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*The Assembly met at the Main Assembly Chamber,*

*Dr. Joyce Laboso Centre at 2:30 p. m*

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Wednesday Afternoon 7<sup>th</sup> August, 2024

*(The Assembly met at 2:30 p.m. in the*

*County Assembly Mini Chamber at County Assembly Buildings)*

*[Hon. Deputy Speaker (Hon. L. Rotich) in the Chair]*

### PRAYER

**Hon. Deputy Speaker (Hon. L. Rotich):** Okay welcome Hon. Members; clerk kindly take us through the prayers in the order paper.

### MOTION

**Hon J. Samoei, Deputy Majority Leader (Nyangores Ward, UDA):** Hon. Deputy Speaker I beg to move the following procedural motion THAT notwithstanding the resolutions made on 28<sup>th</sup> February 2024 at 2.30 PM approving the county assembly calendar regular session 2024 and pursuant to standing order 28 (4), this county assembly resolves to adjourn until Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> August 2024 at 2.30 PM.

Mr. Speaker; the Members are planning to meet in their...

*(Hon. E. Kipkemoi rose on a point of order)*

**Hon. E. Rotich (Mogogosiek Ward, UDA):** Mr. Speaker is it in order for member representing Siongiroi ward to come dressed in an improper manner? Is he properly dressed Mr. Speaker? The Hon. member representing Siongiroi ward and this is not the first time Mr. Speaker.

**Hon. Deputy Speaker (Hon. L. Rotich):** Hon. Minority leader kindly dress appropriately; this is a Assembly of rules and regulations and it needs to be respected.

**Hon. K. Ngetich, Minority Leader (Siongiroi Ward, CCM):** On which standing order because the last time I saw the standing orders, it did not even elaborate on how to dress because I think I am properly dressed Mr. Speaker.

*(Hon. P. Mutai rose on a point of order)*

**Hon. P. Mutai (Sigor Ward, UDA):** Mr. Speaker I think your ruling is final.

**Hon. K. Ngetich, Minority Leader (Siongiroi Ward, CCM):** But ruling basing on standing orders. He can rule on anything.

**Hon. E. Kipkemoi (Mogogosiek Ward, UDA):** Mr. Speaker; this is not a hose of jokers Mr. Speaker. Your ruling should be heeded.

*(laughter)*

**Hon. Deputy Speaker (Hon. L. Rotich):** Okay Hon. Samoei kindly proceed.

**Hon J. Samoei, Deputy Majority Leader (Nyangores Ward, UDA):** So Mr. Speaker, the Hon. Members are planning to and meet in their various sectoral committees to review the budget of 2023/2024 Mr. Speaker so they are requesting for time over the weekend so that they can sit down and review. I urge all Hon. Members in this Assembly and Mr. Speaker...

**Hon. Deputy Speaker (Hon. L. Rotich):** Hon. Benard?

**Hon. J. Samoei, Deputy Leader of Majority (Nyangores ward, UDA):** I don't need any correction Mr. Speaker.

**Hon. B. Langat (Kembu ward, UDA):** No, I am correcting the statement Hon. Deputy Speaker. Mr. Speaker the deputy leader of majority is talking of the review of budget of 2023/2024 for records Mr. Speaker...

*(Hon. R. Ruttoh, Majority Whip (Chemamer ward, UDA) rose on a point of order)*

**Hon. R. Ruttoh, Majority Whip (Chemamer ward, UDA):** I just want to inquire from you Mr. Speaker to clarify if there is a point of correction in this Assembly Mr. Speaker, that is what I lack to understand Mr. Speaker.

**Hon. Deputy Speaker (Hon. L. Rotich):** Let us give him time to tell us...

**Hon. B. Langat (Kembu ward, UDA):** Alright Mr. Speaker the majority whip is trying to avoid me correct this Assembly because the information we need to give to the public, we are going to review the budget of 2024/2025 because I am a member of the budget committee I want the public to know exactly what we are going to do because when we talk of 2023/2024 budget, that budget has gone and if nothing was done in your ward I am very sorry because we are reviewing for 2024/2025.

