

REPUBLIC OF KENYA COUNTY GOVERNMENT OF NYAMIRA THE COUNTY ASSEMBLY OFFICE OF THE SPEAKER



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SPEECH BY THE SPEAKER OF THE COUNTY ASSEMBLY ON OPENING OF THE SECOND SESSION OF THE SECOND ASSEMBLY, TUESDAY, 12TH FEBRUARY, 2019

Your Excellency the Governor;

Your Excellency the Deputy Governor;

The Esteemed Leaders of the County Assembly;

Honorable Members;

County Executive Committee Members;

Chief Officers;

Invited Guests:

Ladies and gentlemen;

It is with immense gratitude and honor that I welcome you to this opening of the Third Session of the Second Assembly. Your presence here is a true testimony of your individual and collective commitment to the devolution agenda and consequent development of our county.

Honorable Members.

Coming out of a long recess, I believe you are all relaxed, re-energized and ready to once again embark on your core mandate of legislation, representation and oversight as enshrined in the constitution of this great nation.

The Public Officers Ethics Act, the Leadership and Integrity Act and the County Assemblies Powers and Privileges Act, 2017 further augment the immense responsibility bestowed upon this honorable House. The overriding tenet in these pieces of legislation notably is integrity which is an invaluable asset in public service.

In this regard I thank the almighty God for keeping us all healthy and reuniting us here today. Just to echo the words of our Assembly prayer may His continued blessings descend upon us here assembled and that He may behold us with abundant favor as we deliberate on matters brought before us in so just and faithful a manner.

Honorable Members,

The County Assemblies Service Act No. 24 of 2017 Section 11 (1)(e), obliges the County Assembly Service Board to provide services and facilities that are necessary for the well-being of the honorable Members and staff of the County Assembly. In this regard, I must admit that we have had a big challenge caused by lack of enough committee rooms which has at times compelled County Assembly Committees to sit outside the precincts of this honorable institution. Whereas this is well within the confines of the law, honorable Members there is every deliberate effort from the leadership of this institution to ensure that all such meetings are held within the County Assembly. The ongoing construction of an ultra-modern Office Block is a true testimony of that endeavor.

Honorable Members,

As we embark on the 3rd Session of the Second Assembly we should be alive to the fact that there are a number of pending matters that need to be dispensed with as soon as possible. These include Committee reports that touch on the reconstitution of House Committees and debate on nominees to various County positions. I encourage this honorable House to deal with such matter on first in first out (FIFO) basis.

Ladies and Gentlemen,

As the Speaker of this honorable Assembly, I wish to give my continued assurance that these honorable Members will always do whatever it takes to deliver on their mandate and I call upon all of us to support the leaders in that regard.

Finally, the Office of the Speaker invites all of you to a luncheon at Borabu Inn Hotel.

Thank you all and may God bless the great County of Nyamira.

THE HON. MOFFAT TEYA SPEAKER OF THE COUNTY ASSEMBLY OF NYAMIRA

Tuesday, 12th February, 2019