



REPUBLIC OF KENYA  
COUNTY GOVERNMENT OF GARISSA  
GARISSA COUNTY ASSEMBLY  
COMMUNICATION FROM THE CHAIR,  
WELCOME ADDRESS FROM SHORT RECESS  
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**Honorable Members,** May I first take this moment to welcome you all back after our short recess. it's my pleasure and duty to once again welcome you all to yet other sittings of this August House as we discharge our public duties. I trust that you have had a chance to recharge and spend some quality time with your loved ones and reflect on the important work that lies ahead of us.

**Honorable Members,** in this regard I want to emphasize that the House shall embark to discharge its Constitutional mandates as enshrined in article 185 of the Constitution and other connecting legislations even more religiously.

**Honorable Members**, as we reconvene, let us be reminded of the responsibility bestowed upon us to serve our electorates and the nation with diligence, integrity, and commitment. This is a critical time for all of us, and our collective efforts will have a lasting impact on the future of our people. However, this may not be practically possible without objective focus on areas of challenges and weaknesses to strengthen as an institution going forward.

**Honorable Members**, the challenges before us are significant, but so are the opportunities to make real and meaningful progress. I encourage each of you to approach our discussions and decisions with the same vigor, thoughtfulness, and dedication that you have demonstrated throughout your service.

**Honorable Members**, I believe that progressive development shall only be realized through appreciation of our embedding challenges and the need to positively reform for effective result-oriented success.

**Honorable members**, it's my guided observation that the noble task of serving our society bestowed on us by Constitution of Kenya 2010 requires our utmost dedication and concerted efforts as a team whilst also appreciating the

need to scale up in revamping other need areas critical to our work. I thus, going forward, wish to underscore as follows: -

1. That we individually and collectively improve on our attendance to the House businesses as the cardinal step towards scaling our effectiveness and efficiency. Members, the plenary and committee meetings are the major tools of exercising our mandates as legislators and we are thus tantamount to failure if we forsake the need for strict adherence of the same. My administration will take facilitative measures to effect the work of the committees as the cardinal tools to that work.
2. **Honorable members**, in appreciation of progressive growth I reiterate the need for continuous capacity building for both our members and technical team. My administration will take cognizant of

this fact and ensure transparency in the County Assembly Service Board going forward.

3. **Honorable members**, I wish to further underscore the invaluable need to revamp our committee operations and services. The committee services are the nucleus of the assembly work and thus the need for its effectiveness cannot be under estimated by my administration.

**Honorable Members**, I am pleased to inform you that the new chamber in our recently completed building is ready for occupancy. As such, we will relocate to the new chamber next week. Please note the following important details regarding this transition:

**Honorable Members**, the relocation date: will officially begin on 10<sup>th</sup> September 2024.

**Honorable Members**, the sitting arrangement in the new chamber has been updated.

**Honorable Members**, we ask for your punctuality and cooperation as we settle into the new environment. this relocation marks the beginning of a new chapter, and I trust that the enhanced facilities will contribute

to more effective proceedings. Your cooperation in making this move smooth and efficient is greatly appreciated.

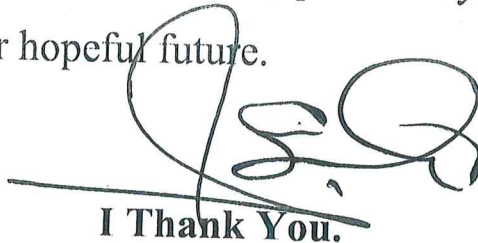
**Honorable Members,** I also want to bring to your attention the importance of following up on all resolutions passed by this House, including motions, statements, and bills. As we carry out our mandate, it is imperative that we ensure that the decisions we make are effectively implemented and monitored. To this end, I direct all Honorable Members to take the following actions. Each honorable Member, is expected to diligently follow up on all resolutions, whether they pertain to motions, statements, or bills, for which they are the primary sponsors or stakeholders. the status of each resolution should be closely monitored to ensure timely implementation.

**Hon members,** it is crucial that we maintain accountability for the resolutions we pass. This not only reinforces the credibility of our work but also ensures that we uphold the trust placed on us by the people we represent. I ask for your full commitment in ensuring that the resolutions of this House are followed through to completion.

**Hon members,** working together to monitor and enforce the decisions of the House, we reinforce the effectiveness of our legislative duties and the impact of our work has on the ground.

**Honorable members**, having made the foregoing remarks it's my solemn pleasure once again to welcome you all to this this August House and my humble plea for your continued cooperation as we discharge our noble duties to the public. let us work together, regardless of our differences, to advance the interests of our communities and the nation as a whole. let us continue to strive for excellence in all that we do. I look forward to productive and constructive engagements in the days and weeks ahead.

**Hon Members**, it is worthwhile to note that we owe our people both individual and collective responsibility. Indeed, honest leadership is our hopeful future.



I Thank You.

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