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**COMMISSION'S TRIBUTE FOLLOWING THE DEMISE OF FORMER CHAIRMAN
MR. WAFULA WANYONYI CHEBUKATI**

The Commission is greatly saddened and mourn the untimely demise of its former Chairman Mr. Wafula Wanyonyi Chebukati, EGH which occurred on Friday, *21st February, 2025 at a Nairobi hospital.*

The Commission recounts with the rest of Kenyans, the good memories and acknowledge the impact that the Chairman had as he diligently served the office. He was appointed and assumed office on 17th January, 2017, a position he held until 17th January, 2023, becoming the first Chairperson of the Independent Electoral and Boundaries Commission (IEBC) to successfully complete the 6-year constitutional term.

During his tenure, Chebukati oversaw the conduct of two (2) General Elections in 2017 and 2022 and one (1) Fresh Presidential Election in 2017, making him stand out as a beacon of hope illuminating the tireless dedication to the rule of law.

His commendable achievements led the Commission be awarded the **winner of the Election Management Award** and runners up in the **Electoral Ergonomic Award** during the 19th International Electoral Awards Ceremony in Lisbon, Portugal in 2023.

The IEBC family has lost a great leader who was full of humour, listened keenly on important issues affecting the delivery of the Commission mandate and a man measured in words, who truly understood the sensitivity of his office.

At this sad time, the IEBC fraternity holds the family close in its thoughts and is deeply saddened by the profound loss. May the Almighty God give the family strength to overcome the loss of the patriarch.

Sincere Condolences.


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