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ORDERS OF THE DAY  
THURSDAY, 26<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER, 2024 AT 02.30 P.M

**PRAYERS**

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8. **\*Motions and Bills**

**\*8\* MOTION**

**AWARE** that Article 174(d) of the Constitution of Kenya firmly recognizes and upholds the right of communities to manage their own affairs and to further their development through the objects and principles of devolution, thereby promoting inclusive governance and equitable distribution of resources at the grassroots level.

**FURTHER AWARE** that devolution was established as a key pillar in the governance structure of Kenya with the primary objective of ensuring that communities have direct control over the planning, implementation, and management of development projects within their respective counties, enabling them to address their unique needs and priorities.

**APPRECIATING** that the County Government of Marsabit, in line with these constitutional provisions and principles, has undertaken numerous development initiatives aimed at improving the livelihoods of the residents and stimulating socio-economic growth within the county, covering diverse sectors such as infrastructure, health, education, water, and sanitation.

**NOTING THAT** these development projects, if successfully implemented and maintained, have the potential to significantly uplift the standards of living for the people of Marsabit County by providing essential services, improving access to basic amenities, and fostering sustainable growth. **FURTHER NOTING THAT** despite the best efforts of the County Government in initiating and executing these projects, a trend has emerged where many

of these crucial development projects have been subjected to vandalism and destruction, thereby undermining the county's development agenda, wasting public resources, and causing the public to lose trust in the devolution process;

**COGNIZANT OF THE** fact that the continuous vandalism of public property not only leads to massive financial losses but also severely distracts the intended benefits that these projects were meant to deliver, leaving communities deprived of essential services and amenities and negatively impacting the overall development trajectory of the county. **CONCERNED THAT** if immediate and decisive actions are not taken to address this escalating problem, the noble objectives and principles of devolution, as set out in the Constitution, will not be fully realized in Marsabit County, thereby depriving the local communities of the benefits intended under the devolved system of government.

**NOW, THEREFORE,** this House **RESOLVES** to take urgent measures to safeguard the development projects implemented by the County Government of Marsabit and to protect them from acts of vandalism and destruction by undertaking the following steps:

1. Employing dedicated security personnel at all key development project sites within the county to ensure round-the-clock protection against vandalism, thereby safeguarding public assets and ensuring the sustainability of the projects for the benefit of the local communities;
2. Establishing clear protocols for the proper and systematic handover of completed development projects to the local communities, ensuring that they fully understand the importance of these projects and fostering a strong sense of community ownership and responsibility over these initiatives to deter vandalism from within;
3. Taking firm legal action against individuals or groups involved in the deliberate destruction or damage of public property, including but not limited to, pursuing criminal charges against offenders, imposing fines, and seeking restitution for damages to ensure accountability and deter future incidents of vandalism; and
4. Engage in public education and sensitization campaigns aimed at raising awareness within the community about the value of development projects.

(HON.TURA RURU, MCA NORTH HERR WARD)



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