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■ Marchers mount an anti-abuse poster outside Parliament.

## March against violence

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bout 150 parents who have lost loved ones to gender-Labased or gang-related violence marched from the Good Hope Centre to Parliament last week to give a message to President

Cyril Ramaphosa.

first anniversary of #thetotalshutdown movement, which saw activists across the country march to demand an end to gender-based violence.

At the march on Thursday,

The march was held on the Women Unite said the government hands in a fight against genderneeds to listen to those who work at grassroots level.

"More people, especially women and children, are suffering as a result of apartheid. There is no unity, I believe, but organisations

August 1, Manda Matthaei of have been working towards joining based violence and femicide," she said.

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