



# THABAZIMBI LOCAL MUNICIPALITY

MESSAGE OF SUPPORT BY HON. MAYOR OF TLM, CLLR  
TOKKIE SWANEPOEL DURING MANDELA DAY EVENT

DATE: 18 JULY 2022

VENUE: NORTHAM TAXI RANK

TIME: 09:00

Programme Director,  
Fellow Councillors,  
All Stakeholders present here,  
Our officials  
Members of the Community,  
All Protocol observed!!!

Good morning!! Goeiemore!! Dumelang!!

Programme Director,

Today, the world honours a giant of our time; a leader of unparalleled courage and towering achievement; and a man of quiet dignity and deep humanity.

Nelson Mandela was a healer of communities and a mentor to generations. He remains a moral compass and reference to us all.

Madiba walked the path to freedom and dignity with steely determination-and with compassion and love.

He showed that each and every one of us has the ability – and responsibility – to build a better future for all.

Our world today is marred by war; overwhelmed by emergencies; blighted by racism, discrimination, poverty, and inequalities; and threatened by climate disaster and pandemics.

Let us find hope in Nelson Mandela's example and inspiration in his vision.

Today and every day, let us honour Nelson Mandela's legacy by taking action. By speaking out against hate and standing up for human rights.

By embracing our common humanity-rich in diversity, equal in dignity, united in solidarity.

We are all aware that our Mandela Day theme for 2022 is "Do what you can, with what you have, where you are"

We are here today to try and clean our area of Northam as part of doing what we can, with what we have, and where we are.

This gives everyone the opportunity to heed the call to action for people to recognise their individual power to make an imprint and change the world around them.

Program Director, let me not waste more of your time, and conclude my speech by saying that on behalf of the people of Thabazimbi Local Municipality, our Council, Staff and all Stakeholders, we wishes our former President, Dr Nelson Mandela a Happy birthday, and that May his precious soul continue to rest in peace.

I thank you!!!!!!