



## **MEDIA ADVISORY**

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### **Gauteng Provincial Government (GPG) to oversee send-off to training for military veterans**

The Gauteng Provincial Government will on Wednesday, 10 April 2024, host a send-off ceremony for two thousand five hundred (2500) military veterans at the Grace Bible Church in Pimville. The military veterans have been recruited to join the Gauteng Traffic Wardens (GTWs), as part of the Nasi iSpani recruitment programme which was launched in June 2023.

The Nasi iSpani programme is aimed at addressing unemployment and promoting access to job opportunities available within the provincial government departments and their agencies.

Although the programme was initially targeted at Gauteng youth, the magnitude of the unemployment challenge in the province led to the programme being extended to all unemployed Gauteng residents.

Gauteng Premier, Mr Panyaza Lesufi, and the Gauteng Department of Community Safety MEC, Ms Faith Mazibuko will engage the military veterans during the send-off ceremony as they will begin their training as Gauteng Traffic Wardens.

The military veterans will supplement the work of law enforcement agencies across Gauteng to eliminate crime, corruption, lawlessness, and vandalism in communities. The military veterans will act as force multipliers and implement the concept of ward-based policing to ensure the safety of Gauteng residents.

### **Members of the media are invited to the ceremony planned as follows:**

**Date:** Wednesday, 10 April 2024

**Time:** 13h00

**Venue:** Grace Bible Church, Pimville, Soweto

Members of the media are requested to confirm their attendance with Charmaine Kgopa on 0787428693 or [charmaine.kgopa@gauteng.gov.za](mailto:charmaine.kgopa@gauteng.gov.za)

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