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ORDER OF THE DAY

WEDNESDAY 11TH SEPTEMBER, 2024 AT 2:30 P.M

ORDER OF BUSINESS

PRAYER

- 1. Administration of Oath
- 2. Communication from the Chair
- 3. Messages
- 4. Petitions
- 5*. Papers

(HON MOHAMED ABDI FARAH MAJORITY LEADER)

Hon. Speaker, I beg to lay the following Paper on the table of the House today, morning 2024;

- 1) The Auditor General Report on Garissa County level 5 Referral and Teaching Hospital for the year ended 30th June, 2022
- 2) The Annual Development Plan FY 2025/2026
- 3) The Auditor General Report on Garissa County level 5 Referral and Teaching Hospital for the year ended 30th June, 2023

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6*. Notices of motion

1. Hon Speaker, I beg to give notice of the following motion:

That, aware that, article 43 (1) of the constitution provides that every person has the right to the highest attainable standards of health, which includes the right to health care services, including reproductive healthcare.

Further aware that, Health Services including County Health facilities and primary health care have been devolved to the County Governments pursuant to paragraph 2 of Part Two of the fourth Schedule of the Constitution.

Noting That, the population served by Afweine Dispensary has significantly increased, and the demand for a wider range of health services has grown beyond the current capacity of the dispensary. Afweine Dispensary is limited in its ability to provide comprehensive medical care, including emergency services, maternal health, and specialized outpatient services due to its current status as a dispensary. These dispensary plays a vital role in providing essential healthcare services to the people of Afweine and the surrounding communities

Appreciating That, upgrading of Afweine Dispensary to a health center would greatly enhance healthcare access and improve health outcomes by providing better infrastructure, equipment, staffing, and expanded medical services, including laboratory, pharmacy, maternity, and outpatient services. the upgrading of the dispensary would support the County Government's commitment to improving healthcare infrastructure, reducing the distance patients have to travel to access essential medical services, and enhancing the overall wellbeing of the community;

Now therefore, this Assembly urges the County Executive Committee Members (CECM) for Health to upgrade Afweine Dispensary to a health center, including the allocation of necessary funds, the construction of additional facilities, procurement of equipment, and hiring of qualified personnel to ensure the provision of comprehensive healthcare services to the community.

(HON HASSAN DAHIR NOOR-MCA BARAKI WARD)

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2. Hon Speaker, I beg to give notice of the following motion:

That, Aware That, the constitutional provisions and statutory framework governing health care in Kenya, particularly the Constitution of Kenya 2010 and the County Government Act 2012, recognizes the urgent need for enhanced health services in Garissa County, specifically in Damajale wards;

Further Aware That, Article 43 of the Constitution of Kenya guarantees every individual the right to the highest attainable standard of health, including reproductive health care.

Cognizant of the fact, the County Government Act, 2012, under Section 107, mandates the County Government to provide health services to its residents; hereby acknowledges the pressing need to upgrade health facilities in Garissa County, specifically in Damajale wards

Appreciating that, in the current financial year 2024/2025, the Assembly has allocated sufficient budgetary resources to the Department of Health for the purpose of upgrading high-volume dispensaries to health care centers, this Assembly is compelled to address the health care deficits affecting our constituents.

Noting that, Damajale ward is presently served by two dispensaries that meet the requisite criteria for elevation to a health care center, considering their high patient volumes and the critical services they provide, including maternity care, laboratory services, and inpatient facilities. The community relies heavily on these dispensaries, yet the nearest health care center is located approximately 70 kilometers away in Dadaab, resulting in significant barriers to access. Such distances contribute to delays in emergency medical services, with serious implications for maternal and infant health. By upgrading these dispensaries to a health care center, we shall provide our constituents with timely and essential health services in proximity to their homes.

Now therefore, this Assembly urges the County Executive Committee Member for Health to expedite the upgrade of Damajale's dispensaries to a health care center, thereby enhancing access to comprehensive health services for the community.

(HON OMAR ABDI HASSAN-MCA DAMAJALE WARD)

- 7. Statements
- 8. Motions and Bills