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**REPUBLIC OF KENYA
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THE COUNTY ASSEMBLY

ORDER OF THE DAY

WEDNESDAY, 29TH NOVEMBER, 2023 AT 10.00 A.M.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

PRAYERS

1. Administration of Oath
2. Communication from the Chair
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5. Papers (As listed in the Appendix)
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7. Statements

8*MOTION – APPROVAL OF MOTION ONPUTTING UP MEASURES TO HANDLE TEETHING IN CHILDREN**

(Hon. Judas Ndawa – Leader of Minority/ MCA: Matuu Ward)

Honorable Speaker; THAT aware that Article 43(1)(a) of the Constitution of Kenya, 2010 provides that; every person has the right to the highest attainable standard of health, which includes the right to health care services, including reproductive health care; further aware that Article 53(1) (c) and (d) of the same Constitution states that every child has the right to basic nutrition, shelter and health care; and to be protected from abuse, neglect, harmful cultural practices, all forms of violence, inhuman treatment and punishment and hazardous or exploitive labour;

Aware that cutting of a child's teeth gum is a cultural practice common in the Kamba Community where mothers or caregivers use ash tone or coarse sodium bicarbonate stone to rub off the gum pads of a baby until they bleed just when teething is about to happen;

Further aware that in other cases, sharp objects like razor blades and knives are used to cut the gums and expose the underlying teeth buds and aware that in all these cases, the procedures are done without anesthesia with the child bearing immense pain;

Cognizant of the fact that several of these children have also died due to sepsis since the wounds inflicted in the mouth become infected and bacterial infections spread to the whole body causing sepsis which is fatal; Aware that in the last one month Matuu Level 4 Hospital has lost nine children from sepsis caused by gum cutting;

Honorable Speaker, I wish to move the motion **THAT** this House urges the County Government of Machakos through the Department of Health to put up measures to ensure that:

- (i) Mothers are sensitized on how to handle teething babies both at pre- natal and post natal clinics.
- (ii) Community Health Promoters are well equipped with knowledge to sensitize mothers and caregivers to shun gum cutting and embrace modern health practices of teething.

The House adjourns to Wednesday 29th November, 2023 at 2.30 p.m.

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APPENDIX (I)

WEDNESDAY, 29TH NOVEMBER, 2023 AT 10.00 A.M.

1. PAPERS

- (a) **Paper laid - Hon. Muoki Musila, Chairperson, Transport, Roads and Public Works Committee**

Honorable Speaker, I wish to lay the following paper on the table of the House today Wednesday 29th November, 2023;

Report of the Transport, Roads and Public Works Committee on the status of contracted Rural Roads Projects FY 2022/2023.

2. NOTICES OF MOTION

- (a) **Notice of motion - Hon. Muoki Musila, Chairperson, Transport, Roads and Public Works Committee**

Honorable Speaker, that aware that the County Assembly's oversights function is one of the cornerstones of democracy; Aware that oversight is a means for holding the County executive accountable for its actions and for ensuring that it implements policies in accordance with the laws and budget passed by the County Assembly;

Acknowledging that Article 183(3) of the Constitution of Kenya, 2010 provides that the County Executive Committee shall provide the County Assembly with full and regular reports on matters relating to the County; further aware that Article 185(3) states that the County Assembly while respecting the principle of separation of powers, may exercise oversight over the County Executive Committee and any other County Executive Organs;

Cognizant that the Transport, Roads and Public Works Committee is established under second Schedule Standing Order 190 and is mandated to deal with all matters related to county transport, including county roads; Aware that the Transport, Roads and Public Works Committee received report on status of rural roads projects from the Department of Roads and Transport, conducted several site visits to ascertain the status of the sampled roads as indicated in the report, held meetings with the County Executive Committee Member and compiled this report;

Honorable Speaker, I wish to give Notice of Motion **THAT**, this Honorable House discusses and approves the Transport, Roads and Public Works Committee report on the status of contracted Rural Roads Projects FY 2022/2023.