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TO ALL NEWS EDITORS AND JOURNALISTS

RE: Premier of Limpopo's Statement on the Conviction in the Murder of Mayor Moses Maluleke

The Premier of Limpopo Mr Chupu Stanley Mathabatha has welcomed the sentencing of five individuals who were convicted for the heinous murder of the late Councillor Moses Maluleke, the esteemed Mayor of Collins Chabane Municipality.

On Thursday 11 April 2024 the Limpopo High Court in Polokwane delivered a landmark judgment, sentencing five individuals to life imprisonment for the heinous murder of Cllr Maluleke.

“This verdict marks a significant moment in our justice system, demonstrating our unwavering commitment to upholding the rule of law and ensuring that justice is served for the victims of violent crimes and their families.”

“The loss of Mayor Maluleke was not only a tragedy for his family but also a profound loss for the community and the province which he served with dedication and compassion. His untimely death is a stark reminder of the challenges we face in combating crime and violence in our society. The bravery and resilience of his family, especially in the face of such adversity, have been a beacon of hope and strength for us all,” said Premier Mathabatha.

The conviction and sentencing to life imprisonment of Shumani Nemadodzi, Avhatakali Isaac Mudau, Wiseman Baloyi, Tshianeo Munyai and Pfunzo Lidzebe sends a clear message that criminal acts will not be tolerated.

Premier Mathabatha further said: “As we reflect on this case, let us remember the values that Mayor Maluleke stood for: service, generosity and community development. Let his legacy inspire us to work even harder towards creating a safer, more just Limpopo where every citizen can live without fear.

“Our thoughts remain with the Maluleke family during this time. We hope that the verdict brings them some measure of solace and closure. The Limpopo Provincial Government reaffirms its commitment to supporting the family and the community as they continue to heal from this tragedy.”

Premier Mathabatha concluded by reiterating the government's dedication to enhancing public safety, supporting law enforcement agencies and strengthening of the justice system to prevent such senseless acts of violence in the future.

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