

REPUBLIC OF KENYA

THE SENATE

ELEVENTH PARLIAMENT - THIRD SESSION

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

SPECIAL SITTING

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2015 AT 3.00 P.M

- 1. The Senate assembled at Three O'clock.
- 2. The Proceedings were opened with Prayer.
- 3. COMMUNICATION FROM THE CHAIR SUSPENSION OF SITTING TO ALLOW THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON THE PROPOSED REMOVAL FROM OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR OF MURANG'A COUNTY TO CONCLUDE ITS REPORT

The Speaker made the following Communication from the Chair-

"Honourable Senators,

As you are aware, we are assembled here today pursuant to Standing Order 291 on the request of the Senate Majority Leader, with the support of the requisite number of Senators to receive and consider the report of the Special Committee on the proposed removal from office of the Governor of Murang'a County.

Let me start by commending all of you for attending this special sitting to consider this very important matter. However I am informed by the Special Committee that they have not concluded the Report and the same will not be ready for tabling until 6.00 pm. Under the circumstances, and using the powers granted to me by Standing Order No. 1, I suspend this sitting until 6.30 pm. I thank you."

Thereupon the sitting was suspended at 3.05 pm.

4. The Senate reconvened at thirty minutes past six o'clock.

5. COMMUNICATION FROM THE CHAIR - PROCEDURE FOR CONSIDERATION OF THE REPORT OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON THE PROPOSED REMOVAL FROM OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR OF MURANG'A COUNTY

The Speaker made the following Communication from the Chair-

"Honourable Senators,

As you are aware, we are assembled here pursuant to Standing Order 29 (1) on the request of the Senate Majority Leader with the support of the requisite number of Senators to receive and consider the report from the Special Committee on the proposed Removal from Office of the Governor of Murang'a County.

You will also recall that this is not the first time the Senate is conducting business of this nature. We shall, therefore, proceed along similar lines as we have done in the past when the Senate received a similar report from a Special Committee. As in earlier cases, the Chairperson of the Special Committee will first lay the Report of the Special Committee when Order 2 for Papers is read.

I will subsequently suspend the sitting of the Senate for one (1) hour in order to allow you, Hon. Senators, time to go through it. We shall proceed in this manner because at the point at which the report will be laid, it will not be known to the rest of us in the House, except the Committee Members, which of the two procedures provided for by Section 33(6) of the County Governments Act and Standing Order No. 68(4) will be applied. The contents of the report will determine that.

Honourable Senators,

Both Section 33(6) of the County Governments Act and Standing Order No. 68(4) provide as follows:-

"If the special committee reports that the particulars of any allegation against the governor-

- a) have not been substantiated, further proceedings shall not be taken under this section in respect of that allegation; or
- b) have been substantiated, the Senate shall, after according the governor an opportunity to be heard, vote on the charges."

After the report has been tabled, I will guide the House accordingly on how to proceed. I thank you.

Thereupon the Senate temporarily adjourned at 7.10 pm.

- 6. The Senate resumed at 8.00 pm.
- 7. The proceedings were opened with Prayer.

8. PAPERS LAID

The following Paper was laid on the Table of the Senate-

The Report of the Special Committee on Proposed Removal from Office of the Governor of Murang'a County

(Chairperson of the Special Committee on the Proposed Removal from Office of the Governor of Murang'a County- Sen. Musila)

9. <u>FINDINGS OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON THE CHARGES BROUGHT AGAINST THE GOVERNOR OF MURANG'A COUNTY</u>

The Chairperson of the Special Committee reported to the Senate that, pursuant to Section 33(4 of the County Governments Act and Standing Order 682) b, the Special Committee had found the allegations against the Governor not to have been substantiated.

Thereupon, the Speaker informed the Senate that pursuant to Section 33 of the County Governments Act and Standing Order 684(a), further proceedings would not be taken in respect of the allegations against the Governor

And the time being five minutes past ten O'clock, the Speaker adjourned the Senate without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Orders.

10. **SENATE ROSE** - at five minutes past ten O'clock.

MEMORANDUM

The Speaker will take the Chair on Tuesday, November 10, 2015 at 2.30 p.m.