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IN THE HIGH COURT FOR ZAMBIA
AT THE PRINCIPAL REGISTRY
HOLDEN AT LUSAKA
(Civil Jurisdiction)

2026/HP/EP/ 019

IN THE MATTER OF:	**THE PARLIAMENTARY ELECTION PETITION FOR LUBANSENSHI CONSTITUENCY SITUATE IN LUWINGU DISTRICT OF THE NORTHERN PROVINCE OF THE REPUBLIC OF ZAMBIA HELD ON 13TH AUGUST 2026**
IN THE MATTER OF:	**ARTICLE 73 (1) OF THE CONSTITUTION OF ZAMBIA AS READ WITH SECTION 98 (C) OF THE ELECTORAL PROCESS ACT NUMBER 35 OF 2016**
IN THE MATTER OF:	**SECTION 69 AND 70 OF THE ELECTORAL PROCESS ACT NUMBER 35 OF 2016 AS READ WITH THE ELECTORAL PROCESS (GENERAL) REGULATIONS, 2016**
IN THE MATTER OF:	**SECTION 89 ELECTORAL PROCESS ACT NUMBER 35 OF 2016**
IN THE MATTER OF:	**SECTIONS 97, 98 AND 99 OF THE ELECTORAL PROCESS ACT NO.35 OF 2016**
IN THE MATTER OF:	**THE ELECTORAL COMMISSION OF ZAMBIA ACT NO. 25 OF 2016**

BETWEEN:

CHEWE KABWE TAULO	**PETITIONER**
AND	
GEORGE K. MWAMBA	**1ST RESPONDENT**
ELECTORAL COMMISSION OF ZAMBIA	**2ND RESPONDENT**

REPUBLIC OF ZAMBIA HIGH COURT OF ZAMBIA 28 AUG 2026 PRINCIPAL REGISTRY 1 P.O. BOX 50067, LUSAKA.

PETITION

The Petition of **CHEWE KABWE TAULO** a Zambian national and businessman ordinarily resident at G907 Ndeke Village, Kitwe and whose address for service is Messrs Kamwi Andeleki Legal Practitioners of Premium House Office, 8th Floor-suite 801B whose Postal Address is 37619, in the City and Province of Lusaka of the Republic of Zambia **SHOWETH** that:

1. Your Petitioner, was a candidate at the parliamentary election held for Lubansenshi Constituency to which this election petition relates and he is entitled to present this Petition as a person who was a candidate at the election.

2. The election was held on the13th day of August, 2026 and the Petitioner was adopted by the **UNITED PARTY FOR NATIONAL DEVELOPMENT (UPND).**
3. Your Petitioner states that in the election referred to in paragraph 2 above, the candidates were:
   (a) **George K. Mwamba**;
   (b) **Innocent Mulenga Kolala**; and
   (c) **Chewe Kabwe Taulo**.
4. On the 15th of August, 2026, the Returning Officer declared the following election results:
   (a) George K. Mwamba of the National Reconciliation Party for Unity and Prosperity (NRPUP) received 4,312 votes;
   (b) Innocent Mulenga Kolala, Independent (IND) received 4,301;
   (c) Chewe Kabwe Taulo of the United Party for National Development (UPND) received 2,010 votes;
   (d) 349 votes were rejected as invalid;
   (e) Total number of votes cast were 10972.
5. Further to paragraph 4, the Returning Officer declared the 1st Respondent as the duly elected Member of Parliament for Lubansenshi Constituency.
6. The 1st Respondent was not duly elected.
7. The grounds upon which the Petitioner relies are as follows-

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8. The 2nd Respondent failed to make a decision for a recount on an objection concerning the counting of votes and announcement of provisional results contrary to section 69 and 70 of the Electoral Process Act No. 35 of 2016 as follows:
   (i) The affected polling stations include; Misambula, Chifwile, Mukanga, Makumba, Njoko, Mwingilila, Shimumbi 1, Shimumbi 2, Kandata, Kasunga, Kapili, Nsolo, Fikoni, Malekani, Palangoto and Kaseya.

   (ii) The Petitioner states that at the close of the polls, his agents were told to sign the Gen 20 Forms by the Presiding Officers despite their objection to the counting of votes and announcement of provisional results.
   (iii) The Petitioner and his agents brought the irregularities in the electoral process to the attention of the Returning Officers but he and his agents were told to go to Court if they had any grievance.

9. Further to paragraph 8, the 1st Respondent and his agents engaged in illegal practices during elections contrary to section 89 of the Electoral Process Act No. 35 of 2016 in that he was involved in undue influence, threats, intimidation, violence and conducting campaigns at the polling stations on the voting day in all the wards in the Constituency.
   (i) At Misambula Constituency, the 1st Respondent, his agents and Polling Agents were seen telling voters during the election day to vote him.
   (ii) At Kalingeme Polling, the 1st Respondent and his agents were heard telling voters that UPND is a finished Party and they are going back to Opposition while chanting slogans such as " *ukuya kwena muleya elo muleya set" and vote nipali Penda, wapa lampi and even flashing the symbol."*
   (iii) At Bulambo Polling Station, the 1st Respondents agents were playing campaign songs for NRPUP within the precincts of the Polling Station.
10. As a result of the above events having taken place in the Polling Stations and in the constituency as a whole, the announced results and the declaration of the 1st Respondent as Member of Parliament by the 2nd Respondent is irregular as the total number of votes are not a true and correct reflection of the total number of votes apportioned to the Petitioner.
11. Whereof, Your Petitioner prays for;
   (i) An order to conduct a recount of the votes in the said election;
   (ii) An order that the 1st Respondent was not duly elected as Member of Parliament for Lubansenshi Constituency;
   (iii) A declaration that the election of the 1st Respondent as Member of Parliament for Lubansheshi Constituency was null and void;
   (iv) A declaration that CHEWE KABWE TAULO was duly elected Member of Parliament for Lubansenshi Constituency should recount confirm that he received the majority of votes.
   (v) Any other relief the Court may deem fit.
   (vi) Costs

YOUR PETITIONER WILL EVER PRAY.

DATED at Lusaka this ..... day of 2026

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PETITIONER

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