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**Lions Club Presidents**  
**D418**

Dear Lion Presidents

## REQUEST TO UPHOLD FINANCIAL WAIVER OF DISTRICT DUES

This is a follow-up to letters received from some Clubs for District dues waivers. The Cabinet carefully deliberated on it at its 4th meeting for the 2024-2025 Lions year, held on the 10th of May, 2025, and came up with the following observations and decisions:

1. Cabinet acknowledged a letter written by the Immediate Past District Governor, Lion Kate Baaba Hudson, PMJF, to some Clubs dated 24th June, 2024. However, it was established that it was not within the right of any District Governor to solely decide to waive dues of Clubs. Cabinet was informed at the meeting that a decision had been taken by the Council of Elders of the District that District Governors should not waive dues for Clubs, as that will be a disincentive to other Clubs and may lead to Clubs intentionally deciding not to pay dues to the District, as they could later appeal for waivers.
2. There is no provision—written or implied—that District dues can be waived. Allowing such waivers sets a dangerous and unsustainable precedent that undermines the financial integrity of the District. Furthermore, LCI allows that Clubs owing District dues be placed on status quo at the District level, as part of administrative controls. This is not punitive but a necessary measure to protect the overall health of the District and uphold transparency and accountability.
3. Cabinet noted a growing concern about the non-payment of dues, particularly to LCI, when due. Several Clubs face the risk of financial suspension if they are unable to meet their obligations. It is important to reiterate that LCI does not waive unpaid dues but may approve manageable financial plans.
4. Relating to District dues, as we advance, the 2024-2025 Cabinet has decided that Clubs with outstanding dues with genuine challenges be offered structured payment plans, where a percentage of the arrears is paid alongside current dues, with the remainder spread across an agreed period while being accorded good standing status over the time agreed for the payments.

I therefore entreat all to note this and comply as appropriate, honouring our financial obligations to support the development of the District.

Yours in service,

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**District Governor, D418 - Ghana, 2024-2025**

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