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THURSDAY 13TH JULY, 2023

The House Met at 10:00 a.m. The Rt. Hon. Speaker, Dr. Abass Chernor Bundu, Presided.

I.	ATTENDANCE: THE FOLLOWING HONOURABLE MEM	BERS OF PARLIAM	ENT WERE PRESENT:
NO	NAME	PARTY	DISTRICT
1.	Hon. Sarty Banya	SLPP	Kailahun
2.	Hon. Hindolo Moiwo Gevao	SLPP	Kailahun
3.	Hon. Wuyatta Bernadette Songa	SLPP	Kailahun
4.	Hon. Musa Lahai	SLPP	Kailahun
5.	Hon. Mohamed Kanneh	SLPP	Kailahun
6.	Hon. Margaret Feimata Johnson	SLPP	Kailahun
7.	Hon. Fallah Kenawah Tengbeh	SLPP	Kailahun
8.	Hon. Hawa Rosaline Siafa	SLPP	Kailahun
9.	Hon. Emilia Lolloh Tongi	SLPP	Kailahun
10.	Hon. Quintin Salia-Konne	SLPP	Kailahun
11.	Hon. Mathew Sahr Nyuma	SLPP	Kenema
12.	Hon. Musa Peter Moigua	SLPP	Kenema
13.	Hon. Rugiatu Tarawalli – Mussaffa	SLPP	Kenema
14.	Hon. Francis Amara Kaisamba	SLPP	Kenema
15.	Hon. Boston Munda	SLPP	Kenema
16.	Hon. Alice Kornya Sandy	SLPP	Kenema
17.	Hon. Alie Bayoh	SLPP	Kenema
18.	Hon. Brima Mansaray	SLPP	Kenema
19.	Hon. Mariama Ella Goba	SLPP	Kenema
20.	Hon. Ibrahim Koroma	SLPP	Kenema
21.	Hon. Momoh Bockarie	SLPP	Kenema
22.	Hon. Juliana Aliematu Fatorma	SLPP	Kenema
23.	Hon. Saa Emmerson Lamina	SLPP	Kono
24.	Hon. Tamba Simeon Johnny	SLPP	Kono
25.	Hon. Rebecca Yei Kamara	SLPP	Kono
26.	Hon. Musa Fofonah	SLPP	Kono
27.	Hon. Sia Mahawa Habiama Tommy	SLPP	Kono
28.	Hon. Komba Quee	SLPP	Kono
29.	Hon. Sahr Koutu Momodu	SLPP	Kono
30.	Hon. Mohamed Billoh Shaw	SLPP	Falaba
31.	Hon. Jabbie Alpha Fode Madie	SLPP	Falaba





32.	Hon. Konkofa Farah Mansaray	SLPP	Koinadugu
33.	Hon. Foyoh Tholley	SLPP	Tonkolili
34.	Hon. Adama Bangura	SLPP	Kambia
35.	Hon. Mohamed Tarawallie Fofanah	SLPP	Kambia
36.	Hon. Abdul Karim Bangura	SLPP	Karene
37.	Hon. Ishmael Sankoh Yillah	SLPP	Port Loko
38.	Hon. Sheikh Santigie Ibrahim Kargbo	SLPP	Port Loko
39.	Hon. Racheal Christiana Bundor	SLPP	Port Loko
40.	Hon. Abdulai Karim Kanu	SLPP	Port Loko
41.	Hon. Bashiru Silikie	SLPP	Во
42.	Hon. Christopher Keikura Vandy	SLPP	Во
43.	Hon. Massay Ngahiteh Aruna	SLPP	Во
44.	Hon. Nenneh Lebbie	SLPP	Во
45.	Hon. Ambrose Maada Lebby	SLPP	Во
46.	Hon. Joseph Williams Lamin	SLPP	Во
47.	Hon. Joseph Abdul Bash Kamara	SLPP	Во
48.	Hon. Yusuf Mackery	SLPP	Во
49.	Hon. Amie Nyava Moriba	SLPP	Во
50.	Hon. Habib Keifa Fabbah	SLPP	Во
51.	Hon. Beatrice Maaya Kangbai	SLPP	Во
52.	Hon. Segepoh Solomon Thomas	SLPP	Bonthe
53.	Hon. Jibrila Surmoijue	SLPP	Bonthe
54.	Hon. Alice Jebbeh Kumabeh	SLPP	Bonthe
55.	Hon. Idrissa Moiwai Dauda	SLPP	Bonthe
56.	Hon. Bintu Fatmata Bockarie	SLPP	Bonthe
57.	Hon. Edward George	SLPP	Moyamba
58.	Hon. Veronica Kadie Sesay	SLPP	Moyamba
59.	Hon. Capt. (Rtd.) Sylvester Arnold Maxwell Boima	SLPP	Moyamba
60.	Hon. Umu Pyne	SLPP	Moyamba
61.	Hon. Mustapha Musa Sellu	SLPP	Moyamba
62.	Hon. Sidie Mohamed Tunis	SLPP	Pujehun
63.	Hon. Dickson Momoh Rogers	SLPP	Pujehun
64.	Hon. Hawa Kallon	SLPP	Pujehun
65.	Hon. Alex Mattia Rogers	SLPP	Pujehun
66.	Hon. Abu Kemokai	SLPP	Pujehun
67.	Hon. Mariama Munia Zombo	SLPP	Pujehun
68.	Hon. Shiaka Musa Sam	SLPP	Pujehun
69.	Hon. Osman Wurie Jallo	SLPP	Western Area
70.	Hon. Beatrice Iyamide Langley	SLPP	Western Area
71.	Hon. Amara Momoh Kargbo	SLPP	Western Area





