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**THE COUNTY GOVERNMENT OF KISUMU**

**KISUMU COUNTY ASSEMBLY.**

**THIRD ASSEMBLY**

**(4<sup>th</sup> SESSION)**

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MHP*

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**MOTION ON THE MATTER OF EQUIPPING COMMUNITY HEALTH PROMOTERS**

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**THAT, AWARE THAT** the Community Health Promoters (CHPs) play a critical frontline role in the delivery of primary healthcare services across the sub-counties, wards, and villages of Kisumu County, serving as the first point of contact between communities and the formal health system, particularly in hard-to-reach and underserved areas.

**NOTING THAT,** the Community Health Promoters operate under the Community Health Strategy as envisioned in Kenya's Health Policy Framework, the Kenya Community Health Policy 2020-2030, and the Constitution of Kenya, 2010, which mandates the devolved units to ensure the progressive realization of the right to the highest attainable standard of health for every resident.

**ACKNOWLEDGING THAT,** the effective execution of the duties of Community Health Promoters is largely dependent on the availability of appropriate tools and equipment including but not limited to blood pressure monitors, glucometers and test strips, weighing scales (adult and infant), thermometers, mid-upper arm circumference (MUAC) tapes, delivery kits, community health information kits, personal protective equipment (PPE), and functional communication devices to enable timely reporting and referrals.

**FURTHER ACKNOWLEDGING THAT,** the vast majority of Community Health Promoters in Kisumu County currently operate without adequate equipment, thereby severely undermining their capacity to screen, monitor, refer, and follow up on patients suffering from non-communicable diseases, maternal and child health conditions, and other preventable illnesses, leading to avoidable morbidity and mortality in the County.

**COGNIZANT THAT** the County Government of Kisumu has, in previous financial years, allocated budgetary resources under the Department of Health towards community health services, yet the actual disbursement and procurement of equipment for Community Health Promoters has

remained inadequate, uncoordinated, and in some instances, completely absent, leaving the CHPs to rely on their own resources or go without.

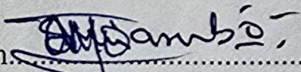
**DEEPLY CONCERNED THAT**, the continued failure to equip the Community Health Promoters adequately not only undermines the spirit and intent of the Community Health Promoters Act of 2023 and the Universal Health Coverage (UHC) agenda, but also erodes community trust in the health system, discourages volunteerism and commitment among the CHPs, and exposes communities to preventable health crises that could otherwise be addressed at the household and community level.

**RECOGNIZING THAT**, equipping Community Health Promoters is a cost-effective and high-impact intervention that would significantly reduce the burden on health facilities, improve health outcomes, strengthen disease surveillance, and contribute towards the achievement of the Sustainable Development Goal 3 on Good Health and Well-Being, as well as Kenya's Big Four Agenda on Universal Health Coverage.

**NOW THEREFORE, in order to fulfill the requirements of the Constitution and relevant laws; I PRAY THAT THIS ASSEMBLY DO RESOLVE:**

- a) THAT the Department of Health and Sanitation, Kisumu County, be directed to urgently conduct a comprehensive needs assessment of all registered Community Health Promoters within the County to establish the specific equipment gaps and develop a priority procurement list within thirty (30) days upon adoption of this motion.
- b) THAT the County Executive Committee Member for Health and Sanitation be directed to ensure that adequate budgetary provisions are made in the current and subsequent financial year estimates to cater for the procurement and distribution of essential health equipment for all Community Health Promoters in Kisumu County.
- c) THAT the County Government of Kisumu, through the relevant department, fast-tracks the procurement and equitable distribution of the identified essential equipment to all Community Health Promoters across the eight (8) sub-counties within sixty (60) days of the completion of the needs assessment.
- d) THAT a monitoring and accountability framework be established to ensure that all procured equipment reaches the intended Community Health Promoters and that records of distribution are maintained and made available to the County Assembly upon request.

I wish to call upon Hon. \_\_\_\_\_ to second.

Sign: 

**The Hon. Moses Ochele, MCA.**

(Member for East-Kano Wawidhi Ward)

Date: 2<sup>nd</sup> April, 2025