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# <u>THE COUNTY ASSEMBLY OF THARAKA NITHI</u> <u>SECOND ASSEMBLY – (FIFTH SESSION)</u> <u>VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS</u> <u>TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 7<sup>TH</sup>, 2021 AT 2.30 P.M.</u>

- 1. The Assembly assembled at thirty minutes past Two O'clock.
- 2. The Proceedings were opened with Prayer said by the Hon. Speaker

## 3. <u>MOTION -ESTABLISHMENT OF CULTURAL DEVELOPMENT POLICIES IN</u> <u>THARAKA NITHI COUNTY</u>

(Hon. Denis Mutwiri Muthitu, MCA)

THAT, whereas Tharaka Nithi is a multi-ethnic county with rich and diverse cultural resources such as traditional medicine and foods, arts, craft, music, dances, dress among others;

AWARE THAT, the Constitution, in its preamble acknowledges the cultural diversity of the Kenyan people who are determined to live in peace and unity as one indivisible sovereign nation whilst, Article 11 of the Kenyan Constitution recognizes culture as the foundation of the nation;

NOTING THAT, while the Department of Education, Youths, Sports, Culture and Social Services has been playing some of the key roles in promotion of cultural integration, formulation of policies and standards that will guide the development of culture, little information has been available to the Tharaka Nithi County community;

ACKNOWLEDGING, that culture performs a significant role in the life of a child, the cultural background in which a child is brought up affects the totality of his or her life's activities;

CONCERNED, that our children are losing their sense of identity due to the negative influences due to inadequate cultural identity catalyzed by globalization which has led to catastrophic consequences to the next generation as experienced in our county where a majority of young people are showing Symptoms of feeling suicidal, anxious, feeling of hopelessness, anger, violence, feeling isolated, and paranoia; NOW THEREFORE, the County Assembly urges the County Executive Committee Member in charge of Culture and Social Services to –

- a) Formulate cultural development policies and initiatives to inculcate stronger community values, safeguard Tharaka Nithi County's heritage, recognize local heroes and promote socio-cultural opportunities in the county; and
- b) Formulate strategies to create an enabling environment for protection and promotion of diversity of cultural expressions in the County.

Order read,

Motion made and question proposed;

Debate arising;

There being no other Member wishing to contribute;

Mover replied;

#### Question put and agreed to.

#### **RESOLVED ACCORDINGLY;**

**THAT,** this County Assembly urges the County Executive Committee Member in charge of Culture and Social Services to –

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- b) Formulate strategies to create an enabling environment for protection and promotion of diversity of cultural expressions in the County.
- 4. **<u>COUNTY ASSEMBLY ROSE</u>** at half past three O'clock.

### <u>MEMORANDUM</u>

The Speaker will take the Chair on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> September 2021 at 9.30 a.m. ---xxxxxx---