EAST AFRICAN COMMUNITY
EAST AFRICAN LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

A MOTION OF THE ASSEMBLY CONGRATULATING PRESIDENT BARACK HUSSEIN OBAMA ON HIS ELECTION AS THE 44TH PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND URGING HIM TO FOSTER CLOSER ECONOMIC AND POLITICAL RELATIONSHIP WITH EAST AFRICA

By: Hon. Gervase Akhaabi and adopted by the Assembly on Wednesday, February 25, 2009

WHEREAS Article 59 of the Treaty for the Establishment of the East African Community empowers Members of the Assembly to propose any motion or to introduce any Bill in the Assembly;

AND WHEREAS the provisions or Article 59 of the Treaty are embodied in the Rules of Procedure of the Assembly and particularly in Rules 26; AND

AWARE that the 44th President of the United States of America has his paternal heritage within the geographical territory of East Africa and the people of East Africa justifiably proud of and excited by his election and installation as the President of the United States of America.

CONSIDERING that the people and Partner States of East African Community yearn for a closer economic relationship with the United States of America to help spur economic growth and development in the Community.
ACKNOWLEDGING that President Obama has established as his platform of leadership the need for change in the manner and way of conducting public affairs and international relationships.

NOW THEREFORE this Assembly resolves to:

(i) Congratulate H. E. President Barack Hussein Obama on his election and installation as the 44th President of the United States of America and that this resolution be passed on to the President by the Speaker of this Assembly.

CERTIFIED BY:

[Signature]

DATE: 2nd March 2009

Kenneth Madete
Ag. CLERK