

**MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION OF PARLIAMENT URGING GOVERNMENT TO  
STREAMLINE SERVICE FEES AT MORTUARIES IN PUBLIC HOSPITALS**

*(Moved under Rule 55 of the Rules of Procedure of the Parliament of Uganda)*

**WHEREAS** the Constitution of the Republic of Uganda under Objective XIV (b) of the National Objectives and Directive Principles of State Policy mandates the State to endeavour to fulfill the fundamental rights of all Ugandans to social justice and economic development and vests the Government with a duty to provide basic medical services to the population;

**AND FURTHER WHEREAS** the provision of mortuary services is an extension of health care services as a highly valued funeral etiquette that is core in preserving the dignity of the individual in accordance with African culture;

**AWARE** that it is a requirement that all patients that die in the custody of Public hospitals must be taken to the mortuary and a postmortem report and a death certificate issued before the remains of the deceased are released to the relatives;

**FURTHER AWARE** that the practice for payment for mortuary services reveals that the fees charged are arbitrary, not publicly stipulated and unaffordable for most families and relatives of the deceased who are taken advantage of due to the ambiguities inherent in this service;

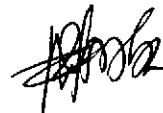
**ACKNOWLEDGING** that this unscrupulous practice has enraged the citizens of Uganda who feel that their fundamental right to health care is being unjustifiably violated;

**NOWHEREFORE** be it resolved by Parliament that;

1. Government develops clear guidelines on payment for mortuary services in all public hospitals across the country.
2. All prescribed fees be gazetted and publicized on mortuary notice boards for public consumption with clear stipulation of payment procedures.

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