MUNICIPALITY COMMEMORATES CENTENARY CELEBRATIONS OF TATA AND MAMA

MOGALAKWENA: Government calls on all South Africans, international communities and civil society to play their part in recognizing and emulating the values of the first democratic President, Nelson Mandela, as the country celebrates his Centenary.

This year, the country also celebrates the centenary of one of the great daughters of the African soil Mama Albertina Sisulu, who dedicated her life to fight for the emancipation of women and the liberation of South Africa.

Mogalakwena Municipality Mayor, Her Worship Cllr Andrina Matsemela accompanied by Councillors and EXCO members visited Mogalakwena Hospice and Rehabilitation Centre in Mapela, Armoed Village.

Mayor donated 100 blankets, water tank, washing machine, and paints and the Mayor promised to come back and donate bed matrasses. Mayor and the entourage later proceeded to Thabaleshoba village in the Rebone cluster where Mayor alongside the African National Congress Limpopo PEC member Tally Mashamaite, Councillors and Voortrekker Hospital CEO Dr Malumbete Ralethe donated 100 blankets in celebrations on Tata Mandela and Mama Sisulu centenary commemorations.

"The strong foundations laid by both Tata Madiba and Mama Sisulu empowers this generation to press on to make society a better place to live in. South Africans and the international community should continue celebrating the Mandela centenary under the theme 'Be the Legacy" said Mayor Matsemela.

"The theme of this centenary means that each person should emulate the true values that Madiba upheld. We were even blessed by the visit of former USA state President, Barrack Obama. This shows that indeed Tata Mandela was a great leader who showed the world what is selflessness. Tata strived to attain peace, showed us what is forgiveness, and ensured justice and equality for all," added Matsemela.

"As we are wrapping up Mandela celebrations today, ever person should take what they have learnt from Madiba and his approach and apply it to everyday life. He not only believed in his values but also conveyed them in his daily life, and we need to re-live his values to keep his dream alive of a better South Africa and to make the world a better place," said Matsemela.

"Among those who fought relentlessly and played a significant role to attain the freedom we enjoy today, was Nelson Mandela. He was driven by his belief in human rights and played a pivotal role in ensuring that the realisation of peaceful transition from apartheid to democracy and led to the development of one of the most liberal and progressive Constitutions," Matsemela signed off.

Mayor and the entourage proceeded to Thabaleshoba Health Centre as they joined Limpopo PEC member Tally Mashamaite and Voortreker Hospital CEO Dr. Malumbete Ralethe where they donated hundred blankets to the village pensioners.