



## **MEDIA STATEMENT**

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### **MEC CHILOANE SADDENED BY PASSING OF MATTHEW GONIWE DEPUTY CHAIRPERSON**

Gauteng Education MEC Matome Chiloane is saddened by the untimely passing of Nomvuyo Violet Ntsali, the Board of Directors Deputy Chairperson of Matthew Goniwe School of Leadership and Governance (MGSLG).

Ms Ntsali passed away in the morning on Thursday, 2 November 2023, after a short illness at home. She was hospitalised for week in September 2023 and was later discharged to recover at home. She showed commitment to improving education as she carried on with her duties, despite her ill-health, until her untimely death.

It is important to note that MGSLG was established to continue with the legacy of anti-apartheid activist and dedicated teacher Matthew Goniwe (1946 - 1985), to improve quality of education. This institution has consistently worked alongside the Gauteng Department of Education, playing a pivotal role in shaping the standard and inclusivity of education in the province.

Through the leadership, dedication and support of Ms Ntsali, MGSLG succeeded in providing training on governance to members of School Governing Bodies (SGBs) across the province, funding the studies of prospective Early Childhood Development (ECD) practitioners, helping them obtain their qualifications, and ultimately spearheading research which necessitated urgent interventions on advancing school safety.

“We wish to convey our sincerest condolences to his family, colleagues and friends. This is indeed a huge loss to the education sector. Ms Ntsali has been a dedicated and selfless leader. We will dearly miss her valuable contribution to the sector, may her soul rest in peace,” said MEC Chiloane.

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