

MEDIA RELEASE

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Attention: All Editors and Journalists

RE: LIMPOPO PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT WELCOMES THE BURGERSFORT TRIO IN CAPE TOWN

The Limpopo Provincial Government is thrilled to announce that a high-powered delegation will be in Cape Town this afternoon, 14 April 2025, to warmly welcome three remarkable young men from Burgersfort, who have captured the hearts of the nation.

The MEC for Sport, Arts and Culture, Mr Jerry Maseko, MEC for Health, Ms Dieketseng Mashego and the Mayor of Fetakgomo-Tubatse Municipality, Cllr Eddie Maila, will be joined by representatives from the Western Cape Government to greet the BMX Gauta Team as they complete their extraordinary journey.

Gauta Mahlakoane, Maxwell Ndou and Karabo Mokoo, known as the BMX Gauta Team, have inspired South Africa with their incredible 13-day journey from Burgersfort to Cape Town, 1 741 km, on ordinary BMX bicycles. Against all odds, these young cyclists have shown the power of determination and resilience, igniting a wave of admiration and support across the country.

Limpopo Premier, Dr Phophi Ramathuba, who has been in constant contact with the trio, expressed her deep appreciation for their remarkable achievement: “What these young men have done is no ordinary matter. They have not just thought outside the box; they have kicked the box and redefined what is possible. Their courage and innovative spirit are a testimony to the potential of our youth,” she stated.

In recognition of their incredible journey, the provincial government is committed to helping the trio fulfil their dreams of exploring Cape Town. The provincial government has arranged for them to visit iconic sites such as Robben Island, Table Mountain, the V&A Waterfront and other places of interest, enriching their experience in the city.

Upon their return, the Limpopo Provincial Government is planning a special reception to honour their achievements and provide them with a platform to inspire other young people. This initiative aligns with our vision of a Limpopo free from joblessness, gender-based violence, crime and other social ills, said Premier Dr Ramathuba.

The presence of the Limpopo delegation at their arrival will serve as a powerful reminder that their journey is not only appreciated but celebrated by the entire province. The Provincial Government invites everyone to join in recognising the spirit of adventure and determination embodied by these young men.

The reception will take place at the Southern Sun Cape Sun, City Bowl in Cape Town, starting at 13:30.

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