72.	Hon. Ibrahim Kabba	SLPP	Western Area
73.	Hon. Ahmed Joseph Kanu	SLPP	Western Area
74.	Hon. Ibrahim Tawa Conte	SLPP	Western Urban
75.	Hon. Mohamed Sheriff Rahman-Coker	SLPP	Western Urban
76.	Hon. Princess Kadie Daramy-Nabbie	SLPP	Western Urban
77.	Hon. Benjamin Turay	SLPP	Western Urban
78.	Hon. Idriss Sahid Kamara	SLPP	Western Urban
79.	Hon. Fatmata Sarah Soukena	SLPP	Western Urban
80.	Hon. Abdul Sulaiman Marray-Conteh	SLPP	Western Urban
81.	Hon. Abdul Karim Bangura	SLPP	Karene
82.	Hon. Mohamed Bangura	APC	Karene
83.	Hon. PC Foray Cyril Gondor II	-	Kailahun
84.	Hon. PC Foday Stephen Kpakra Faba	-	Kenema
85.	Hon. PC Paul Ngaba Saquee IV	-	Kono
86.	Hon. PC Kandeh Baba Keiha III	-	Bombali
87.	Hon. PC Marrah III Thor Thor Sheka TINK Fonkola,	-	Falaba
88.	Hon PC Alie Balan Sama Marrah III	-	Koinadugu
89.	PC Alhaji Masakama Kanamanka III	-	Tonkolili
90.	Hon. Hon. PC Ngbak IV Bai Farama Tass Bubu,	-	Kambia
91.	Hon. PC Kandeh Paria Kawaleh II	-	Karene
92.	Hon. PC Bai Shebora Sheba Gbereh III	-	Port Loko
93.	Hon. PC Desmond Mahayei Kargobai	-	Во
94.	Hon. PC Bio Prince Lansana,	-	Bonthe
95.	Hon. PC Haja Fatmata Bintu Koroma Meama Kajue	-	Moyamba
96.	Hon. PC Kebbie III Brima Victor Sidi,	-	Pujehun
	THE FOLLOWING HONOURABLE MEMBERS (OF PARLI	AMENT WERE ABSENT :
97.	Hon. Tom Issic Tucker	APC	Kono
98.	Hon. Tamba Kellie	APC	Kono
99.	Hon. Lucinda Finda Kellie	APC	Kono
	Hon. Peter Yamba Koroma	APC	Bombali
	Hon. Paul Samba Conteh	APC	Bombali
102.	Hon. Catherine Zainab Tarawally	APC	Bombali
103.		APC	Bombali
104.		APC	Bombali
105.	Hon. Marie Kamara	APC	Bombali
106.		APC	Bombali
107.	Hon. Sallieu Osman Sesay	APC	Bombali
108.	Hon. Mohamed Conteh	APC	Falaba
109.	Hon. Mohamed Alpha Jalloh	APC	Falaba
110.	Hon. Hamidu Holla Mansaray	APC	Koinadugu





