

URGENT PLEA FOR 110-YEAR OLD ETINAN INSTITUTE TO BE RENOVATED.

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Mr. Speaker, Distinguished Colleagues...this Motion is brought pursuant to Order III, Rule I of the Standing Orders of the Akwa Ibom State House of Assembly (7th edition).

Etinan Institute was founded in 1915, representing the oldest school in Akwa Ibom State- a school that is the 3rd oldest post-primary institution in Akwa Ibom State- the school will be 110 years old in December 2025.

With Alumni like His Excellency Obong Akpan Isemin, my late Father- Prof. Abel Ekpo-Ufot, Chief Nelson Mianaekere, Dr. Dora Ebong, my predecessor- Rt. Hon Aniefiok Dennis Akpan, the current Commissioner for Finance- Mr. Emem Bob, Dr. Okon Emah and other erudite men and women that have contributed immensely to the growth of Akwa Ibom State.

Mr. Speaker, Leadership, Ranking Members & my Distinguished Colleagues...you will agree with me that it is

This House...

AGREES that Etinan Institute has made immeasurable contributions to the development of quality Human Resource to Akwa Ibom State & Nigeria as a whole

ACKNOWLEDGES that the glory of the institutions past existence has began to be vitiated by myraids of challenges, especially in the area of infrastructure- as can be seen in the attached pictures

AWARE that His Excellency, through the A.R.I.S.E. Agenda, is laudably involved with the construction of 31 new model schools across the State

WORRIED that the cultural heritage that this institution represents, will not be in existence in the next 5 years, if the infrastructural challenges are not addressed

CONCERNED that the over 3,600 students currently enrolled in the institution will have an unwholesome educational experience, if they continue to receive teaching in the current state of affairs

NOTES that apart from the need to renovate, there is also a need to increase the teacher to student ratio- there are only 26 teachers

RECOGNIZES that our Compassionate Governor is a lover of education

LET THIS APPEAL BE MOVED AND HEREBY ACCORDINGLY RESOLVED BY THIS HONOURABLE HOUSE THAT A PASSIONATE APPEAL IS MADE TO HIS EXCELLENCY, GOVERNOR UMO BASSEY ENO, to:

1. Approve for the renovation of Etinan Institute

My distinguished colleagues & MOST RESPECTFULLY MR. SPEAKER, I BEG TO MOVE.

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