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Mr. Nelson Havi President Law Society of Kenya P.O Box 72219-00200 Nairobi Kenya

Dear Mister Havi,

We send our warmest congratulations upon your election as President of Law Society of Kenya. Your decisive victory is a personal triumph and an historic achievement.

Your election has brought special excitement and inspired many young people as few other events in recent times have done. Many young people see it as a tremendous opportunity for the youth. Many are hopeful that you will bring a bold new voice of hope in endeavors to make Kenya a better place that all people especially the youth can be proud to call home.

We note and applaud your commitment to supporting the cause of young lawyers and 'ordinary' Kenyans. We trust that you will also make it the mission of your presidency to fight impunity, inequality and injustices in the country.

Your presidency brings hope of new beginnings in the relations between Youth Serving Organisations like ours and the Law Society of Kenya. And we hope to work together with you in advancing our shared goals and some key issues including to:

- Support young lawyers to find pupilage, and ensure that they are not harassed, mistreated nor subjected to poor working conditions.
- Address a myriad of problems in legal education and to establish and address the worrying trend of mass failure by students sitting bar examinations at the Kenya School of Law (KSL).
- File public interest cases, strengthen the society, fight impunity and ensure that all irrespective of their status respects the rule of law.
- Enhance mentorship programs that enrich young lawyers professional careers.
- Reduce and make affordable the amount paid by young lawyers for Continuous Professional Development.



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- Ensure that more young lawyers are employed in various firms, parastatals, government and Non Governmental Organisations.
- Break the cartels in the legal professional and give more room to the underpaid young lawyers.
- Ensure full and proper implementation of the constitution especially to improve the lives of citizens including the youth.
- 9. Strengthen collaboration with Civil Society and Youth Serving Organizations.
- 10. Revamp the Society to give strong leadership that is required.

We would like to offer to you our most sincere wishes for a successful term as president of the Law Society of Kenya. We look forward to working with you closely to further strengthen our friendship and to advance our common objectives.

Sincerely

Raphael Obonyo

Convener