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STATEMENT ON INTERNATIONAL YOUTH DAY 2021

Today marks the International Youth Day.

As the County Government of Laikipia, we are committed to pushing the Youth Agenda forward in all areas.

One key area of focus for enabling this is to create more jobs online for our youth. Towards this end, we are set to open two more youth hubs at the Nanyuki and Nyahururu Social Halls.

In the line of talent development, over the last year we've been able to support our top four teams in the Football Kenya Federation (FKF) Division 2 League to pay for their participation fee. The department has also been able to procure sports kits for sub county league teams.

We have also embarked on a journey to make our Vocational Training Centres (VTCs) spaces for teaching and promoting production. For instance, the Nanyuki VTC has been able to build beds for our hospitals. Currently all the branding on signposts along our highways shall be produced by our VTC. All this is meant to give our youth in these VTCs first-hand experience on matters development.

On matters smart towns we've gone a step further in making our towns lively and smart by having dedicated zones for sporting activities like skating for our youth.

Enterprise development remains a key area of our focus and we continue to call upon our youth to participate fully in innovation, manufacturing and enterprise development as this with no doubt is the surest and best way to create jobs, employment opportunities and wealth for our youth.

In agriculture, as a way of attracting more youth to engage in agribusiness, we have a programme on enhancing the capacity for water for production, zero tillage farming, feedlots and better range management to enable maximum productivity and returns

As we mark this year's International Youth Day, my appeal is that we redouble our efforts and commitment towards focusing on making our spaces areas of nurturing our skills and competencies to enhance our productive capacities across the whole range of issues that we engage in.

Signed,

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