

**ADDRESS BY THE HONOURABLE MAYOR CLLR MAHOSI
GRACE DURING THE MANDELA DAY CELEBRATION
BUILDING –UP EVENT.**

VENUE: Thohoyandou Arts & Culture Centre

Date: 15 July 2011

TIME: 09H00

Programme Director

Fellow country men and councilors, the Municipal Manager and his staff. We are all aware that the 18th of July is an international Mandela day adopted by the United Nations as a global movement to take his life's legacy to the next century and change our world to a better one.

Programme Director

We are all aware that yesterday during our visit to Malamulele Hospital we took a step to inspire the

sick and those who are vulnerable by our act of kindness. The symbolic action of feeding those who need our care desperately must act as an example for communities to take action and change the world we live for us and the next generation.

Programme Director

Today we are here, to again inspire our communities to take action and protect our environment that we live in, so that the legacy of Nelson Mandela can be carried –out by future generations. Our act of kindness must not be for these few days towards the 18th July only, but we should continue to make everyday a Mandela day.

Programme Director

Honorable Councilors and fellow citizens of Thulamela, I urge you to protect those who are vulnerable, our children, our elders, the sick and

those who are physically challenged, so that every citizen of Thulamela can enjoy the fruit of our labour in a secure and comfortable environment

Programme Director

We are inspired by the theme “Take Action, Inspire change, Make everyday a Mandela day” and to that end makes this day a less talking shop and we are ready to show our inspiration by our action.

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I invite everybody to join me when I take action and make this day and any other day a Mandela day. I therefore urge you to celebrate his birthday on Monday 18 July by buying a few blankets or grab the ones you know longer need from home and give them to someone in need. Clean out your wardrobe & donate the clothes you no longer wear to someone who need them. Put together food

parcel for a needy family. To the poorest of the poor, shoes can be a luxury. Don't hoard them if you don't wear them, pass them on.

With these few words I say THANK YOU.