

MESSAGE OF CONDOLENCE TO THE NYANDA FAMILY BY THE MEC FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, ENVIRONMENT AND TOURISM, MR NORMAN MOKOENA ON THE PASSING AWAY OF MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT, COMRADE FLORENCE NTHOMBIZODWA NYANDA

A somber atmosphere is currently engulfing the country and our province, as we are battling to come to terms with the passing away of **Comrade Florence “Mom Flo” Nyanda** – a dedicated and selfless cadre of our movement.

We are saddened by the death of Mom Flo, who was called to her final resting place on the 6th of May 2012 at her KaNyamazane home after a long illness. She was a long standing Member of the ANC Women’s League, who was the champion of women’s rights and gender equality. She has served the ANC, the people of Mpumalanga and the people of South Africa with distinction and utmost dedication – the freedom fighter who was always ready to put her life at risk in order to save others.

As we continue to celebrate the centenary of the people’s movement – the African National Congress, let us do so in remembering the priceless contribution and sacrifices made by Mom Flo when she was still alive. Let us continue on her path to fight for our people’s rights, especially of women, children and people with disabilities – the vulnerable groups which were close to her heart. By so doing, we would be honouring her and acknowledging the live well lived.

To the Nyanda family, and Mom Flo’s family within the ANC, you do not walk alone. My thoughts are with you during these trying times. Comrade Florence will remain an inspiration and a beacon of hope for women in our country, and our province in particular,

who must continue emulate her commitment to the struggle and the advancement of democracy.

May the soul of our beloved Comrade – Mom Flo, rest in eternal peace! She will be eternally missed.

HAMBA KAHLE MOM FLO – HAMBA KAHLE DAUGHTER OF THE SOUL!