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COUNTY GOVERNMENT OF LAMU

COUNTY ASSEMBLY OF LAMU

THIRD ASSEMBLY – FOURTH SESSION

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

THURSDAY, APRIL 3, 2025, 2:30 PM

1. The Assembly assembled at Two thirty O'clock.
2. The Proceedings were opened with prayers
3. **NOTICES OF MOTION (MCA FAHAD DINI ADNAN)**

Subject: Motion to Regulate Expenditure on Annual Cultural Festival in Compliance with Public Finance Management Act

ACKNOWLEDGING the cultural significance of our annual festival and its role in promoting our county's rich heritage

NOTING WITH CONCERN that the festival's expenditures have escalated over the years, consuming substantial county resources without a governing legislative framework;

RECOGNIZING the necessity for fiscal responsibility and adherence to the Public Finance Management Act, 2012, which mandates prudent use of public funds and effective financial management;

FURTHER NOTING that Section 125 of the Public Finance Management Act outlines the stages in the county budget process, including integrated development planning and establishment of financial priorities;

CONCERNED that the current expenditure on the cultural festival may not align with these stipulated processes, potentially leading to unauthorized or irregular spending;

We therefore resolve to:

- 4. Direct** the County Executive Committee Member for Finance to conduct a comprehensive audit of the past five years' expenditures related to the annual cultural festival and present a detailed report to this Assembly within 60 days;
- 5. Mandate** the establishment of a clear legislative framework governing the planning, budgeting, and execution of the cultural festival, ensuring compliance with the Public Finance Management Act and other relevant laws;
- 6. Require** that future budgets for the cultural festival be subjected to thorough scrutiny during the county's annual budget process, as stipulated in Sections 125 and 130 of the Public Finance Management Act, to ensure transparency, accountability, and value for money;
- 7. Ensure** that any expenditure on the cultural festival is included in the County Fiscal Strategy Paper and the Annual Development Plan, aligning with the county's strategic priorities and financial objectives;
- 8. Call upon** the County Budget and Economic Forum, as established under Section 137 of the Public Finance Management Act, to engage in public consultations regarding the cultural festival's funding, ensuring community involvement and support;
- 9. Suspend** any further allocations of county funds to the cultural festival until the aforementioned audit is completed and a governing legislative framework is enacted.

STATEMENT TO BE ISSUED

The Chair of the Departmental Committee on Agriculture, Fisheries and Blue Economy will responded to a statement raised by Member for Mkunumbi MCA Paul Kimani Njuguna regarding distribution of certified seeds.

- 10. THE ASSEMBLY ROSE** – at three thirty O'clock.

M E M O R A N D U M

*The Speaker will take the Chair
When communicated*