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THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY RTEENTH PARLIAMENT (SECOND SESSION)

PUBLIC PETITION

(No. 31 of 2023)

ON REVIEW OF BOUNDARIES OF THE TANA DELTA IRRIGATION PROJECT

I, the **UNDERSIGNED**, on behalf of the residents of Garsen Constituency; **DRAW** the attention of the House to the following:

- 1. **THAT**, the Tana Delta Irrigation Project was initiated by Tana and Athi Rivers Development Authority (TARDA) to enhance quality of life through sustainable utilization, environmental protection, food security and revenue generation in the Lower Tana River Basin;
- 2. **THAT**, the project is estimated to cover eight locations in Garsen Constituency namely; Mwina, Salama, Galili, Kipao, Wachuoda, Konemamsa, Handaraku, and Didewarede;
- 3. THAT, the project as currently designed will lead to great displacement of residents of the said locations, destabilize their livelihoods economically, socially and politically and further interfere with the environmental ecosystems composed of protected forest areas that are an ecological habitat for marine and terrestrial wildlife;
- 4. THAT, part of the area covered by the project is the Tana River Delta which is Kenya's Sixth Ramsar Site and the only Ramsar wetland outside the Rift as declared by the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO);
- 5. **THAT,** efforts by the residents to engage TARDA to review the boundaries before implementation of the project have not been successful;

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- 6. **THAT,** the reluctance by TARDA to conduct public participation on the project violates the national values and principles of governance stipulated in Article 10 of the Constitution of Kenya (2010)
- 7. **THAT**, the issues in respect of which this Petition is raised are not pending before any court of Law, or any constitutional or legal body;

THEREFORE, your humble petitioners pray that the National Assembly through the Public Petitions Committee;

- i. Engages the Tana and Athi Rivers Development Authority (TARDA) to review the boundaries of land managed by the Tana Delta Irrigation Project in order to, among other interventions, ensure that the Tana Delta Irrigation Project does not extend beyond the southern parts of Garsen - Lamu Road and should instead be extended eastwards towards the border of Boni Forest to create a security buffer zone;
- ii. Facilitates clear demarcation of boundaries of TARDA land from the general community land;
- iii. Compels TARDA to comprehensively engage residents of Tana River in all aspects of the project's design and implementation, and
- iv. Makes any other recommendation or action it deems fit in addressing the plight of the Petitioners.

And your **PETITIONER** will ever pray.

PRESENTED BY:

THE HON. ALI WARIO, MP
MEMBER FOR GARSEN CONSTITUENCY

DATE: 13/06/2023

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