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Mr. Speaker Sir, I beg to lay the following paper on the table of the Assembly today Tuesday February 16, 2016:-

The Select Committee on Implementation report, on Implementation status of the Murang'a County Symbols Act, 2015.

Thank You,

Sign: Date: 16/2/2016

Hon. Charles M. Karina

CHAIRPERSON, COMMITTEE ON IMPLEMENTATION



COUNTY ASSEMBLY OF MURANG'A

SELECT COMMITTEE ON IMPLEMENTATION REPORT ON IMPLEMENTATION STATUS OF THE MURANG'A COUNTY SYMBOLS ACT, 2015

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1.0 PREFACE

Mr. Speaker Sir, the committee on Implementation in the course of expediting its mandate understanding order 192, has been scrutinizing Implementation status reports of adopted resolutions of the County Assembly. In this case, the committee undertook to establish the implementation status of the 'Murang'a County Symbols Act, 2015'.

1.1 Terms of Reference for the Committee

- i. To find out the extent of implementation of the Murang'a County Symbols Act, 2015.
- ii. Report on the findings and recommendations of the Committee's inquiry.

2.0 Committee Mandate

The Select Committee on Implementation is established pursuant to provisions of Standing Order 192. Under these provisions, the Committee is mandated to:-

- (2) Scrutinize the resolutions of the Assembly (including adopted committee reports), petitions and the undertakings given by the County Executive Committee and examine –
- (a) whether or not such decisions and undertakings have been implemented and where implemented, the extent to which they have been implemented; and whether such implementation has taken place within the minimum time necessary; and
- (b) whether or not legislation passed by the Assembly has been operationalized and where operationalized, the extent to which such operationalization has taken place within the minimum time necessary.
- (3) The Committee may propose to the Assembly, sanctions against any member of the County Executive Committee who fails to report to the relevant select Committee on implementation status without justifiable reasons.

3.0 MEMBERSHIP

The Committee comprises the following Members:-

- 1. Hon. Charles Mwaniki Karina - (Chairperson)
- 2. Hon. Esther Nyakio Munywoki (Vice Chair)
- 3. Hon. Julius Maina Kimani
- 4. Hon. Samson Kago Njoroge
- 5. Hon. Samuel Ndehi Mwangi
- 6. Hon. Cecilia Wanjiku Gitu
- 7. Hon Anderson Muchemi Waweru
- 8. Hon John Kiarie Ngugi
- 9. Hon Mary Watiri Kariuki

4.0 ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

Mr. Speaker, Sir

This Report was considered at length by the Committee in a sitting held in the assembly on 2nd February, 2016 and the resolution to adopt this Report was reached unanimously in a meeting attended by a majority of the Members of the Committee. It is our hope that this Report will guide and inform the House on the implementation status of the Murang'a County Symbols Act, 2015.

The Committee wishes to sincerely thank the Offices of the Speaker and the Clerk of the County Assembly for the support and services extended to the Members to enable the Committee complete this report. I am grateful for the Members of the Committee as well, for their diligence and commitment in the completion of this task.

On behalf of the Committee, I now have the honor and pleasure to present this Report to the House for adoption.

Hon. Charles M. Karina

(Chairman)

Dated this, Day of February, 2016

5.0 BACKGROUND

Mr. Speaker, Sir, County Governments in accordance to section 4 of the County Governments Act, 2012, are required to develop symbols of the County namely, the county flag, county coat of arms and the county public seal. Pursuant to County Assembly of Murang'a standing order 192 and Article 195 of the Constitution of Kenya, the committee in executing its mandate sought to engage the County Secretary, Murang'a County Government through various correspondences and invitations to appear before it and provide information on the implementation status of the Murang'a County Symbols Act, 2015.

5.1 COMMITTEE SITTINGS

In a sitting held on 4th November, 2015, the committee resolved to invite the County Secretary, to appear before it on 18th November, 2015, to provide information over the delay in implementation of the Murang'a County Symbols Act, 2015.

In another sitting held on 18th November,2015, the Committee received an official apology from the County Secretary for not being in attendance at the meeting and he requested to be granted another date to appear before the committee. The Committee resolved to have the County Secretary submit a status report before 23rd November, 2015.

In a sitting held on 25th November, 2015, the Committee considered an implementation status report submitted by the County Secretary on the County Symbols Act, 2015.

6.0 IMPLEMENTATION STATUS OF THE MURANG'A COUNTY SYMBOLS ACT, 2015

Mr. Speaker, Sir, the Murang'a County Symbols Act, 2015 was enacted by the County Assembly on 28th April, 2015, after intensive consultative meetings and public participation had been undertaken. The Act was then Gazetted on 29th June, 2015 under the Murang'a County Gazette Supplement No. 6 (Acts No. 2).

Through various correspondences, the Committee followed up with the office of the County Secretary, which is in charge of implementing the county symbols. The County Secretary informed the Committee that the Murang'a County symbol Act, 2015 has already been operationalized. He has informed all departments of the County Executive to use the symbols stipulated in the Act.

His office has gone further to instruct all procurement to print letterheads with the Gazetted Symbols. In addition, the County Secretary has directed that all branding should bear the symbols as contained in the Act, and as such, full implementation of the Act will be achieved.

Mr. Speaker Sir, the Committee on Implementation expects that full implementation of the Symbols will be realized and that the County Assembly will also take the lead in adopting the use of the Symbols, as other County Government entities do the same.

The Committee will continue to monitor the implementation status of the Murang'a County Symbols Act, 2015.

7.0 FINDINGS

The Committees findings were as follows;

- 1. THAT; in spite of County Assembly enactment and subsequent gazettment of the Symbols Act, there has been delay by the County Government in Implementing the Gazetted County Symbols.
- 2. THAT; part of the delay in implementation resulted from the bulk procurement of printing material and other artifacts bearing the previous symbols, hence the County Government continuous use of the previous symbols as the office of the County Secretary awaited the depletion of the bulk procured print materials.
- 3. THAT; immediate procurement and printing of new materials/artifacts bearing the gazetted county symbols would result into wastage.

8.0 RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE COMMITTEE

The Committee therefore recommends the following;

- 1. THAT; the County Government should IMMEDIATELY cease the use the previous symbols, in spite of the bulk procurement and printing undertaken, and fully adopt the gazetted symbols.
- 2. THAT; in enhancing harmonious working relations, the executive should ensure timely implementation of all enacted and gazetted County Assembly Legislations.
- 3. THAT; pursuant to section 6 of the Murang'a County Symbols Act, 2015, the County Secretary should make regulations, prescribing the manner in which the County Symbols may be applied, for scrutiny and consideration by the County Assembly Committee on Delegated Legislation.

10.0 ADOPTION OF REPORT

This report was adopted on 2nd February, 2016, by the following members;

IMPLEMENTATION COMMITTEE

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1. Hon. Charles M. Karina

2. Hon. Esther Nyakio Munywoki

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