REPUBLIC OF KENYA

MANDERA COUNTY ASSEMBLY

THE HANSARD

Thursday, 30th April 2020

Special Sitting

(Convened vide Kenya Gazette Notice No. 3290 of 27th April 2020)

The House met at the Assembly Chambers County Assembly Buildings, at 9.03 am

[The Speaker (Hon. M. A. Khalif) in the Chair]

PRAYER

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CHAIR

GUIDELINES ON SPECIAL SITTING AND BUSINESS TO BE CONSIDERED

The Speaker (Hon. M. A. Khalif): Honorable Members, as you are aware on 11th March 2020, the World Health Organization declared the COVID-19 (Corona Virus) as a health pandemic. As you are further aware, on 17th March 202, I issued communication on Covid-19 that has been spreading along the globe and so far claimed many lives and which currently remains risk to human existence. Our own country Kenya has been grappling with challenges of Covid-19 and up to yesterday there are 384 positive confirmed cases.

Hon. Members, you are also aware that President Uhuru Kenyatta also made address to the nation on March 15th 2020 following confirmation of two more Corona Virus cases in Kenya. We are duty bound as the legislatures at the County level to take responsibility to ensure that we comply with the various advisory of the Government both the National and the County especially on guidelines of sittings within the precinct of the Assembly and where necessary, contain and mitigate against the spread of Corona Virus.

I, therefore, refer you to the guidelines on the Special Sitting today for Thursday 30^{th} April, 2020 and Monday 4^{th} May, 2020, which has been shared in various forums.

Hon. Members, I once again remind all Honorable Members and Staff to wash hands regularly, use sanitizer and use face mask in order to upscale our hygiene.

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Hon. Members, you are aware that Hon. Members have been notified pursuant to the provisions of the Standing Order 29 (1) (3) on Special Sitting for consideration of El-wak Municipality Charter, Mandera County Emergency Fund and Disaster Management Bill 2019 (Second and Third Readings). I want to remind you that not all these businesses are in the Order Paper of this morning because the business has already been committed to the relevant committees for consideration and reporting to the House. The above two businesses will be on the Order Paper on 4th May, 2020 at 9:00 am Special Sitting for consideration by the House.

Thank you.

MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR

NOMINEE FOR COUNTY PUBLIC SERVICE BOARD MEMBER-MRS. HALIMA DAHIR ABDI

The Speaker (Hon. M. A. Khalif): Honorable Members, in accordance with the provisions of Standing Order 42 (1), I wish to convey a Message from His Excellency, Governor Ali Ibrahim Roba regarding the proposed Nomination of Halima Dahir Abdi of Identity Number 8760022 for Mandera County Public Service Board Member.

The message reads, and I quote, 'Reference is made to your letter Ref. No. MCG/GOV/MCA/2019/007 dated 19th July, 2019 on submission of the Nominees of Members for Mandera County Public Service Board and your letter REF No. MCA/CS/GEN/VOL.1 (48) dated 26th September, 2019 approving the nominees.

I would like to bring to your attention that one of the approved nominee Mr. Mohamed Alio Issak of Identity No. 87604418 declined the offer of appointment despite giving him sufficient time to clear with his employer—Ministry of Education. I find necessary to do replacement of the vacant position by nominating Mrs. Halima Dahir Abdi from the list of the applicant who did the interview. The selection of the nominee was based on community of interest.

The governor further stated and I quote; -

"Pursuant to section 58 of the County Government Act, 2012, I therefore submit the Nominee of Mandera County Public Service Board to the County Assembly to seek the approval".

Hon. Members, pursuant to Section 58 of the County Government Act, 2012, the notification of nomination is therefore referred to the Committee on Appointments, pursuant to the provision of Section 7 (1) of the Public Appointments (County Assemblies Approval) Act, No 5 of 2017 and Standing Order No 187 (4), for vetting and reporting to the County Assembly in accordance with Section 9 (1) of Public Appointments (County Assemblies Approval) Act, No 5 of 2017.

Thank you.

PAPERS LAID

THE MANDERA COUNTY SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ON COVID-19 AND

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THE MANDERA COUNTY COVID-19 EMERGENCY RESPONSE FUND REGULATIONS, 2020

Hon. Mohamed Ibrahim (Guticha): I beg to lay the following papers on the table of the Mandera County Assembly today Thursday 30th April 2020 at 9:00 am;

- 1. Supplementary Budget Estimates on Covid-19 2020
- 2. The Mandera County COVID-19 Emergency Response Fund Regulations, 2020

The Speaker (Hon. M. A. Khalif): Honorable Members, because of the challenges we have, there are some members who are not within Mandera. I would give them two weeks to make sure that those committees that will be dealing with the matters we have at hand to deal with members present. I refer Supplementary Budget Estimates on Covid-19 2020 to Budget and Appropriations Committee and Mandera County COVID-19 Emergency Response Fund Regulations 2020 to the Committee on Delegated County Legislation.

Thank you.

ADJOURNMENT

The Speaker (Hon. M. A. Khalif): There is no any other business. Therefore, the House stands adjourned to Monday 4th May, 2020 at 9 am.