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REPUBLIC OF KENYA



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THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY (FOURTH SESSION)

PUBLIC PETITION

(No. 21 of 2020)

PARLIAMENT
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**REGARDING DEVOLUTION OF PENSION SERVICES TO THE
COUNTIES**

I, the **UNDERSIGNED**, on behalf of aggrieved pensioners;

DRAW the attention of the House to the following:

- 1) **THAT**, the Pensions Department under the National Treasury is mandated to ensure the timely, efficient and effective payment of pensions, gratuities and other benefits to eligible retirees from the Public Service so that they enjoy a dignified and secure livelihood when they leave the Service;
- 2) **THAT**, most senior citizens who served the government with diligence and honour make follow ups on their benefits for years on end;
- 3) **THAT**, many times files go missing either deliberately or due to lack of enough human resource to handle the files resulting into inordinate delay between the time a claim was received and the time it was actually paid out;
- 4) **THAT**, this has caused pecuniary challenges to the intended beneficiaries, who continue to spend a fortune travelling to Nairobi and back, pursuing what is not even guaranteed;
- 5) **THAT**, regrettably, some pensioners end up dying without getting these benefits which they worked for many years to save;
- 6) **THAT**, consequently, the next of kin and other dependants are thereby forced to travel many times and for hundreds of kilometers from across the country to BIMA House in Nairobi to pursue the benefits occasioning more strain on their meagre resources;

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- 7) **THAT**, the Auditor General's Reports on Pensions Department been recommending the reorganization of the Department ;
- 8) **THAT**, efforts to have the matter addressed by the relevant authorities have been futile;
- 9) **THAT**, the matters raised in this Petition are not pending in any Court of Law, constitutional or other legal body;

THEREFORE, your humble Petitioners pray that the National Assembly through the Departmental Committee on Labour and Social Welfare:-

- (i) Looks into the status of pending payments and the action being taken by the relevant authorities to deal with the delays in payment of pensions dues;
- (ii) Initiates a process of devolving Pension Services to county level through legislation to save pensioners and dependents time and resources; and
- (iii) Makes appropriate recommendations with respect to numerous cases of missing files.

And your **PETITIONERS** will ever pray.

PRESENTED BY:



HON. FLORENCE MWIKALI MUTUA, MP
MEMBER FOR BUSIA COUNTY

DATE: 30.7.2020

The Clerk of the National Assembly,
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RE: PETITION TO THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY CONCERNING DEVOLUTION OF PENSION SERVICES TO THE COUNTIES

I, the undersigned, Citizen of the republic of Kenya, and resident of Nairobi.

DRAW the attention of the National Assembly to the following:

1. That, most senior citizens who served this government with diligence and honour take years before getting their retirement benefits;
2. That, some even die before getting these benefits which they worked for many years to save;
3. That, the next of kin and other dependents are made to travel hundreds of kilometres from across the country to BIMA House in Nairobi severally to pursue the benefits, and always told to check again later;
4. That, many times files go 'missing', either deliberately or due to lack of enough human resource to handle the files;
5. That, this has caused unnecessary pecuniary challenges to the beneficiaries, who continue to spend a fortune travelling to Nairobi and back, pursuing what is not even guaranteed;
6. THAT, I have tried to have the matter addressed by officers handling relevant files at BIMA House who also look helpless;
7. THAT, none of the issues raised in this Petition is pending in any Court of law, Constitutional or other legal body.



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WHEREFORE, your humble petitioner prays that the National Assembly:-

1. Undertakes an inquiry into how many retired officers or dependants have not received their benefits since retirement or demise, finds out what has caused the delay in paying them or their dependents the benefits due to them and make appropriate recommendations;
2. Initiates a process of devolving Pension Services to the Counties through legislation to save pensioners or their dependants from unnecessary inconveniences and stress;
3. Provides a legal framework to ensure that county governments, as a matter of priority, employs qualified professionals to handle pensions services;
4. Makes appropriate recommendations with respect to numerous cases of "missing" files for pensioners or their beneficiaries;
5. And that, the House makes any other order, directions or recommendations it deems appropriate in the interest of the senior citizens of this great nation, and the petitioner shall ever pray.

Dated this 30.....day of June..... 2020.

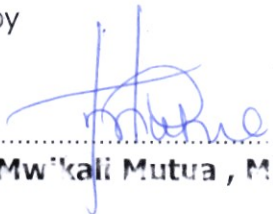
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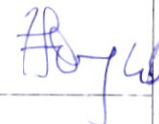
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