111.	Hon. Daniel Brima Korom	APC	Koinadugu
112.	Hon. Hawa Conteh	APC	Koinadugu
113.	Hon. Aaron Aruna Koroma	APC	Tonkolili
114.	Hon. Aruna Papay Larkoh	APC	Tonkolili
115.	Hon. Mabinty Forna	APC	Tonkolili
116.	Hon. Jawah Sesay	APC	Tonkolili
117.	Hon. Daniel Fornah	APC	Tonkolili
118.	Hon. Rose Marie Bangura	APC	Tonkolili
119.	Hon. Daniel Amadu Bangura	APC	Tonkolili
120.	Hon. Sorieba Alhaji Turay	APC	Tonkolili
121.	Hon. Rugiatu Kamara	APC	Tonkolili
122.	Hon. Abdul Karim Kamara	APC	Kambia
123.	Hon. Ernest Koroma	APC	Kambia
124.	Hon. Mabinty Alice Taylor-Bangura	APC	Kambia
125.	Hon. Mohamed Sheridan Kamara	APC	Kambia
126.	Hon. Alusine Bash Kamara	APC	Karene
127.	Hon. Mohamed Sheriff Kargbo	APC	Kambia
128.	Hon. Cecilia Mabinty Bangura	APC	Karene
129.	Hon. Abdul Karbgo	APC	Port Loko
130.	Hon. Abdul Karim Kamara	APC	Port Loko
131.	Hon. Memunatu Turay	APC	Port Loko
132.	Hon. Ibrahim Aziz Bangura	APC	Port Loko
133.	Hon. Abdul Latif Sesay	APC	Port Loko
134.	Hon. Aminata Sesay	APC	Port Loko
135.		APC	Moyamba
136.	Hon. Abu Bakarr Fofanah	APC	Western Area Rural
137.	Hon. Haja Miatta Amar	APC	Western Area Rural
138.	Hon. John Sartty Kargbo	APC	Western Area Rural
139.	Hon. Kemoko Conteh	APC	Western Area Rural
140.	Hon. Zinabu Timbo	APC	Western Area Rural
141.	Hon. Osman Abdal Timbo	APC	Western Urban
142.	Hon. Alpha Amadu Bah	APC	Western Urban
143.	Hon. Rugiatu Rosy Kanu	APC	Western Urban
144.	Hon. Unpha Sorie Gbassay Koroma	APC	Western Urban
145.	Hon. Mahmoud Kamara	APC	Western Urban
146.	Hon. Adama Conteh	APC	Western Urban
147.	Hon. Alfred Ayodele Thompson	APC	Western Urban
148.	Hon. Abdulai Kamara	APC	Western Urban
149.	Hon. Mariama Bangura	APC	Western Urban





The Clerk of Parliament, Hon. Paran Umar Tarawally, Conducted The Proceedings. VP/6/01/01 THURSDAY 13TH JULY, 2023

THE HOUSE MET AT 10:00 A.M.

I. PRAYERS: The Senior Table Clerk, **Mrs. Tangella M.C. Sam**, said the prayers.

II. SWEARING-IN OF MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT(THIRD SCHEDULE OF THE CONSTITUTION OF SIERRA LEONE) (Act No. 6 of 1991):

The Clerk of Parliament, Hon. Paran Umar Tarawally, stated that in conformity with the certificate of elections from ECSL and pursuant to Section 83 of the Constitution of Sierra Leone (Act. No. 6 of 1991) in tandem with S.O. 1 A of the Standing Orders of Parliament, he hereby declared that the following had been duly elected as Members of Parliament. He, hereby, ordered the Table Clerk to do a roll call of Members of Parliament elect as per region starting from the Paramount Chief Members of Parliament.

