**REPUBLIC OF KENYA**

**COUNTY ASSEMBLY OF LAIKIPIA**
**OFFICE OF THE SPEAKER**

**MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR**

**Hon. Members,**

Standing Order 39(1) relating to **Messages from the Governor** provides that "***The Speaker shall read to the House any message from the Governor delivered to the Speaker for communication to the County Assembly***". In this regard Hon. Members, I wish to convey the Message from H.E. the Governor nominating:

1. Martin Kamau Gitau as the chairperson for Laikipia County Development Authority board.
2. Francis Kangure as the chairperson for the Laikipia County Revenue board.
3. William Chepkwony as the chairperson for the ward development fund board.

The Message was submitted by way of a letter dated 20th September, 2014 and received on 22nd September, addressed to my office for submission to the County Assembly-

**Hon. Members,**

Section 6 of the Laikipia County revenue board act, 2014 provides that the Governor shall appoint, with approval of the County Assembly, the chairperson for the Laikipia County Revenue board. Section 7 of the Laikipia County development Authority Act, 2014 provides that the Governor shall appoint with the approval of County Assembly the chairperson for the Laikipia County development authority board and further section 5(3) of the Laikipia County wards development fund act, 2014 provides for the appointment of the chairperson for the wards development fund board by the Governor with the approval of the County Assembly.

It is pursuant to the abovementioned provisions that the following appointments have been presented to the Assembly.

As per the Public Appointments (Laikipia County Assembly) No. 7 of 2014 as well as Part XI of our Standing Orders, the County Assembly is required to conclude the process of approval or rejection of the nominees within fourteen days from the date of the notification.

**Hon. Members,**

Section 14 (3) of the County Government Act, 2012 provides that in considering any appointment for which approval of the county assembly is required under the constitution, an Act of Parliament or

County legislation, the appointment shall be considered first by a committee of county assembly; the committee's recommendation shall be tabled before the county assembly for approval; and the proceedings of the committee and the county assembly shall be open to the public.

I therefore direct that the committee on finance and planning shall consider, for approval by the House, the aforementioned appointments
In this regard, I wish to guide that committee and the Assembly as follows-

**(i)** The committee on finance and planning should notify the Nominees and the general public of the time and place for holding the approval hearings, at least seven days prior to the hearings. This notification should be done on Friday, 26th September, 2014.

**(ii)**The Committee may therefore conduct the approval hearings on 3rd October, 2014. The hearings shall be open to the public, unless, the Committee decides to hold any part of the proceedings in camera; and,

**(iii)** Thereafter, the Committee should table its Reports before this House on or before 7th October 2014 for consideration.

**Hon. Members,**

Pursuant to the provisions of paragraph (3) of Standing Order 39 (*Messages from the Governor*) which reads – **'when a message from the Governor is read, the message shall be deemed to have been laid before the County Assembly and the Speaker may refer the message to the relevant Committee of the County Assembly for consideration'**

I hereby refer the Message from H.E. the Governor containing the names of the three Nominees together with the supporting documents to the aforementioned committee to undertake the necessary approval hearings.

**Thank you!**

**PATRICK MARIRU**
**SPEAKER OF THE COUNTY ASSEMBLY OF LAIKIPIA**

**24th September, 2014**