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To
Prof Mamokgethi Phakeng
Vice-Chancellor
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Dear Prof Phakeng

Re Prof Bongani Mayosi

The National Science and Technology Forum (NSTF) is deeply saddened by the sudden loss of our country’s foremost cardiologist and Dean of Health Sciences at the University of Cape Town, Prof Bongani Mayosi.

Prof Mayosi was honoured with an NSTF Award in 2012 for his Outstanding Contribution to Science, Engineering and Technology through Management and Related Activities.

At the recent NSTF-South32 Awards Gala Dinner, on 28 June 2018, which was the 20th Anniversary of the Awards, all past winners were honoured by a complete list of their names in the Who’s Who booklet, and the screening of a video displaying a collage of past winners’ photographs. Prof Mayosi was of course included in these. I am pleased that we at least had the opportunity to give him recognition in this small way, and that we had made an Award to him, although I am sure that he would have received further Awards for the groundbreaking research that he has done in recent years.

He will be sorely missed as an expert and member of the broader science community, and will be remembered with fondness.

Our sincere condolences to his family and colleagues.

Kind regards

Jansie Niehaus
Executive Director