



National Freedom Party KZN

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This has been a long and eventful year for the National Freedom Party. We contested the national general elections for the first time and we now sit in the provincial legislature for the very first time. Our victory in the elections quickly turned to sorrow when in August this year; we lost Comrade Stanley Dladla who was a leading member of our party and one of the most valuable members in our legislature caucus. His untimely death has resulted in some changes in our party structure: in the provincial legislature, we welcomed Comrade Njabulo Mlaba who took up the seat after it became vacant. Njabulo is also the Chairperson of the KZN NPF youth movement and we look forward to his contributions in the legislature. Stanley was also one of the most active members of our party as he also held the position of Provincial Organiser. This position has since been held by Comrade Roy Bhengu who is already doing commendable work and we have no doubt that he will take the NFP to greater heights.

This month, our party President Zanele kaMagwaza-Msibi was admitted to hospital after receiving advice from her doctors and family that she needs to take time to rest. The President has had a demanding schedule since before the elections as she worked tirelessly to grow the party and has never once taken time to rest. I can confirm that she is doing well and I ask that we all respect her and the family by giving her the time and space she needs to recuperate.

Many have used these incidences to speculate about the future of the NFP, with some suggesting that the party is doomed. This could not be further from the truth. The NFP is still one of the fastest growing political parties in the country and every day we grow from strength to strength. Today for example, I'm proud to welcome into our party, members from the ANC, EFF and the IFP. All of these comrades, have found a home in the NFP and have realized that only our party has what it takes to change the lives of the people of KwaZulu Natal and South Africa at large. They will all play an important part in the NFP's campaign team and in future, we will be welcoming more and more people into the party as we continue to grow ahead of the 2016 local government elections.

Thank you.

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