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MEDIA STATEMENT

MEC MEYER SENDS CONDOLENCES TO FAMILY OF FORMER KZN PUBLIC WORKS AND INFRASTRUCTURE MEC, DR MAHLABA, FOLLOWING FATAL ACCIDENT

KZN Public Works and Infrastructure MEC Martin Meyer sends his deepest condolences and prayers to family, friends and colleagues of Dr Ntuthuko Mahlaba who formerly served as MEC for the department.

News of his sudden and untimely passing today reached MEC Meyer who received it with a heavy heart.

Mahlaba had been serving as Chair of Chairs in the KZN provincial legislature as well as a member of the Provincial Task team for his party.

Prior to that, in 2022 Mahlaba served the people of the province of KwaZulu-Natal as MEC of the then KZN Department of Human Settlements and Public Works. He also served as MEC for the KZN Department of Sports, Arts and Culture.

Despite his prestigious academic qualification as a medical doctor, Dr Mahlaba continuously improved his academic standing, including graduating with a Master's degree this year. His character will always be defined by his pursuit of ongoing self-improvement and growth.

His belief in the ideology of improvement was something he shared with others through his activism participation where he was a shop steward who championed the rights of workers and challenged unfair labour practices while employed as a medical staff member at Madadeni regional hospital.

Dr Mahlaba leaves behind his wife and beautiful twins along with family, friends and colleagues who admired and looked up to him.

To MEC Meyer Dr Mahlaba will be remembered as someone who often spoke less but listened more, something that is a rare quality, but when he spoke it reflected his deeper analysis which was often invaluable.

MEC Meyer describes Dr Mahlaba's perspective during their engagements and working relationship as refreshing and sobering which is often desired by many leaders of today.

The KZN Department of Public Works and Infrastructure family sends its collective prayers and well-wishes to the Mahlaba family.

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