

Media and Public Statement by the Leader of Government Business and MEC for Economic Development, Tourism and Environmental Affairs Siboniso Duma

20 September 2023

Pietermaritzburg: The people of KwaZulu-Natal have every reason to be optimistic about a brighter future.

This evening, I am scheduled to meet with ISILO, King Misuzulu to discuss socio-economic development programmes and the consolidation of peace and unity of the people of this province.

We acknowledge the role of each and every one of you, all faith-based organisations, captains of industry, other political parties, leaders of society and traditional leaders in the maintenance of peace, unity and stability.

Flowing from above, we pay tribute to Acting Traditional Leader (Ibamba Bukhosi) Inkosi Mpiyakhe Buthelezi of Buthelezi Clan for affirming King Misuzulu as the rightful heir to the throne.

This announcement made during the visit by the King to KwaPhindangene Royal Residence will serve as a glue that will bind the Zulu Nation together for many years to come.

For our part, we offer to obey the guidance of Ndlulamithi ebona ekusithekeni that as elected public servants we must serve the people of this province with humility.

We hear and accept the message from Indlulamithi that as servants of the people narrow political interests must be relegated to the bottom of the agenda.

Accordingly, we commit ourselves to represent your people fairly and truthfully.

Moving forward, impeccable integrity and the acceleration of service delivery will be the defining features of our work.

Finally, we are convinced that the surest way of creating jobs, growing the economy and ending poverty is to ensure that we all pull together behind a common vision.

No one must be left behind.

Let peace, unity and economic prosperity reign in KwaZulu-Natal.

Ends

Issued by the Leader of Government Business | MEC for Economic Development, Tourism & Environmental Affairs Siboniso Duma

Enquiries

Ndabezinhle Sibiya | 0823754742 | Spokesperson | For the Leader of Government Business | MEC for Economic Development, Tourism & Environmental Affairs Siboniso Duma

Mkhethi Sibisi | 0764686139 |

Director | Communications | Department of Economic Development, Tourism & Environmental
Affairs