

Mayor's Parlour, Kampala

Kampala Declaration of Ugandan Mayors and other Urban Leaders on HIV/AIDS

We, the Mayors/Urban Leaders of Uganda, meeting on 28 November 2000 in Kampala on the occasion of launching the declaration of Ugandan Mayors/ Urban Leaders on HIV/AIDS, have adopted the following declaration called the "Kampala Declaration":

Aware that precarious economic conditions in our cities and urban councils intensify the impact on HIV/AIDS on vulnerable communities, in particular women and youth, and jeopardize our long term local development plans;

Recognizing that our cities and urban councils are increasingly becoming centers of demographic growth in our country and that, given the powers invested in them, our cities and urban councils have an important role to play in responding to the many challenges posed by the HIV/AIDS epidemic;

We hereby commit ourselves to search for solutions relevant to local needs and realities, in accordance with the goals and principles of the United Nations and our own laws and regulations, in order to respond more effectively to HIV/AIDS in our communities.

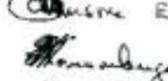
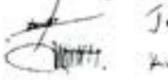
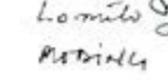
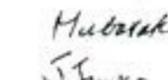
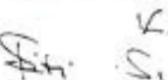
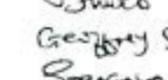
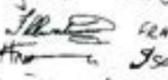
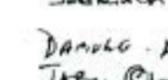
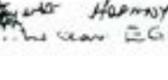
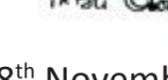
To this end, we have agreed to:

- Aim to reduce the socio economic impact of HIV/AIDS in our communities by implementing effective measures to reduce HIV transmission.
- Promote and co-ordinate local multi- sectoral approaches for HIV prevention and the care of infected and affected people.
- Participate in efforts to mobilize the human and financial resources necessary to implement local strategies.
- Ensure the active involvement of people infected and affected by the HIV epidemic in designing and implementing local strategies.
- Strengthen solidarity amongst our cities and develop an effective partnership with national and international, public and private stakeholders.

We, therefore commit ourselves to:

- Ensure that the search for effective solution to HIV/AIDS is a public policy priority.
- Effectively involve our citizens in designing action plans, defining local strategies and implementing activities.
- Provide the necessary institutional support to our cities and urban communities and strengthen their capacity to intervene.
- Guarantee transparency and accountability in programme management.

We, Mayors and Urban Leaders gathered here, hereby endorse this Declaration:

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