

**SPEECH BY THE CHAIRMAN BOARD OF TRUSTEES ENG. KEN MBIUKI DURING ZETECH UNIVERSITY'S GRADUATION CEREMONY HELD ON 11<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2022.**

- The Chief Guest, **AAR Insurance Group CEO**, Dr. Patrick Gatonga.
- The Chancellor, Zetech University, Prof. Susan Alfano Nkinyangi
- The Chairman, Zetech University Council, Mr. Hassan Mohammed
- Members of the Zetech University Council
- The Vice-Chancellor, Zetech University, Prof. Njenga Munene
- Members of the Zetech University Management Board
- Members of the Zetech University Senate
- Zetech University staff
- Students, Parents and guardians
- Distinguished Guests
- Graduands, Ladies and gentlemen

**Good Morning,**

It gives me great pleasure to join you all today, as we crown the success of our graduands. I am extremely proud of the accomplishments of the graduating class of 2022 and convey my best wishes to them as they transition to the next phase of their professional journey.

This is a great day for our University and graduands as they reap the fruits of their hard-earned success and are ushered into the world to make a difference both nationally and internationally.

They have not just mastered their skills in their various areas of specialization, but have also demonstrated their ability to learn independently and grow academically. Socially, psychologically and spiritually. All of you here today can agree with me that these are skills that will sail them through their careers and the lifelong process of learning

My sincere appreciation goes to the University Board, the Council, and management for their institutional and board support for a strategic vision and our ongoing quest to be a leading university in research, innovation, knowledge creation and dissemination. As the Chairman Board of Trustees at Zetech University, I confidently affirm the Board's commitment to leading, guiding and supporting the University in its ongoing quest for sustainability and viability through strategic planning and governance.

**Development of Mang'u Campus**

I am pleased to announce that the first phase of the 26-acre piece of land that we acquired in Mang'u and broke grounds in September 2021 is now complete and operational. The project was

handed over to us by the developer on (date) for commissioning and we admitted about 700 of our government-sponsored students for 10 new Bachelors programs on 5<sup>th</sup> September 2022.

This is going to be the seat of our university and we remain committed to completing the second phase of this project, which shall have a University Complex, indoor sports arena, administration block, students center, a high-rise tower and a hospital.

### **Staff and Faculty**

I commend the staff and faculty for their dedication, commitment, sacrifices and the critical role that they have played in ensuring that our graduates get the best quality of education and the most value from the university facilities. I reiterate the BOT's commitment to providing and maintaining an institutional climate and culture that makes it possible for the staff and faculty to execute their mandate in an environment that is conducive both personally and collectively.

The faculty is undoubtedly the key player at Zetech University but we can not downplay the contribution of every individual in ensuring successful student enrollment, a conducive learning environment and effective development and delivery of our and programs.

### **The class of 2022**

Today, we celebrate the success of the graduating class of 2022, which is a reflection of a tremendous team effort from themselves, parents and guardians.

It is now time for you to pursue your dreams and aspirations and I am confident that you have what it takes to excel. Success in a profession is founded on commitment, discipline and hard work. When faced with a tough situation, a winner will say, "It may be difficult but it is possible" while a loser says, "It may be possible but it is too difficult".

A winner believes in commitments while a loser fails to see beyond the challenge. That is what sets them apart.

Congratulations and best wishes in your endeavors.

God bless our University. God bless us all.

Thank you.

**Eng. Ken Mbiuki**

**Chairman BOT,**

**Zetech University.**

