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MEDIA RELEASE

NGAKA MODIRI MOLEMA COMMEMORATES “HUMAN RIGHTS DAY” 21 MARCH 2013 IN PROMOTING THE RIGHT TO HAVE ACCESS TO WATER

Ngaka Modiri Molema District Municipality joins South Africans on this day celebrating the rights of human beings, the right of living and the right to have access to water, simply because we are human. Human Rights day is part of the historic “**anti-Pass campaign**” on the 21st of March in 1960, where the Sharpeville massacre took place. Police fired at the protesters where 69 people were killed and 180 of them wounded, fighting against the pass law of the Apartheid regime.

The South African constitution further provides the establishment of the South African Human Rights Commission which is aimed to promote respect for Human Rights promote and protect development and attainment of human rights in South Africa.

As a Water Services Authority, Ngaka Modiri Molema District Municipality joins hands with all South African to commemorate the day by ensuring communities that we are committed to provide water and sanitation.

The Year 2013 marks South Africa’s 17th year of celebrating human rights day. We acknowledge and remember those that have fought spiritedly and sacrificed their lives, today we live in a Democratic State.

"Peace can only last where human rights are respected, where the people are fed, and where individuals and nations are free." [Dalai Lama](#)

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