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PUBLIC NOTICE

**INVITATION FOR SUBMISSIONS ON LEGISLATIVE REFORMS FOR
IMPROVEMENT OF THE CURRENT ECONOMIC SITUATION**

WHEREAS Article 43 of the Constitution confers all persons with economic and social rights to healthcare, housing, water, sanitation, education, adequate food and social security;

WHEREAS Article 174 of the Constitution provides for the objects of devolution which include to promote social and economic development, provision of services and to ensure equitable sharing of national and local resources throughout Kenya;

AND WHEREAS Article 201(a) of the Constitution on the principles of public finance requires that there should be openness and accountability, including public participation, in financial matters;

FURTHER WHEREAS Article 232(1)(d) of the Constitution requires involvement of the people in the process of policy making;

NOTING section 35(2) of the Public Finance Management Act (Cap. 412A) requires participation by the public in the budget process; and

RECOGNISING the burdens and benefits of the use of resources, raising revenue and managing expenditure equitably;

NOW THEREFORE, in compliance with Article 201(a) and 232(1)(d) of the Constitution, and section 35(2) of the Public Finance Management Act, (Cap 412A), the National Treasury hereby invites the members of the public, the national government and county governments, non-governmental organizations, civil

societies, professional bodies, private sector players, religious groups and other stakeholders to make submissions on the following: -

1. Legislative measures to facilitate funding of County Governments in case the Division of Revenue Bill and the County Allocation of Revenue Bill are not enacted by 30th June so as to prevent cash crisis that could arise and affect delivery of services by County Governments;
2. Legislative and administrative reforms to improve social and economic well-being of all Kenyans taking into account the current debt situation and the need for a sustainable public debt position without putting more burden on Kenyans;
3. Legislation to ensure equity and fairness in taxation, provide tax amnesty where justified and rationalize tax expenditures that erode revenue that would otherwise be used for implementation of projects that improve the welfare of all Kenyans; and
4. Reforms to enhance tax administration and compliance so as to ensure each taxpayer pay the rightful share of tax through reducing tax evasion and avoidance.

The proposals received in the areas listed above will inform reforms to be undertaken in revenue administration and review of legislations by the National Treasury to foster inclusive economic growth for the welfare of all Kenyans for submission to Parliament.

The hard copy of the proposals should be submitted to the undersigned or a soft copy sent through the email submissions@treasury.go.ke not later than **Friday, 4th October, 2024.**

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CABINET SECRETARY

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