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Limpopo Provincial Government Celebrates International Older Person's Day

The Limpopo Provincial Government under the leadership of Premier Chupu Stanley Mathabatha wishes all elderly persons in the Province a happy International Older Persons Day. This year's International Older Person's Day is celebrated under the theme, "Pandemics: Do they change how we address age and aging"

"Senior citizens are reservoirs of knowledge and as a nation we need to protect them against any form of abuse. We condemn the recent sporadic killings of our senior citizens. It is our duty to uphold and promote rights of older persons. The recent incident of the killing of an 80-year-old woman at a retirement home in Polokwane, is barbaric." said Premier Chupu Stanley Mathabatha.

The outbreak of the COVID19 pandemic also poses serious challenges to older persons as they are more vulnerable to the infections, primarily because most of them have chronic diseases. It is therefore important that they are cared for at all costs.

As a province, we pride ourselves with elders who continue to excel in music, education, community services, sport, business and many other fields. The provincial government is committed to provide services to our older persons as enshrined in the Constitution.

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