The Senior Table Clerk, **Mrs. Tangella M.C. Sam**, called upon the following PCMPs elect:

SN.	NAMES PCMPs Elect:	SEX	DISTRICT
1.	Hon. PC Foray Cyril Gondor II	М.	Kailahun
2.	Hon. PC Foday Stephen Kpakra Faba	М.	Kenema
3.	Hon. PC Paul Ngaba Saquee V	М.	Kono
4.	Hon. PC Kandeh Baba Keiha III	М.	Bombali
5.	Hon. PC Marrah III Thor Thor Sheka TinK Fonkola,	М.	Falaba
6.	Hon. PC Alie Balan Sama Marrah III	М.	Koinadugu
7.	Hon. PC Alhaji Masakama Kanamanka III	М.	Tonkolili
8.	Hon. PC Ngbak IV Bai Farama Tass Bubu,	М.	Kambia
9.	Hon. PC Kandeh Paria Kawaleh II	М.	Karene
10.	Hon. PC Bai Shebora Sheba Gbereh III	М.	Port Loko
11.	Hon. PC Desmond Mahayei Kargobai	М.	Во
12.	Hon. PC Bio Prince Lansana,	М.	Bonthe
13.	Hon. PC Haja Fatmata Bintu Koroma Meama Kajue	F.	Moyamba
14.	Hon. PC Kebbie III Brima Victor Sidi,	М.	Pujehun

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Mr. Clerk administered the oath of allegiance as enshrined in the Third Schedule of the Constitution of Sierra Leone (Act No. 6 of 1991) to the aforementioned PCMPs; he asked them to sign the Oath Book and presented each one of them with a package that contained: the 1991 Constitution of Sierra Leone, The Standing Orders of Parliament, The Parliament Act and the Parliamentary Prayers. He congratulated and welcomed them to the Sixth Parliament of the Second Republic of Sierra Leone.

Mr. Clerk called upon the following Hon. Members of Parliament elect by Districts to administer the oath of allegiance.

Karene District:				
No.	Names of MPs Elect	Party	Attendance	
1.	Hon. Alusine Bash Kamara	APC	Absent	
2.	Hon. Mohamed Sheriff Kargbo	APC	Absent	
3.	Hon. Cecilia Mabinty Bangura	APC	Absent	
4.	Hon. Mohamed Bangura	APC	Present	
5.	Hon. Abdul Karim Bangura	SLPP	Present	

	Kailahun District:				
No.	Names of MPs Elect	Party	Attendance		
1.	Hon. Sarty Banya	SLPP	Present		
2.	Hon. Hindolo Moiwo Gevao	SLPP	Present		
3.	Hon. Wuyatta Bernadette Songa	SLPP	Present		
4.	Hon. Musa Lahai	SLPP	Present		
5.	Hon. Mohamed Kanneh	SLPP	Present		
6.	Hon. Margaret Feimata Johnson	SLPP	Present		
7.	Hon. Fallah Kenawah Tengbeh	SLPP	Present		
8.	Hon. Hawa Rosaline Siafa	SLPP	Present		
9.	Hon. Emilia Lolloh Tongi	SLPP	Present		
10.	Hon. Quintin Salia-Konneh	SLPP	Present		

Kenema District				
No.	Names of MPs Elect	Party	Attendance	
1.	Hon. Mathew S. Nyuma	SLPP	Present	
2.	Hon. Musa Peter Moigua	SLPP	Present	
3.	Hon. Rugiatu Tarawalli-Mussaffa	SLPP	Present	
4.	Hon. Francis Amara Kaisamba	SLPP	Present	
5.	Hon. Boston Munda	SLPP	Present	
6.	Hon. Hon. Alice Kornya Sandy	SLPP	Present	





7.	Hon. Alie Bayoh	SLPP	Present
8.	Hon. Brima Mansaray	SLPP	Present
9.	Hon. Mariama Ella Goba	SLPP	Present
10.	Hon. Ibrahim Koroma	SLPP	Present
11.	Hon. Momoh Bockarie	SLPP	Present
12.	Hon. Juliana Aliematu Fatorma	SLPP	Present

Kono District:

No.	Names of MPs Elect	Party	Attendance
1.	Hon. Tom Issic Tucker	APC	Absent
2.	Hon. Tamba Kellie	APC	Absent
3.	Hon. Lucinda Finda Kellie	APC	Absent
4.	Hon. Saa Emerson Lamina	SLPP	Present
5.	Hon. Tamba Simeon Johny	SLPP	Present
6.	Hon. Rebecca Yei Kamara	SLPP	Present
7.	Hon. Musa Fofanah	SLPP+	Present
8.	Hon. Mahawa Habiama Tommy	SLPP	Present
9.	Hon. Komba Quee	SLPP	Present
10.	Hon. Sahr Koutu Momodu	SLPP	Present

