

REPUBLIC OF KENYA

**THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY
THIRTEENTH PARLIAMENT (SECOND SESSION)**

CONVEYANCE OF PUBLIC PETITION

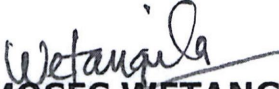
(No. 09 of 2023)

REGARDING THE STATE OF FOOD SECURITY IN THE COUNTRY

- 1. Honourable Members,** Article 119 of the Constitution gives right to any person 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 that regard, Honourable Members,** I wish to report to the House that my office has received a petition from one Shadrack Agaki of Identification Card No. 27414999, a citizen with interest in the worrying state of food security in the Country.
- 3. Honourable Members,** the Petitioner states that food insecurity continues to affect the lives of many Kenyans contrary to the aspirations espoused in Article 43 (1) (c) that obligates the state to ensure that every citizen is free from hunger and have adequate food of acceptable quality.
- 4. Honourable Members,** the Petitioner is concerned that various policies, initiatives and programs that have been implemented in an attempt to address food insecurity have been unsuccessful. He alludes to the fact that no significant efforts have been made to realize optimum yield in Kenya's different ecological zones.

5. The Petitioner therefore prays that the National Assembly amends the Food Security Act with the aim of achieving a clear legal framework and coordination mechanism between the National and County Government in addressing food and nutritional insecurity in the country.
6. **Honourable Members**, having established that the matter raised in the Petition is well within the authority of this House; and further, 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.
7. 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).

I thank you.


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

Date.....1/3/23.....