



EFF STATEMENT ON MOTHER'S DAY

Sunday, 12 May 2024.

On this Mother's Day, the Economic Freedom Fighters (EFF) pays tribute to the immeasurable contributions of mothers across our nation. Mothers play an indispensable role in nurturing families, shaping communities, and driving progress.

However, in our society, mothers are often taken for granted and face numerous challenges within our system. Many mothers, especially single mothers, face difficulties in accessing parental justice through maintenance courts. Despite the existence of these courts, the process is often cumbersome and ineffective, leaving many mothers struggling to receive the support they need, both financially and emotionally, from fathers who neglect their responsibilities.

Furthermore, foster mothers who selflessly care for children in need often do not receive their allowances for childcare, adding to their financial burden. Working mothers juggle the responsibilities of both work and home, often without adequate support structures in place, while grandmothers, who play a vital role in caregiving, also face challenges in accessing resources and support.

As we approach the impending elections, it's crucial to highlight that the EFF has presented robust solutions for our community in our manifesto, with a key focus on alleviating the burdens faced by mothers. In line with our manifesto commitments, the EFF government will prioritise the development of effective, accessible, and responsive child maintenance court systems.

We will ensure that these courts are easily accessible and responsive, enabling single mothers to receive the support they deserve from fathers who neglect their duties. Those who fail to comply with maintenance orders will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law.

Additionally, we will establish efficient adoption, foster care, co-parenting, and guardianship services and centres to support those in need. By addressing these challenges and

implementing proactive measures, the EFF government will empower mothers and ensure that they receive the recognition, support, and justice they deserve.

On this Mother's Day, let us pay homage to and exalt the mothers who mould our lives and shape our destiny. Together, let us forge a society that not only reveres but fiercely defends and uplifts them, ensuring they receive the recognition, respect, and support they rightfully deserve.


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