**Hon. Deputy Speaker (Hon. L. Rotich):** Hon. Samoei kindly correct.

**Hon. J. Samoei, Deputy Leader of Majority (Nyangores ward, UDA):** I accept the correction Mr. Speaker so it is the budget for 2024/2025. So, I request this Hon. Assembly to debate and approve this motion and I request majority whip, Hon. Ruttoh to second.

**Hon. R. Ruttoh, Majority Whip (Chemamer ward, UDA):** Okay thank you very much Mr. Speaker for giving me this opportunity and I am very glad today to realize that we have a point of correction instead of point of information and other things Mr. Speaker which I have known as per the standing order of this Assembly. However, I want to also take this opportunity to applaud our deputy majority leader for requesting for this procedural motion to be approved by this Assembly because I know the Hon. Members for the last two weeks they have been very busy running up and down concerning the business of this Assembly and they are also human beings who deserve to have time with their families and also beside that they also have other commitments regarding the budget of 2024/2025 which I believe this county government of Bomet is eager for the same

because we know that all the development are on standstill since it has not been approved. Therefore, this is the right time for the committee on budget and all the sectoral committees to go and peruse through the budget so that by next week we shall approve the budget so that we can allow the executive to run the implementation of various projects in our wards.

Mr. Speaker this Assembly should also get time to do some thorough follow-up on some various notices of motions which have been laid by different Members of this Assembly so that as by next week we shall all have vital information when it comes to the discussion of the same. I therefore request this Hon. Assembly to support this motion and I want to say that I second this motion as requested by the deputy majority, thank you very much Mr. Speaker.

**Hon. Deputy Speaker (Hon. L. Rotich):** Okay thank you the motion mover and the seconder, I now propose that notwithstanding the resolution made on 28<sup>th</sup> February 2024 at 2:30pm approving the county assembly calendar regular sessions 2024 and pursuant to standing order 28,4 this county assembly resolves to adjourn until Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> august 2024 at 2:30pm, the floor is now open for debate. Hon. Ernest.

**Hon. E. Rotich (Mogogosiek ward, UDA):** Thank you very much Mr. Speaker for the opportunity that you've accorded me also to support the motion that has been brought about by the deputy majority leader Hon. Joseah. In supporting the same Mr. Speaker, I must commend Hon. Joseah for seeing the need for us to proceed on a short recess. Mr. Speaker there is a lot of activities lined up ahead of us. With what we have been going through, it has been tough for us in terms of trying to play our oversight role. At this point in time, where we have tabled the Notices on impeachment Motions a fresh, I take this opportunity to celebrate the ruling by the courts at Kericho Employments Court. The Court has given us a green light to continue with the process of impeaching the embattled CECMs.

Hon. Deputy Speaker, I must laud this Assembly for the wisdom of reintroducing the Notices of Motions. This was a good move by this Assembly. It has shown that this Assembly is resilient and that it is independent in making its own decisions. I believe that this recess that we are taking is for us to prepare the tabling on Tuesday and give us an opportunity to embark on the budget making process since we are still waiting for the CARA Bill by the National Assembly so that we can proceed to finish the business of budget making that we had started. This break will ensure that we come back strong and energized.

Thank you.

**Hon. Deputy Speaker (Hon. L. Rotich):** Hon. Benard

**Hon. B. Langat (Kembu Ward, UDA):** Hon. Deputy Speaker, thank you. The Motion by the Hon. Deputy Leader of Majority is a good Motion as it allows us to review. In his Motion, we are

meant to take a break to review the Budget of 2024/25. I would like to add some other things that we should be considering in this break.

