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GAUTENG COGTA MEC MZI KHUMALO NOTES THE RESIGNATION OF CITY OF TSHWANE EXECUTIVE MAYOR, COUNCILLOR RANDAL WILLIAMS

The MEC of Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs, E-Government, Research and Development Mr Mzi Khumalo notes the resignation of the City of Tshwane Executive Mayor, Councillor Randal Williams.

The collapse of financial management under the Executive Mayor, coupled with the persistent governance challenges that plague the City of Tshwane has rendered the Municipality incapable of discharging its constitutional mandate and responsibility.

We have noted the adverse findings on the unauthorized, wasteful and fruitless expenditure while the communities faced service delivery challenges. We urge the City of Tshwane to improve service delivery for the benefit of communities.

The MEC urges the political parties in the City of Tshwane to ensure that there is stability in the municipality and that the Municipal Council prioritizes the election of a new Executive Mayor.

MEC Khumalo is of the view that the expeditious election of the new Executive Mayor and the subsequent appointment of members of the mayoral committee is crucial so that the new executive can, amongst others, attend to the Auditor-General's recent adverse findings on unauthorized, wasteful and fruitless expenditure, coupled with the persistent governance challenges that beset the City of Tshwane.

The MEC will provide detailed feedback on the outcomes of the Auditor – General Report on the City of Tshwane, after consultation with the Office of the Auditor General.

We wish Councillor Randal Williams well in his future endeavours.

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