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COUNCIL SPEAKER NGAKA MODIRI MOLEMA DISTRICT MUNICIPALITY

TUESDAY, 28 FEBRUARY 2017

DISTRICT CHAMBER

Honourable Executive Mayor of the District Municipality TJ Makolomakwa;

Council Whip Honourable Cllr Itumeleng Lethoko

All Honourable MMCs present today;

Honourable Councillors representing various political parties present today;

Magosi a rona a tlotlegang;

Our respective administration of the Municipality;

Various key stakeholders and our guests;

Ke le dumedisa botlhe.

The Premier of Bokone Bophirima, Honourable Supra Obakeng Ramoetsi Mahumapelo in his State of the Province Address on the 24th of February 2017 in Taung, emphasised on **"A deliberate and focused attention to the growth and development of the Province's Village, Township and Small Dorpies (VTSD)"**, committing that the provincial government will table a Bill to force both state and private sector to spend 70% of their budget in the VTSDs and that the VTSD Preferential Procurement Act will come into effect by the 1st of April 2017.

The presentation of State Of the Nation Address by President Jacob Zuma and the Budget Speech by Minister Pravin Gordhan were amongst highlights of the month of February 2017.

Honourable Councillors, today as we will be deliberating on the Budget Adjustment for 2016/17 financial year, we need to be vigilant on whether pronouncements by the National and Provincial Government are implemented in Ngaka Modiri Molema District Municipality.

We acknowledge the commitment made by the provincial government to improve the economy of Ngaka Modiri Molema District by funding various projects in the four of the five Local Municipalities.

We align ourselves with the national and provincial aim to promote radical economic growth and better service delivery.

Ke rata go tswelala ka go leboga Ramasedi ka go utlwa selelo sa rona sa leuba, mme a re tshegofatsa ka pula.

As a Water Service Authority, by law the results of this nature driven outcome will increase water levels in our underground sources.

Re itumela fa didiba tsa rona le metswedi e tla re kgontsa go tlamela baagi ba rona ka metsi, le fa mo nakong e, go ise go lekane, even though we had experienced floods in various parts of our Province and let us take this opportunity to send condolences to all families affected by this disaster which has also led to loss of lifes.

The visit by the Honourable Minister Desmond van Rooyen yesterday, is mostly appreciated by this Council.

The Minister came in this District mainly to assess damages caused by floods.

We further appreciate the temporary shelter provided to affected families in Gelukspan and Bodibe by the Department of Local Government & Human Settlement led by MEC Gaolaolwe.

On that note Councillors, let us recognise the work done by the Provincial Government in assisting our District during this disaster period.

Together as Councillors we must ensure that all commitments and the oath we took to serve our communities are kept alive

"Together we move Ngaka Modiri Molema District and Bokone Bophirima forward".

Kea leboga....