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MEC MOTLHABANE PRAYS FOR NORTH WEST POLICE AND COMMUNITIES

Department of Community Safety and Transport Management MEC, Dr Mokgantshang Mpho Motlhabane is concerned about the killings and incessant attacks of police officers in the province and the country at large. He raised a concern during SAPS National Prayer Day ceremony to plead for crime reduction and an end to police killings. The ceremony was held at the Potchefstroom City Hall on Thursday, 29 September 2016, to end September as a dedicated "the Safety Month".

In his address, the MEC strongly condemned the police killings and attacks. "No one can feel safe while we are still experiencing high number of criminal activities within our communities and attacks on police officers who are expected to protect and make our communities safe. We condemn the police killings with the strongest possible terms and we are committed to support the hard working police men and women who put their lives on the line every day to protect us. Together, as a 'united front against crime and callous attacks on the police', we can help ensure that our officers stay safe," said Motlhabane.

Motlhabane further thanked the SAPS members for their commitment and hard work. "Men and women in blue I would like to tell you today that you are our heroes and heroines because of your pledge to keep South Africa safe, we are proud of you and we salute you for working hard towards achieving a crime free country," said MEC Motlhabane.

The Provincial Commissioner, Lt Gen. Motswenyane concluded by saying that, the community does not have to worry as safety is one of their (SAPS) mandate and priorities. "The vision of the provincial SAPS members is to make sure that Bokone Bophirima communities not feel safe but are safety guaranteed", said Lt Gen Motswenyane.

MEC Motlhabane together with Lieutenant General Baile Motswenyane and members of the North West police came together to ensure that the strategic objective of the current government which is to ensure that; "All People in South Africa are and feel safe" continues to be enforced.

The National Prayer Day is held annually after the National Commemoration day where fallen heroes of South African Police Service are remembered. National Prayer day focuses on, among other things, police officials, police safety, prayer for the reduction of crime in general, end to domestic violence, suicide and gender-based violence.

Pastors from different denominations and from the SAPS were also there to pray for Government, Police officers and management. The Prayer Day was also dedicated to praying for moral regeneration in South Africa.

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"Together We Move Bokone Bophirima Province Forward"

