## **MEDIA ADVISORY**

TO: ALL MEDIA DATE: 06 MAY 2024

SUBJECT: MEC "KK" NKOSI TO AFFIRM SECURITY OF TENURE TO 91

**RESIDENTS IN KWAMASHU C IN ETHEKWINI METRO ON** 

07 MAY 2024

**KWAMASHU** – Tuesday, the 7<sup>th</sup> of May 2024 will mark 91 more residents being added to the growing list of KZN citizens celebrating homeownership.

The KZN Department of Human Settlements' "Title Deeds Tuesday" Campaign will bring MEC Sipho "KK" Nkosi and his officials to KwaMashu C in eThekwini Municipality this time.

Every effort is being made by the KwaZulu-Natal Department of Human Settlements, together with local municipalities, to eradicate the pre and post-1994 backlog of 123 000 provincial title deeds.

The "Title Deeds Tuesday" campaign has already seen security of tenure being affirmed to 8 438 residents in 13 local municipalities and 10 Districts. The ongoing Campaign, launched on the 3<sup>rd</sup> of October 2023, followed the handing over of 1 960 title deeds, between June and September 2023, to residents of Quarry Heights; Cornubia and greater eThekwini Municipality; and iLembe District Municipality. Thus, the total number of title deeds handed over since June 2023, including the "Title Deeds Tuesday" campaign is a staggering 10 195.

In 2024 alone thus far, the rigorous implementation of the campaign has resulted in 2 033 people receiving title deeds, with yet another 91 to be added in KwaMashu on 07 May 2024.

Since the dawn of democracy thirty years ago, an accelerated Title Deeds Restoration Programme (TRP) has provided proof of ownership to over 187 000 people and is speeding up the opening of the formal property market in townships.

The "Title Deeds Tuesday" campaign is also aimed at mobilising beneficiaries of government-subsidised houses to collect their title deeds at municipality offices. The challenge here is that there are some Municipalities who are withholding title deeds that are ready to be issued. People have been waiting much too long for proof of ownership and the Department will take every step to ensure that they do not wait any longer.

Members of the media are invited to the title deeds handing over ceremony in KwaMashu C on 07 May 2024. Details are as follows:

Time: 10h00

Venue: TBC

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