



REPUBLIC OF KENYA THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY (SECOND SESSION)

CONVEYANCE OF PUBLIC PETITION

(No. 32 of 2023)

REGARDING TARMACKING OF KIGANJO-MUGUTHA-GWAKAIRU LINK ROAD

- 1. Honourable Members, Article 119 of the Constitution accords any person the right to petition Parliament to consider any matter within its authority. Further, Standing Order 225(2)(b) requires the Speaker to report to the House any Petition other than those presented by a Member.
- **2.** In this regard, **Honourable Members**, I wish to report to the House that my office has received a petition from a consortium of petitioners from Juja and Ruiru Constituencies, calling for *urgent tarmacking of the Kiganjo-Mugutha-GwaKairu Link Road that traverses the two constituencies.*
- 3. Honourable Members, the Petitioners are composed of the management, employees, students and stakeholders of the Nairobi Institute of Business Studies, Rexol-Mart Supermarket, Sahara Ridge Estate, Kimbo Nebz Village, Wembley Queen Gardens, Rays Gardens, Spur Mall, Lizzie Wanyoike Preparatory School, the G.S.U Recce Office in Ruiru, and St. Thomas Catholic Church, petitioning through one Mr. Lewis Gichini of P.O. Box 4364 Nairobi.
- **4.** The Petitioners decry the sorry state of the Kiganjo-Mugutha-GwaKairu Link Road, which is a critical access road for business operators, transporters, the general public as well as the G.S.U. Recce Squad that utilizes it for emergency movements and operations in the area.

- 5. The Petitioners aver that they have regularly teamed up to upgrade the one-and-a-half kilometre road to murram status at their own costs, but these short-term interventions are always proven futile during rainy seasons and additionally on account of the massive traffic that wears off the link road.
- **6.** Additionally, the Petitioners are concerned about the perennial health hazards caused by dust emanating from the road that makes over 15,000 students and residents vulnerable to health complications.
- 7. Honourable Members, in light of these recurrent challenges, the Petitioners seek the urgent intervention of the National Assembly in facilitating the upgrading to bitumen standards of the Kiganjo-Mugutha-GwaKairu Link Road inclusive of the Railways and Thika Superhighway underpass that borders Kenyatta University's Ruiru Campus in order to create an alternative access to and exit from the Superhighway in light of the perennial heavy traffic jams at the Ruiru Kimbo underpass.
- **8. Honourable Members,** having established that the matter raised in the Petition is well within the authority of this House; and further, that the matters raised in this Petition are not pending before any court of law, constitutional or legal body, I hereby commit the Petition to the Public Petitions Committee for consideration pursuant to Standing Order 208A.
- **9.** The Committee is required to consider the Petition and report its findings to the House and to the Petitioner in accordance with Standing Order 227(2).

The RT. HON, MOSES WETANG'ULA, EGH, MP
SPEAKER OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

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