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ANNOUNCEMENTS, TABLINGS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

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THURSDAY, 15 JULY 2021

VIRTUAL SITTING: 10H00

1. PRAYER (Item 1 on the Order Paper)

Opportunity for Prayer or silent meditation

2. OBITUARIES (Item 2 on the Order Paper)

2.1 Honourable Members, let us take a moment to remember all the departed souls from this world. They will forever remain in our thoughts and will be missed beyond measure:

- Prof James Steven Mzilikazi Khumalo, composer and

professor emeritus of African languages at the University of the Witwatersrand;

- Mr Dan Mabuyakhulu, former Provincial Chairperson of SADTU in KwaZulu-Natal;
- Ms Thandi Matiwane; a senior caucus member of staff who has been in the service for many years;
- Mr Geoff Makhubo, Executive Mayor of the City of Johannesburg and Chairperson of the ANC's Greater Johannesburg Region;
- Mr Michael Zuma, former President Mr JG Zuma's younger brother;
- Dr Baldwin Siphon "Ben" Ngubane, a medical doctor and an astute politician who held multiple positions in the Provincial and National Government.

Dr Ngubane served on the Board of the SABC and was also the Chairperson of the Land Bank, among other roles.

Prior to joining Eskom, Dr Ngubane was South Africa's Ambassador to Japan. He was awarded the Grand Cordon of the Japanese Order of the Rising Sun for his contributions "to the enhancement of the relationship and the co-operation in science and technology between Japan and South Africa".

Dr Ngubane served as the Minister of Arts, Culture, Science and Technology in the national government, Premier of KwaZulu-Natal and Minister of Health in the KwaZulu government.

He served on the Codesa working group which dealt with constitutional principles and constitution making on behalf of the Inkatha Freedom Party.

- 72 people who have died as a result of ongoing violence and looting in South Africa; and
- All citizens of this Province who have passed on in the recent past as a result of Covid 19-related complications and road accidents.

Honourable Members, let us now observe a moment of silence to honour all departed souls. May their souls rest in eternal peace.

2.2 Honourable Members and staff, I want us to remain vigilant during the third wave of the Covid-19 pandemic. Please continue to be ambassadors who observe and adhere to protocols at all times so that we may assist government's initiatives to curb the spread of the virus and be of assistance to health practitioners and facilities by reducing the burden that has been placed on them.

3. ANNOUNCEMENTS (Item 3 on the Order Paper)

3.1 ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER REGARDING AN EXECUTIVE STATEMENT BY THE PREMIER

Honourable Members, before we proceed, it is imperative that I make an announcement on a matter that is on the Order Paper for today.

The Premier has written to the Speaker, requesting that he be allowed to make an executive statement to this House, in terms of Rule 104, on recent incidents in the province. Due to the gravity and extent of these incidents, it is imperative that we as a Legislature deal with it extensively

and comprehensively and are provided with all of the necessary information relating to the efforts of the Executive Council to address the situation.

We know that Rule 104 imposes a time limit of 20 minutes on the Premier to make a statement, except if the Presiding Officer consents to a longer time allocation. Due to the gravity of the incidents of the past few days, it is my considered opinion that a 20-minute time limit may not be adequate to allow the Premier to give a comprehensive report to the House, and that sufficient time should be given to the Premier to enable him to ventilate the matter properly.

In light of this, and in light of the provision of Rule 104(2) which empowers the Speaker to consent that the Premier may exceed 20 minutes in making his executive statement, I hereby wish to advise that I have given consent that the Premier may exceed the 20-minute time allocation to make his executive statement, should this be necessary.

I trust that the above is in order.

3.2 RULING ON VIRTUAL SITTING AND VOTING

Honourable Members are reminded that this Virtual Sitting will be conducted in terms of the Rules for Virtual Meetings, read with our existing Standing Rules.

In terms of Rule 6 of the Rules for Virtual Meetings, the quorum requirement for Virtual Sittings of the House is as provided for in the Constitution of the Republic of South Africa and the Standing Rules of the Legislature. Standing Rule 44 of the Standing Rules provides that –

“at least one third of all the members of the Legislature must be present to constitute a plenary meeting of the Legislature.”

Rule 44(2) further states that a majority of the Members of the Legislature must be present before a vote may be taken on a Bill.

The Rules for virtual meetings also define “present” as follows:

“present” means the attendance of a Member in a virtual meeting by electronic means in a manner that allows the Member to join and participate in the meeting.

3.3 APOLOGIES

3.3.1 Honourable Ms N Simelane, MEC for Health - to leave early, she has a government engagement;

3.3.2 Honourable Mr L G Seja has an organisational engagement;

3.3.3 Honourable Mr E M Phakathi he has a family bereavement;

3.3.4 Honourable V R Mlotshwa has a community meeting called urgently to attend the issue of ongoing public violence. Probably if possible, he might join the 12h15 session or sitting.

3.4 BIRTHDAYS

I want to take this opportunity to wish a belated happy birthday to the following Members:

- Honourable SM Sonjica : 15 June;
- Honourable NN Sibhidla : 16 June;
- Honourable AG Mapena : 16 June;

- Honourable N Dube-Ncube : 01 July;
- Honourable SE Hlomuka : 02 July; and
- Honourable PATN Buthelezi : 10 July.

I hope you had a pleasant day. May your dearest wishes be fulfilled, now and in future.

4. ANNOUNCEMENTS OR REPORTS BY THE PREMIER (Item 4 on the Order Paper)

Opportunity for Premier to make Announcements

5. TABLINGS (Item 5 on the Order Paper)

5.1 KwaZulu-Natal Legislature:

5.1.1 Budget Performance In-Year Monitoring Report [IYM] for the month of May 2021; and

5.1.2 Budget Performance In-Year Monitoring Report [IYM] for the month of June 2021.

5.2 Ad hoc Committee on Investigations:

5.2.1 Third Quarterly Report of the Ad hoc Committee on Investigations.

5.3 Department of Co-operative Governance and Traditional Affairs:

5.3.1 Ugu District Municipality Oversight Report for the 2019/2020 financial year;

5.3.2 Zululand District Municipality Oversight Report for 2019/2020;

5.3.3 Zululand District Municipality 2019/20 Annual Report for the period ending 30 June 2020;

5.3.4 Zululand District Municipality Assessment Report for 2019/2020;

5.3.5 eNdumeni Local Municipality Service Delivery and Budget Implementations Plan for 2021/2022;

5.3.6 Phongola Local Municipality Annual Report for 2019/2020; and

5.3.7 Ndwendwe Local Municipality Annual Report for 2019/2020.

5.4 Ad hoc Committee on Land Restitution Complaints and other Related Matters: Report for Amajuba and Zululand District.

6. Formal Motions or Notices by the Chief Whip (Item 6 on Order Paper)

7. Orders of the Day (Item 7 on the Order Paper)

7.1 Debate on the Report by the MEC for Health on the Status of the TB Epidemic in the Province of KwaZulu-Natal for each District Municipality, including eThekweni Metro;

7.2 Debate on the Report by the MEC for Economic Development and Tourism on Progress with regard to the Provincial Economic Recovery and Transformation Plan, including an Industrial Plan to support Localisation while investing in the Economy for Inclusive Growth; and

7.3 Executive Statement by the Premier on the developing situation within the Province of KwaZulu-Natal amid ongoing violent protests.

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