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## Proud of Deputy Minister

Given Mogweemang, journalist and local businessman - The industry must be relieved by President Ramaphosa's appointment of Deputy Minister Boitumelo Moloi.

I consider her an Iron Lady. I have observed her tenure as the District Mayor, she got things done, her approval rate was beyond 80 percent both within civil and political platforms. The district was efficiently operated, all three municipalities received adequate support and systems were kept running and most importantly youth were

benefactor of employment and projects to empower themselves.

I lived in Jo'burg and Cape Town during her tenure, but I kept taps on her, because I saw a leader, the kind of political leader who takes responsibility. She handled critical cases with care, she is assertive and most important she got things done.

Deputy Minister Boitumelo Moloi arrived at the Presidential Guest House with her two most trusted associates, they drove together to Pretoria, but the Deputy Minister immediately lost her independence after she was sworn in. She was immediately assigned VVIP security details, I was sitting two rows behind her, and was sole supporter and community member from Klerksdorp and District in support apart from her two associates. I am so proud and supportive

of her tenure, and I will always support her and I call on all communities within our district to support her and give her advice, she has an open ear.

My advice to her as the Deputy Minister of Labour and Employment is to create programmes for youth employment, work closely with Public Works Minister Patricia De Lille to strengthen

Extended Public Work Programme, to start street cleaning programmes, where streets committees or neighbourhood association appoint candidate(s) to be registered, trained to clean our streets, and get our country clean, each street cleaner should get R400 fortnight, this will help get food and electricity to poor families, this should not be seen as employment, rather Thuma Mina programme, without affiliation to any political party. I started Matlosana Central Business Improvement District programme but it was politicised and volunteers told me there was no such thing as volunteers, It was ultimately hijacked by some politician. However McBID (Matlosana Central Business Improvement District) still exists thanks to sole supporter Minolta North West Jaco Mienie.

The Street Cleaning programme can be "employment" in sense that is implemented with Thuma Mina spirit, and focus should be on desperate, obedient and disciplined members of our communities, and I will be engaging further with the newly appointed Deputy Minister who is currently attending ANC Lekgotla in Pretoria.



Given Mogweemang with the Deputy Minister.