



COUNTY ASSEMBLY OF KISUMU



THIRD ASSEMBLY -FIRST SESSION

MOTION BY HON. EMILY OGINGA

Hon. Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order No.48, I beg to move the following motion:

AWARE that Article 54 of the Constitution of Kenya 2010 provides for facilitative measures for dignified treatment of and access to information and materials by persons with disability.

FURTHER AWARE that the Persons with Disability Act 2003 provides for the rights and rehabilitation of persons with disabilities; to achieve equalization of access to opportunities, services and information amongst other facilitative affirmative provisions.

NOTING that the 2019 National Census report, placed Kisumu County as having the 5th highest disability rate at 4% of total County population after Siaya (4.1%), Makueni (4.1%), Homa Bay (4.3%) and Embu at 4.4%

NOTING FURTHER that the Kisumu County Integrated Development Plan 2018 -2022 also documents that 52,517 people in Kisumu County are living with disability out of a total population of 1,358,837 people out of which 7,477 are hearing impaired, and 16,162 are visually impaired.

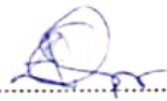
CONCERNED that the County Assembly of Kisumu does not have a sign language interpreter thus denying persons with hearing impairment access to information from the Assembly proceedings and functions. AND that documents of the Assembly and those of the County Executive are NOT converted into braille thus inaccessible to the visually impaired.

RECOGNIZING that persons living with disability have the right to access and make use of all services offered by the County Government of Kisumu especially the right to access to information pursuant to Article 35 of the Constitution of Kenya and the Access to Information Act 2016.

SPEAKER OF COUNTY
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Approved
29/11/2022

NOW THEREFORE, this HOUSE RESOLVES:

1. THAT the Kisumu County Assembly Services Board immediately engages the services of a sign language interpreter(s) to facilitate the uptake of and use of sign language in all Assembly proceedings and functions
2. THAT the County Assembly Services Board makes necessary budgetary allocations during the financial year 2023/2024 for the provisions of braille and other disability friendly infrastructure within County Assembly service points.

Signature:  Date: 24/11/2022
HON. EMILLY OGINGA, MCA