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### COMMUNICATION FROM THE SPEAKER ON THE EULOGY FOR THE LATE HON. JAMES BARASA MUKHONGO

The County Assembly of Bungoma fraternity is deeply saddened to announce the untimely passing of Hon. James Barasa Mukhongo, the **Member of County Assembly for Chwele Kabuchai Ward.**

Hon. Mukhongo, elected on a Ford Kenya Party ticket, was serving his third consecutive term, having first been elected in the 2013 General Elections. He passed away today at Hopkins Crescent Hospital, Bungoma, where he had been receiving treatment.

A dedicated public servant, Hon. Mukhongo was a key figure in the County Assembly, currently serving as the **Chairperson of the Finance and Planning Committee** -a role he held with distinction in various terms.

His service record speaks to his commitment and diligence. In the **First County Assembly (2013–2017)**, he served as **Chief Whip – Majority Party**, **Vice Chairperson of the Finance and Economic Planning Committee**, and Member of the Committees on Delegated County Legislation, Lands, Urban and Physical Planning. In the **Second County Assembly (2017–2022)**, he served as **Chairperson of the Finance and Economic Planning Committee** and as a Member of the Committees on Tourism, Environment, Water and Natural Resources; Lands, Urban and

Physical Planning; and Selection. In the **Third County Assembly (2022–present)**, he served as **Chairperson of the Finance and Economic Planning Committee** and as a Member of the Committees on Lands, Urban and Physical Planning; Environment, Water and Natural Resources; Gender and Culture; House Business; Appointments; Powers and Privileges; and Selection. Before the advent of devolution, Hon. Mukhongo's political journey began when he was nominated by the Ford Kenya Party as a councillor in 2002, later securing election in 2007.

He will be fondly remembered for his firm and principled stand on matters of governance, his relentless advocacy for the rights of the people of Chwele/Kabuchai Ward, Bungoma County, and his unwavering support for Chwele market traders. Beyond the Chamber, he was a passionate member of the County Assembly football team, bringing energy to every match.

On behalf of the County Assembly of Bungoma Service Board, Leadership, Hon. Members and entire staff, I extend my deepest condolences to his family, fellow Honourable Members, friends, and the entire County Assembly fraternity during this difficult time.

***May the Almighty God grant his soul eternal rest.***



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