

THABAZIMBI MUNICIPALITY

OFFICIAL OPENING OF PICK 'N PAY

The Programme Director, the Pick 'n Pay Management, Representatives from the Business and Labour Community, Councillors and Honorable guests here today, it is a great honour for me to welcome you to this important event in the calendar of Thabazimbi.

The opening of Pick 'n Pay in Thabazimbi today is a clear demonstration of the confidence that Pick 'n Pay has in us as a Municipality and Town. It is not simply an opening of a retail store, it is a huge investment in our town by one of the biggest retail stores in South Africa.

This event marks a very important development in our broader vision to make Thabazimbi the ultimate investment destination.

This investment has brought about job opportunities for our local people. In these difficult times of the experiences of job losses and unemployment, the opening of Pick 'n Pay could not have come at a better time. The prayers and wishes of our people and those of us who have been without jobs have been answered. Pick 'n Pay has given us the biggest early Christmas present ever.

We embrace this present with both hands. As a Municipality we are proud to witness and be part of Pick 'n Pay today. We celebrate this day with pride and honour. We have no doubt that the thousands of our people who cannot be here today share our sentiments.

We pledge our support to Pick 'n Pay and commit ourselves to continue to provide our people, our households, business and other institutions within our jurisdiction with better and quality services.

I have no doubt that Pick 'n Pay will not regret investing here. Thabazimbi is the place to be. It is the Ultimate Investment Destination.

Thank You.