



## FETAKGOMO TUBATSE LOCAL MUNICIPALITY

### **Mayor`s acceptance speech during Special Council meeting held on the 08<sup>th</sup> August 2019, Apel Municipal Chamber**

Madame Speaker

Chief whip

Members of the Executive Committee

Councillors

Magoshi a rena

Acting Municipal Manager

Senior Managers

Media

Ladies and gentlemen

Allow me to take this opportunity to pass my sincere greetings to everyone gathered here. It is an emotional moment for me to address you under the conditions that prevailed here today. I would like to thank the African National Congress for deploying me to this Council and on the same breath thank all Councillors for accepting me and also electing me to lead this Municipality.

The Municipality went through various challenges since its inauguration in 2016 and it should be our collective responsible to tackle them in order to bring sanity and development that our communities aspire. We must all play our part in making sure that we emerge from the challenges stronger than before.

I would like to commit myself to work with all political formations in Council and the civil movement in order to bring services to our people. We are all aware that our Municipality has adopted cost containment measures to address the loss of investment made with VBS Mutual bank and we must continue to do so until our financial situation has improved. Our communities are anxious and waiting for us to implement the projects that we have promised them through our IDP and budget.

I want to take this moment to thank the Provincial Administration by dispatching a team of experts who have helped the Municipality in the last 6 months to turn things around. We are hopeful that they will continue to do so until we are back on our feet.

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I am confident that the current team of Senior Managers and Managers led by Acting Municipal Manager Mrs Magooa will continue with the plan left by the Administrator to lead the institution into a right path.

Allow me to thank Cllr Phala TN who was the Mayor for the past five months for her role in making sure that the Municipality functions and continue to provide services during those trying times. Together with the members of the Executive Committee they were able to steer the ship and kept the Municipality stable. You have displayed high level of leadership and discipline which must all applaud and be proud of.

Our immediate task is to interact with our communities and report back on the mandate given to us by them.

I would like to accept the responsibility that is bestowed upon me and commit to work for the communities of Fetakgomo Tubatse Municipality.

I thank you

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