COUNTY GOVERNMENT OF KISUMU

COUNTY ASSEMBLY OF KISUMU

THE HANSARD

Official Report

THIRD ASSEMBLY – FOURTH SESSION

Tuesday, 03rd June, 2025

House met in the Main Chamber at 2:30 p.m.

[The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Nereah Okombo) in the chair]

PRAYER

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta "B"): Honourable members, in line with the provisions of Orders No. 32 (2) of the Kisumu County Assembly Standing Orders, I direct that the Quorum bell to be rung for the first five minutes.

(The Quorum Bell being rang)

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta "B"): Honourable Members, similarly, in view of the same Order, I direct that the quorum bell be rung for a further five minutes.

(The Quorum Bell being rang)

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta "B"): Honourable Whip, kindly take your seat. The Serjeant-at-Arms, can you close the door?

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta "B"): Honourable Members, allow me refer you to Standing Order No. 32 (1) which states that;

A quorum of the County Assembly or of a Committee of the whole County Assembly shall cause shall be a third of its Members and in this case a third of the Members 16.

(2)) If there is not a quorum present when the Chair is taken at the time appointed for a meeting of the County Assembly, immediately after the saying of the Prayer, the Speaker shall order the bell to be rung for five minutes, and if no quorum is present at the expiration of the five minutes, the Speaker may direct that the bell be rung for further five minutes and if there is still no quorum present, the Speaker shall adjourn the County Assembly forthwith to the next sitting.

Honourable members, we understand that the quorum is sixteen for this House to legally transact into Business. Again, from where I am seated, I am not aware of any House Committee that is out on any official duty that warrants lack of quorum. I am equally aware that, Members are sitting at the lounge and abdicating their roles to conduct their Business while drawing allowances for their responsibility.

Honourable members, when we campaigned to be elected to this House, we knew that we were competing against others candidates who also had a genuine interest in representing the people. However, when Members come here to settle their personal scores or behave as though they are being forced to attend House Sessions—despite receiving allowances to fulfill their duties—then, as the Deputy Speaker, my responsibility is simply to enforce the Standing Orders.

ADJOURNMENT

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta "B"): Honourable members, therefore, this House stands adjourned until tomorrow Wednesday, 04th June, 2025 at 09:00 a.m.

(House rose 02:45p.m.)

Addendum

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