Bombali District:

No.	Names of MPs Elect	Party	Attendance		
1.	Hon. Peter Yamba Koroma	APC	Absent		
2.	Hon. Paul Samba Conteh	APC	Absent		
3.	Hon. Catherine Zainab Tarawally	APC	Absent		
4.	Hon. John Charles Conteh	APC	Absent		
5.	Hon. Ibrahim Barrie	APC	Absent		
6.	Hon. Marie Kamara	APC	Absent		
7.	Hon. Mohamed Bangura	APC	Absent		
8.	Hon. Sallieu Osman Sesay	APC	Absent		

Falaba District:

No.	Names of MPs Elect	Party	Attendance	
1.	Hon. Mohamed Conteh	APC	Absent	
2.	Hon. Mohamed Alpha Jalloh	APC	Absent	
3.	Hon. Mohamed Billoh Shaw	SLPP	Present	
4.	Hon. Jabbie Alpha Fode Maddie	SLPP	Present	





	Koinadugu District:			
No.	Names of MPs Elect	Party	Attendance	
1.	Hon. Hamidu Holla Mansaray	APC	Absent	
2.	Hon. Daniel Brima Koroma	APC	Absent	
3.	Hon. Hawa Conteh	APC	Absent	
4.	Hon. Konkofa Farah Mansaray	SLPP	Present	
	Tonkolili District:			

No.	Names of MPs Elect	Party	Attendance
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1.	Hon. Aaron Aruna Koroma	APC	Absent
2.	Hon. Aruna Papay Larkoh	APC	Absent
3.	Hon. Mabinty Forna	APC	Absent
4.	Hon. Jawah Sesay	APC	Absent
5.	Hon. Daniel Fornah	APC	Absent
6.	Hon. Rose Marie Bangura	APC	Absent
7.	Hon. Daniel Amadu Bangura	APC	Absent
8.	Hon. Sorieba Alhaji Turay	APC	Absent
9.	Hon. Rugiatu Kamara	APC	Absent
10.	Hon. Foyoh Tholley	SLPP	Present

Kambia District:

No.	Names of MPs Elect	Party	Attendance
1.	Hon. Abdul Karim Kamara	APC	Absent
2.	Hon. Ernest Koroma	APC	Absent
3.	Hon. Mabinty Alice Taylor-Bangura	APC	Absent
4.	Hon. Mohamed Sheridan Kamara	APC	Absent
5.	Hon. Adama Bangura	SLPP	Present
6.	Hon. Mohamed Tarawallie Fofanah	SLPP	Present

Port Loko District:

No.	Names of MPs Elect	Party	Attendance		
1.	Hon. Abdul Karbgo	APC	Absent		
2.	Hon. Abdul Karim Kamara	APC	Absent		
3.	Hon. Memunatu Turay	APC	Absent		
4.	Hon. Ibrahim Aziz Bangura	APC	Absent		
5.	Hon. Abdul Latif Sesay	APC	Absent		
6.	Hon. Aminata Sesay	APC	Absent		
7.	Hon. Ishmael Sankoh Yillah	SLPP	Present		
8.	Hon. Sheikh Santigie Ibrahim Kargbo	SLPP	Present		





9.	Hon. Racheal Christiana Bundor	SLPP	Present
10.	Hon. Abdulai Karim Kanu	SLPP	Present
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No.	Names of MPs Elect	Party	Attendance
1.	Hon. Bashiru Silikie	SLPP	Present
2.	Hon. Christopher Keikura Vandy	SLPP	Present
3.	Hon. Massay Ngahiteh Aruna	SLPP	Present
4.	Hon. Nenneh Lebbie	SLPP	Present
5.	Hon. Ambrose Maada Lebby	SLPP	Present
6.	Hon. Joseph Williams Lamin	SLPP	Present
7.	Hon. Joseph Abdul Bash Kamara	SLPP	Present
8.	Hon. Yusuf Mackery	SLPP	Present
9.	Hon. Nyava Moriba	SLPP	Present
10.	Hon. Habib Keifa Fabbah	SLPP	Present
11.	Hon. Beatrice Maaya Kangbai	SLPP	Present
12.	Hon. Osman Abdulai Charles	SLPP	Present

