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REMARKS BY HIS WORSHIP THE MAYOR, COUNCILLOR GOODWILL DLAMINI, DURING THE CITY OF MANZINI'S 2024 CHRISTMAS CAROLS


Date: 14th December 2024: **Venue:** Louw Street **Time:** 6:00pm

- **PROGRAMME DIRECTOR**
- **DEPUTY MAYOR & HONOURABLE COUNCILLORS**
- **OUR PARTNERS AND SPONSORS - STANDARD BANK AND BHUNU MALL**
- **GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS PRESENT, REPRESENTATIVES OF CHURCHES AND VARIOUS INSTITUTIONS**
- **THE FORMAL AND INFORMAL BUSINESS COMMUNITY**
- **MANZINI CITY RESIDENTS PRESENT**
- **MEMBERS OF THE MEDIA**
- **LADIES AND GENTLEMEN**

GREETINGS TO YOU ALL.


- IT IS A GREAT PRIVILEGE AND HONOUR TO STAND BEFORE YOU THIS EVENING AT THE 2024 CITY OF MANZINI CHRISTMAS CAROLS AND CANDLE LIGHTING EVENT.
- THIS ANNUAL CELEBRATION HOLDS GREAT SIGNIFICANCE AS A COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT ACTIVITY, BRINGING CITIZENS OF OUR CITY TOGETHER IN THE SPIRIT OF JOY AND UNITY TO CELEBRATE THE FESTIVE SEASON.

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- IT IS AN OCCASION THAT NOT ONLY ALLOWS US TO CELEBRATE THE SEASON BUT ALSO SUPPORTS OUR LOCAL BUSINESSES AND PROMOTES TOURISM WITHIN OUR BEAUTIFUL CITY.
- I AM PARTICULARLY PLEASED TO HIGHLIGHT THAT THIS YEAR'S CELEBRATION INCLUDES A VIBRANT NIGHT FLEA MARKET ALONGSIDE THE TRADITIONAL SINGING OF CHRISTMAS CAROLS. THIS COMBINATION REFLECTS OUR ONGOING COMMITMENT TO MAKING THIS EVENT MORE INCLUSIVE AND EXCITING FOR ALL WHO ATTEND.
- PROGRAMME DIRECTOR; IT IS NO ACCIDENT THAT WE GATHER HERE THIS EVENING. AS A DYNAMIC MUNICIPALITY, WE STRIVE TO OFFER QUALITY SERVICES AND CREATE ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITIES FOR ALL OUR STAKEHOLDERS. OUR GOAL IS TO PROVIDE AN ENABLING ENVIRONMENT WHERE BUSINESSES CAN THRIVE; INCLUDING OFFERING EXTENDED HOURS FOR LOCAL ENTERPRISES. TONIGHT PRESENTS AN OPPORTUNITY FOR BUSINESSES TO UNLOCK THEIR FULL POTENTIAL, CONTRIBUTING TO THE GROWTH AND PROSPERITY OF THE CITY AND ITS PEOPLE.
- IN THIS REGARD, I WOULD LIKE TO EXTEND MY COMMENDATION TO THE SHOPS AND BUSINESSES THAT ARE OPEN THIS EVENING. YOUR PARTICIPATION IN THIS EVENT AND YOUR WILLINGNESS TO

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REMAIN OPEN BEYOND REGULAR HOURS IS A STEP IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION. I ENCOURAGE YOU TO CONTINUE THIS SPIRIT OF SERVICE THROUGHOUT THE FESTIVE SEASON AND BEYOND; AS IT HAS THE POTENTIAL TO CONTRIBUTE SIGNIFICANTLY TO THE LOCAL ECONOMY.

- PROGRAMME DIRECTOR; ANOTHER IMPORTANT REASON WE ARE GATHERED HERE TONIGHT IS TO EMBRACE THE MAGICAL SPIRIT OF CHRISTMAS; A TIME FOR BRINGING JOY, PEACE AND LOVE TO ALL. LET US REMEMBER THAT THE TRUE ESSENCE OF CHRISTMAS LIES IN THE ACT OF GIVING AND IN SHARING THE LIGHT OF LOVE WITH THOSE WHO NEED IT THE MOST.
- AS WE LOOK AHEAD TO THE NEW YEAR, I WANT TO ASSURE YOU THAT YOUR MUNICIPALITY REMAINS COMMITTED TO ACTING IN THE BEST INTERESTS OF ITS CITIZENS.
- TOGETHER, WE WILL CONTINUE TO STRIVE FOR THE PROGRESS AND DEVELOPMENT OF OUR VIBRANT CITY, ENSURING THAT MANZINI REMAINS A PLACE OF GROWTH, OPPORTUNITY AND UNITY FOR ALL.
- ON BEHALF OF THE MUNICIPALITY, I WOULD LIKE TO WISH EACH AND EVERYONE OF YOU A MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW

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YEAR. MAY THIS FESTIVE SEASON BE THE MOST PEACEFUL AND FULFILLING FOR ALL CITIZENS OF OUR CITY.

I THANK YOU

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