INDEPENDENT): Thank you Mr. Speaker, I also rise in support of this motion. Yesterday as we were served by the court about the court order, there was mixed reactions, we were yapping and yelling here like monkeys but at long last we are now seated on Friday this way, smartly in trying to tackle what we have started. Our today sitting is a clear indication that we are together as I talked here as one of the motion mover, it shows that we are together, it was not about the individual, it was not about the committee, it was about the whole committee. Now the members from the public gallery who are seated knows that we are cooking something here and we are assuring them that by Tuesday what we are cooking will be ready to be served to the public.

So Honourable Members, as we react yesterday about today's petition, I had a lot of witnesses who were supposed to report to this Assembly today but unfortunate what happened is what we are tackling, otherwise the motion before us I support and we shall be ready to tackle it on Tuesday. Thank you.

Hon. Speaker (Hon. C. Korir): Honourable Eric Kirui.

Hon. E. Kirui (Kimulot ward, UDA): Thank you Honourable Speaker, sitting here I'm reminded of the week that has been, Monday we sat until midnight, I remember when I went home I rest 2 a.m. in the morning. I'm seated here this afternoon, discussing about us meeting on Tuesday, and I'm reminded that the people of Bomet are seeking the value of their votes. That these Hon. Members have actually put their efforts the whole week trying to ensure that the

people that have been put in place are actually checked and they are answerable to authorities and the authorities are the people of this County. The season that we are in like as I have said earlier, are seasons that are very important for the people of Bomet and I want the members of the public that the roles that have been bestowed to this Assembly is a huge mandate that can never be set aside by anyone, even complaining that they don't like the shape of a nose of a Honourable Member that maybe some people think oo you're not there. Contributing to this motion Honourable Speaker, which we sit on Tuesday is a key thing and I know it will change the course of history in this County and in this Country. We will come here energize and like the old cliché which says when one door closes the other one open. I know when the door closed yesterday about the pursuit that we had about justice and accountability for the people of Bomet, people might have lost hope but these a renewed hope that the people of Bomet will be a renaissance on Tuesday and we will make sure that we accomplished our course and I want to urge Honourable that even as we pass this motion to sit on Tuesday morning we go and reset on this so that by the time we come back on Tuesday we will be having better energy, more focus and more lethal than we were this week. I support the motion Honourable Speaker.

Hon. Speaker (Hon. C. Korir): Thank you very much Honourable Eric and all the contributors of this motion. I now moved to put the question that notwithstanding the resolutions made 28th February 2024 at 2:30pm approving the County Assembly calendar regular session of 2024 and pursuant to standing order 33 b, this County Assembly resolves to sit on Tuesday 6th August 2024 at 9:30a.m.

(Question put and the agreed to)

Adjournment

Honourable Members, this Assembly is therefore adjourn up to Tuesday 6th august, 2024 at 9:30 am.

The Assembly rose at 3.50 PM