Bonthe District:

No.	Names of MPs Elect	Party	Attendance
1.	Hon. Segepoh Solomon Thomas	SLPP	Present
2.	Hon. Jibrila Surmoijueh	SLPP	Present
3.	Hon. Alice Jebbeh Kumabeh	SLPP	Present
4.	Hon. Idrissa Moiwai Dauda	SLPP	Present
5.	Hon. Bintu Fatmata Bockarie	SLPP	Present

Moyamba District:

No.	Names of MPs Elect	Party	Attendance
1.	Hon. Edward George	SLPP	Present
2.	Hon. Veronica Kadie Sesay	SLPP	Present
3.	Hon. Capt. (Rtd.) Sylvester Arnold Maxwell Boima	SLPP	Present
4.	Hon. Umu Pyne	SLPP	Present
5.	Hon. Mustapha Musa Sellu	SLPP	Present
6.	Hon. Alpha Ben Mansaray	APC	Absent

Pujehun District:

No.	Names of MPs Elect	Party	Attendance
1.	Hon. Sidie Mohamed Tunis	SLPP	Present
2.	Hon. Dickson Momoh Rogers	SLPP	Present
3.	Hon. Hawa Kallon	SLPP	Present





4.	Hon. Alex Mattia Rogers	SLPP	Present
5.	Hon. Abu Kemokai	SLPP	Present
6.	Hon. Mariama Munia Zombo	SLPP	Present
7.	Hon. Shiaka Musa Sama	SLPP	Present

Western Area Rural District:

No.	Names of MPs Elect	Party	Attendance
1.	Hon. Abu Bakarr Fofanah	APC	Absent
2.	Hon. Haja Miatta Amara	APC	Absent
3.	Hon. John Sartty Kargbo	APC	Absent
4.	Hon. Kemoko Conteh	APC	Absent
5.	Hon. Zinabu Timbo	APC	Absent
6.	Hon. Osman Wurie Jalloh	SLPP	Present
7.	Hon. Beatrice Iyamide Langley	SLPP	Present
8.	Hon. Amara Momoh Kargbo	SLPP	Present
9.	Hon. Ibrahim Kabba	SLPP	Present
10.	Hon. Ahmed Joseph Kanu	SLPP	Present

Western Urban District:

	Western Orban District:				
No.	Names of MPs Elect	Party	Attendance		
1.	Hon. Osman Abdal Timbo	APC	Absent		
2.	Hon. Alpha Amadu Bah	APC	Absent		
3.	Hon. Rugiatu Rosy Kanu	APC	Absent		
4.	Hon. Unpha Sorie Gbassay Koroma	APC	Absent		
5.	Hon. Mahmoud Kamara	APC	Absent		
6.	Hon. Adama Conteh	APC	Absent		
7.	Hon. Alfred Ayodele Thompson	APC	Absent		
8.	Hon. Abdulai Kamara	APC	Absent		
9.	Hon. Mariama Bangura	APC	Absent		
10.	Hon. Ibrahim Tawa Conteh	SLPP	Present		
11.	Hon. Mohamed Sheriff Rahman-Coker	SLPP	Present		
12.	Hon. Princess Kadie Daramy-Nabbie	SLPP	Present		
13.	Hon. Benjamin Turay	SLPP	Present		
14.	Hon. Idriss Sahid Kamara	SLPP	Present		
15.	Hon. Fatmata Sarah Soukenah	SLPP	Present		
16.	Hon. Abdul Sulaiman Marray-Conteh	SLPP	Present		

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Standing Orders of Parliament, The Parliament Act and the Parliamentary Prayers. He congratulated and welcomed them to the Sixth Parliament of the Second Republic of Sierra Leone.

The Clerk of Parliament, Hon. Paran Umar Tarawally, adjourned the House at 12:20 p.m.

The House resumed at 1:30 p.m.