For the last two years, Hon. Deputy Speaker, especially in the Committee on Trade which I chair, I saw that we have allocated around Ksh. 25 Million for ‘*bodaboda*’ shades. We have shades that have already been constructed and we need to have a review. We can reallocate that money to cooperative or Saccos to help our youth.

I support the Motion. Thank you.

**Hon. P. Mutai (Sigor Ward, UDA):** Hon. Deputy Speaker, thank you. I wish to support the Motion moved by the Deputy Leader of Majority that we break for a few days to allow us to retreat and have a discussion on budget. When we shall be reviewing the budget, we have to consider youths and bring in the issue of internship. We also have to discuss on some of the amendments in the budget.

What is more important is that this adjournment is well guided by the business and activities that we are yet to transact next week on the three CECMs. I think that it has been planned well by the Assembly business Mr. Speaker such that when we shall be coming in on Tuesday all those motion will have been factored in such that we transact our business based on the calendar and I believe we might change the calendar next instead of going for the long recess, we can still discuss so that we can still transact more business in this Assembly.

Allow me also to support this motion moved by the deputy Majority Leader, thank you.

**Hon. Deputy Speaker (Hon. L. Rotich):** Hon. Nathan.

**Hon. N. Kibet, (Kapletundo ward, UDA):** Hon. Speaker, I rise to support the motion moved by Deputy Majority Leader. The last two weeks has been a very busy one and the business that we have currently in the Assembly needs some new strategies so by adjourning till Tuesday it will give us an opportunity to focus on the journey that we have come and also plan on where we are heading to. We also have serious businesses in this Assembly, one of them is the issue of budget and I know most of the Members in this Assembly may need to learn on how to deal with vote on supply, so we will use this time in our committees to learn on ways on how to handle the issue on vote on supply. So Hon. Speaker I support this motion. Thank you.

**Hon. Deputy Speaker (Hon. L. Rotich):** Hon. Caroline.

**Hon. C. Chelangat, (Nominated MCA, UDA):** Thank you Mr. Speaker, I also rise to support the motion moved by Deputy Majority Leader, Hon. Joseah. First may I thank the Chair of the budget and also the Chair of Finance for the best they have done. We need to go and see the budget through and then we hand over to the budget committee and this time round I think we will be keen enough in our budget so I support the motion moved by the Deputy Majority Leader Hon. Joseah, thank you.

**Hon. Deputy Speaker (Hon. L. Rotich):** Hon. Rosaline.

**Hon. R. Cheptoo, (Rongena/Manaret ward, UDA):** Thank you Mr. Speaker, I also rise in support of the motion moved by our Deputy Majority Leader, as you are aware our residents were waiting for the motion which we tabled yesterday concerning the impeachment of the three CECs and I just want to assure the residents of Bomet that we are on and on Tuesday we will be discussing that motion and it will allow us to allow the CECs to come and we hear their issues of which the impeachment will continue as usual as we had started. I also want to say that concerning the budget, we are going to see the budget for this financial year 2024/2025, as we are going to review, there are some departments which we feel we should consider and especially the department of Cooperative, department of Urban and department of Agriculture. We have been giving a lot of money to some of the departments especially the department of Water, Roads, and Education and sometimes we feel that the impact has not been felt in Bomet County, so my suggestion is that this time round we consider empowering our youths through cooperatives and supporting our farmers through agriculture and also the urban sector the business men and women in our various markets. We should consider giving them priority so they can feel that the county government of Bomet is doing the necessary to consider them. Otherwise I support the motion.

**Hon. Deputy Speaker (Hon. L. Rotich):** Okay, thank you I want to put the question that notwithstanding the resolution made on 28<sup>th</sup> February 2024, at 2:30 p.m approving the County Assembly calendar regular session 2024 and pursuant to standing order 28 (4) this County Assembly resolves to adjourn until Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> August, 2024 at 2:30 pm.

*(Question put and agreed to)*

This sitting adjourns to Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> August 2024 at 2:30p.m

*The Assembly rose at 2.55 p.m*