Welcome address to be delivered at the end-of-year function by Acting HOD, Mr CM Mashaba

Date : 09 December 2004 Venue : Lowveld Agricultural College Programme Director MEC Members of Senior Management Distinguished guests Ladies and gentlemen Sanibonani, Goeie dag, Good day!! This day has been set aside for three reasons: Firstly, that we must as a collectively celebrate the achievements of 2004. Secondly, that we must as a unit appreciates the contributions made by our colleagues who for one reason or another had to leave the Department. Lastly, we are joining the country as it celebrate the decade of freedom and democracy. This we must do, and must continue to do for together we have been given a

mammoth task of educating our Nation, young and old.

It therefore becomes imperative that we must at all times close ranks, share achievements and constraints in the spirit of advancing a better life for all our citizens.

A lot has been achieved by our country and our Province.

You will recall that we had peaceful elections, consultative meetings, Education Izindaba and a number of successful activities. It is our view that we will improve our results in all grades this year. This arrangement is therefore geared at celebrating the above.

It must also be mentioned that it was not in all instances a smooth sailing. However, we remained encouraged by the fact that we were always a united force. Let us hope and pray that this status quo remains supreme.

My task is to welcome you and our guests to this function.

Let this function unite us and simultaneously celebrating, let us remain mindful of the Arrive Alive campaign.

You will always remain important to us.

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