Continued Proceedings

III. Welcome Statement by the Clerk of Parliament:

The Clerk of Parliament, **Hon. Paran Umar Tarawally**, made the following welcome statement as quoted:

"Honourable Members of Parliament, I greet you on behalf of the staff of the Sierra Leone House of Parliament. It is a great honour and with greatest of gratitude to welcome you to the Sierra Leone House of Parliament, our beacon of hope and peace and supreme legislative authority.

It is tough to compete for any kind of job, but I strongly believe that it is tougher to acquire a job as an elected Member of Parliament. The reason is simple; the screenings for most jobs are done by a few people, but when it comes to the screening for elective positions, it becomes more intensive and competitive. Your party and your people have to screen and vote you in, and this makes it a herculean task to reach where you are today. Let me, therefore, congratulate you on your success in being duly elected as Members of Parliament by your people through a free, fair and transparent election.

Over the next five years, you will be exercising the legitimate and constitutional mandate of making laws that will shape the destiny and serve the interest of our people and the future generation. All eyes are now on you; the stakes are high and the expectations are exponentially high. You will be working to ensure that government works for the people by giving voice a voice to the voiceless through law-making, transparency, accountability and equitable distribution of resources. While acknowledging that your job is challenging, I must emphasize that it is also an interesting one because you will not be on your own over the next five years. I and my professional, dependable, reliable and extraordinarily committed staff will be here to provide you with the necessary support services in your legislative, oversight and representative duties.

We are aware that you come with various qualifications and experiences, but not necessarily experience related to parliamentary practice and procedures especially for those of you who are first-termers. We have developed an orientation and induction programme that is geared towards providing you with a strong and solid foundation to





enhance your capacities to perform as effective Members of Parliament. The induction programme will be delivered by senior and experienced parliamentary staff, academics, former Members of Parliament and other Members of Parliament from the Commonwealth Parliaments. I encourage all MPs – first-termers and old MPs alike to attend the induction sessions. The sessions will be delivered over the next six months in phases. My team will communicate with you about the specific details of the entire induction programme.

Honourable Members, over the past five years, we have built a strong, reform-minded and successful administration through the excellent support and strategic vision and directives of the previous parliamentary Service Commission. Our hope is to build on that trajectory and run a corporate Parliament anchored on quality service delivery, productivity, transparency and mutual and respectful partnership between Members of Parliament and the Parliamentary Staff. We hope to work with you in this direction.

Let me again with the deepest honour and gratitude, congratulate each and every one of you for your outstanding and historic achievement of winning the mandate of the people. I wish you success over the next five years of your political career.

God bless you and God bless our country."

IV. ELECTION OF THE SPEAKER OF PARLIAMENT SECTION 79 OF THE CONSTITUTION OF SIERRA LEONE (ACT NO. 6 OF 1991) AS AMENDED BY THE CONSTITUTION OF SIERRA LEONE (AMENDMENT) ACT, 2013 AND STANDING ORDER 8.

The Clerk summarized the procedures for the election of the Speaker of Parliament. He stated that the Speaker of Parliament should be elected pursuant to Section 79 of the Constitution of Sierra Leone (Act No. 6 of 1991) as amended by the Constitution of Sierra Leone (Amendment) Act, 2013 and Standing Order 8.

Mr. Clerk elaborated on Section 79 (1) of The 1991 Constitution of Sierra Leone that stipulates the qualifications for the election of Speaker of Parliament.

Mr. Clerk referred the House to Standing Order 8 for the election of Speaker that states that a vote of not less than two-thirds of Members of Parliament. He informed the House that the current composition of Parliament was 149 Members, and two-thirds of 149 Members should be 99. He stated that during the election of the Speaker, the House would conduct the first, second and third ballots of voting that required a vote of not less than two-thirds (99), and if a candidate failed to attain 99 votes, the office of the Speaker would still be vacant until a fourth ballot of voting that was based on simple-majority and that required at least 75 votes out of 149 Members for the Speaker to be elected.





Pursuant to Section 79 (4) (c) of the Constitution of Sierra Leone, the Clerk of Parliament announced the office of the Speaker vacant.

Opening of Nominations For The Election Of Speaker Of Parliament: Hon. Mathew S. Nyuma (Kenema District) nominated Hon. Dr. Abass Chernor Bundu.

It was seconded by Hon. Bashiru Silikie (Bo District).

