THIRD COUNTY ASSEMBLY NO.033 **MORNING SITTING (069)**

REPUBLIC OF KENYA

THIRD COUNTY ASSEMBLY – THIRD SESSION

THE COUNTY ASSEMBLY OF LAIKIPIA

ORDER PAPER

WEDNESDAY 24TH APRIL, 2024 AT 9.00AM

PRAYERS

1. Administration of Oath
2. Communication from the Chair
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7. Statements

8* MOTION- PACKAGING OF KALES AND SPINACH

Honorable Speaker, I beg to move the following motion;

THAT, aware that County Trade development and regulation, including fair trading practices is the function of the County Government as stipulated in part 2 of the fourth schedule of the Constitution of Kenya 2010; **Further aware that** there exist large scale farmers planting kales and spinach in the County; **Noting that** capacity in transportation, storage, sorting, processing and packaging of farm produce is low; **Further noting that** in many agricultural supply chains the middlemen have exploited farmers through packaging of kales and spinach which offer low prices to farmers and then sell the produce at higher prices after packaging resulting in unfair returns for farmers; **Concerned that** this highlights the need for better regulation and support systems to ensure fair compensation for farmers in the packaging and distribution process; this House **urges** the County Government to establish a policy for transporters and traders on the industry-specific codes of practice on handling, packaging and transportation of kales and spinach.

(Hon. Nicholas Mwaniki Muturi, Member of County Assembly Representing Tigithi Ward

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***Denotes Orders of the Day**