



A RESOLUTION OF THE ASSEMBLY URGING THE EAST AFRICAN LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY TO ACCORD SPECIAL THANKS TO HON. MONIQUE MUKARULIZA , MINISTER FOR EAC AFFAIRS, RWANDA AND OUTGONE CHAIRPERSON OF THE EAC COUNCIL OF MINISTERS FOR HER EXEMPLARY PERFORMANCE AS CHAIRPERSON OF THE EAC COUNCIL OF MINISTERS

By Hon. Reuben Oyondi and adopted by the Assembly on Tuesday 16th February, 2010

THAT, This Assembly;

Pursuant to the provisions of Rule 26(1) of the Assembly Rules of Procedure and Article 59 of the Treaty for the Establishment of the East African Community adopts this Resolution. The Resolution is moved in the following terms:-

WHEREAS the Partner States have all appointed Ministers responsible for EAC Affairs;

AND WHEREAS The Ministers responsible for EAC Affairs collectively form part of the EAC Council of Ministers and assume office of Chairperson on a yearly rotation basis;

AND WHEREAS the EAC Council is the policy Organ of the Community for purposes of reinforcing the implementation of the programmes of the Community and to ensure the proper functioning and development of the Community in accordance with the Treaty;

AND WHEREAS Hon. Monique Mukaruliza has made a significant contribution to the Council of Ministers, being its Chairperson in the period June 2008 – November 2009 aware that she was barely a few months in the EAC fraternity;

COGNIZANT of the fact that the assumption to the Chair of the Council by Hon. Monique Mukaruliza brought in a gender sensitive touch to the Chair and she has done exceptionally well, aware that previous Council of Ministers were men;

ACKNOWLEDGING her sworn stand for fast-tracking and deepening EAC's integration agenda having noted that it is the only way forward for the EAC Partner States to avoid their further marginalization in the globalized economy;

FURTHER ACKNOWLEDGING her personal commitment to launch a number of major EAC projects during her tenure as Chairperson of Council namely; the EAC Headquarters building which had previously stalled and construction of the Arusha-Namanga Road;

APPRECIATING her role in the EAC Common Market Negotiations by inspiring Members of the High Level Task Force to move rapidly the negotiations of the Common Market Protocol amidst her very strong expressions to finalize the protocol as directed by the EAC Summit of Heads of State ready for signing it in November 2009 and indeed achieving the set target of November 2009;

RECOGNIZING the tremendous effort she put in place to inculcate a spirit of Inter-Organ relationship within the EAC, firstly by working with H.E. Paul Kagame to spearhead the introduction of the first ever EAC Strategic Retreat which made important recommendations to buttress further the EAC integration agenda and secondly, introducing meetings of Heads of EAC Organs to enhance relations and work towards a common cause which, meetings have since been a main stay in the EAC calendar. Her tenure as Chairperson of the meetings was characterised by great levels of astuteness and wisdom with a wholistic EAC picture in mind;

COMMENDING her for ably steering Council Business within the Assembly namely answering questions put to the Council, introducing Council Bills, presenting the EAC Budget for FY 2008/2009 and 2009/2010, debating important motions, attending

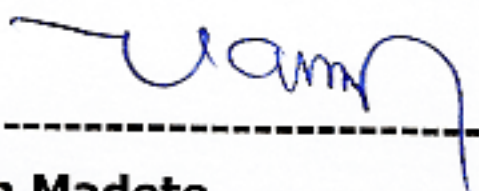
meetings of standing committees and the Select Committees and assisting in the passage of Bills before the Assembly;

NOTING WITH APPRECIATION her role in arguing the case for EALA Committees to be availed oversight funds in the main EAC budget and in the Partnership Fund which has greatly improved the Assembly's operations;

NOW THEREFORE THIS HOUSE DO RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS:-

1. **THAT** it collectively conveys its special thanks to Hon. Monique Mukaruliza for performing her work as Chair of Council with remarkable distinction;
2. **THAT** it collectively registers its gratitude to the exemplary leadership style of Hon. Monique Mukaruliza, the out gone Chairperson of the EAC Council of Ministers and Minister of EAC Affairs, Rwanda;
3. **THAT** it collectively registers its thanks to the entire Council of Ministers for their steadfast resolve to push forth the EAC integration agenda;
4. **THAT** it collectively recognises the faith placed in Hon. Monique Mukaruliza as Minister for EAC Affairs Rwanda, by H.E. Paul Kagame, President of the Republic of Rwanda.
5. **THAT** it collectively thanks the EAC Summit of Heads of State for extending her tenure in office for a further three months until November 20th, 2009.

CERTIFIED BY



Kenneth Madete

CLERK

Date:

1/3/2010