Closing of Nominations

In the absence of any other nomination, the nomination process for the Speaker was closed.

Question Proposed:

That Rt. Hon. Dr. Abass Chernor Bundu do take the Chair as Speaker of Parliament.

Voting was done by secret ballot.

In the election of the Speaker, a vote of not less than two-thirds was not attained in the first, second and third ballots as the results were noted as follows: First ballot - (96 MPs voted; 93 MPs voted Ayes; 1 MP voted nays; 2 MPs abstained and 0 void votes), Second ballot - (96 MPs voted: 96 MPs voted ayes; 0 nays; 0 abstained and 0 void votes) and Third ballots - (96 MPs voted: 94 MPs voted ayes; 2 MPs voted nays; 0 abstained; 0 void votes), but in the fourth ballot of simple-majority, the results were stated as follows: (95 MPs voted: 93 MPs voted ayes; 2 MPs voted nays; 0 abstained; 0 void votes).

Declaration of Resolution:

Having polled 93 votes based on simple-majority, the Clerk of Parliament, **Hon. Paran Umar Tarawally**, declared **Dr. Abass Chernor Bundu**, Speaker of the Sixth Parliament of the Second Republic of Sierra Leone.

V. SWEARING-IN OF THE SPEAKER OF PARLIAMENT (THIRD SCHEDULE OF THE CONSTITUTION OF SIERRA LEONE(ACT NO.6 OF 1991)

The Newly-elected Speaker, **the Rt. Hon. Dr. Abass Chernor Bundu**, took and subscribed the oath of office as enshrined in the Third Schedule of the Constitution of Sierra Leone (Act No. 6 of 1991) as administered by the Clerk of Parliament.

Presiding Officer – the Speaker of Parliament, The Rt. Hon. Dr. Abass Chernor Bundu





Through the leave of Mr. Speaker, Mr. Clerk was directed to conduct the election of the Deputy Speaker.

VI. ELECTION OF THE DEPUTY SPEAKER OF PARLIAMENT SECTION 80 OF THE CONSTITUTION OF SIERRA LEONE (ACT NO. 6 OF 1991) AS AMENDED BY THE CONSTITUTION OF SIERRA LEONE (AMENDMENT) ACT, 2013 AND STANDING ORDER 9.

Opening of Nominations for the Election of the Deputy Speaker: Hon. Bashiru Silikie (Bo District) nominated **Hon. Segepoh S. Thomas** for the position of the Deputy Speaker of Parliament. The nomination was seconded by **Hon. Dickson M. Rogers (Pujehun District).**

Closing of Nominations:

In the absence of any other nomination, the nomination process for the Deputy Speaker was closed.

Question Proposed:

That **Hon. Segepoh S. Thomas** do take the Chair as Deputy Speaker.

Voting was done by secret ballot.

In the election of the Deputy Speaker based on simple-majority, 95 MPs voted; 95 MPs voted ayes; 0 nays; 0 abstained; 0 void votes.

Declaration of Resolution:

Having polled 95 votes based on simple-majority, The Rt. Hon. Speaker, **Dr. Abass Chernor Bundu**, declared **Hon. Segepoh S. Thomas**, Deputy Speaker of the Sixth Parliament of the Second Republic of Sierra Leone.

Announcement and Recognition of Leadership in the House:

The Rt. Hon. Speaker, **Dr. Abass Chernor Bundu**, recognized the following Leadership Positions:

No.	Names of Leaders in the House	Positions
1.	Dr. Abass Chernor Bundu	Speaker
2.	Hon. Segepoh Solomon Thomas	Deputy Speaker
3.	Hon. Mathew Sahr Nyuma	Leader of Government Business
4.	Hon. Bashiru Silikie	Deputy Leader of Government
		Business 1





	5.	Hon. Saa Emerson Lamina	Deputy Leader of Government Business 2
	6.	Hon. Dickson M. Rogers	Chief Whip
	7.	Hon. Veronica K. Sesay	Deputy Chief Whip 1
	8.	Hon. Ibrahim Tawa Conteh	Deputy Chief Whip 2
	Question put and agreed to. The Leadership was approved ADJOURMENT : Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to Tuesday, 18th July, 2023 at 10:00 a.m. The House rose at 4:40 p.m.		