

**RESOLUTION ON STREET LIGHTS WITHIN THE KINGSTON AND ST. ANDREW MUNICIPALITY**

**Whereas** the Government of Jamaica has recently settled the street lights' arrears owed to the Jamaica Public Service Co (JPSCO); and

**Whereas** property tax is the source of funding for the expenditure on street lights; and

**Whereas** successive Governments have urged citizens to pay property taxes in order to maintain the repairs to street lights; and

**Whereas** properly lit communities give residents a sense of security and well-being, and also provide far-reaching benefits to the different age cohorts; and

**Whereas** the matter of faulty street lights has been prevalent in communities across the municipality; and

**Whereas** properly lit communities provide security officers with the opportunity to better police our communities; and

**Whereas** it is stipulated that street light repairs should be done within fourteen (14) days after the request has been made, and

**Whereas** Councillors and Members of Parliament have reported malfunctioning street lights that have existed for months and sometimes in excess of one (1) year;

**Be it resolved** that defective streetlights across the municipality be repaired within fourteen (14) days or less from the date that same is reported;

**Be it also resolved** that an audit of street lights be conducted twice per year, and the results of this audit should be reflected in the remittances to the JPSCO; and

**Be it further resolved** that this resolution be circulated to all Local Authorities as well as ALGAJ, the Ministry of Local Government and Community Development, the Ministry of Finance and the JPSCO for support,

Moved by: Councillor Andrew Swaby, JP – Vineyard Town Division

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