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Dear Prof Phakeng


RE: Message of condolences on the passing away of Professor Bongani Mayosi

It is with great sadness that we have learnt of the passing of Professor Bongani Mayosi, who was the Dean of the Faculty of Health Sciences at the University of Cape Town. Professor Mayosi was one of our outstanding Black academics in the field of medical research. He did not just contribute to the medical fraternity in South Africa, but was our country's great export who contributed internationally to contemporary breakthroughs in the rare critical specialisation in the field of cardiology. The country and the University have been robbed of leadership and an A-Rated National Research Foundation (NRF) researcher who still had a lot to contribute to the global community. His untimely death has left us poorer in government as he also had contributed immensely to policy development in the health sector.

His contribution in academia and government was recognised by the highest Office in the country when the President of the Republic honoured him with the Order of Mapungubwe in 2009.

The Portfolio Committee on Higher Education and Training sends heartfelt condolences to the University of Cape Town community and colleagues of Prof Mayosi. May you find strength and be assured of our best wishes and support.

Kind regards,

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Hon C September, MP

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