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MEDIA STATEMENT

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**LIMPOPO PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT SUCCESSFULLY INTERDICTS THE CORONATION
OF NKWE MOSES MATABOLA**

The MEC for the Department of Cooperative Governance, Human Settlements and Traditional Affairs, Honourable Basikopo Makamu welcomes the 8th August 2025 court judgement, delivered by His Worship, Judge Muller, under Case No: 2025-129125, interdicting the coronation of Nkwe Moses Matabola.

The judgement is a victory for the rule of law and further in tandem with section 7(9) of Traditional and Khoi-San Leadership Act, 2019 as well as our continued stance that anyone who purports or misrepresents himself or herself as a traditional leader is guilty of an offence which is punishable by law.

The said judgement prohibited the inauguration of Nkwe Moses Matabola and any person from colluding to inaugurate Nkwe Moses Matabola in a position of Kingship at Ga Kolopo Village or in any other place within the boundaries of the Republic of South Africa.

Reflecting on the judgement, the MEC said in his remarks, “we said in our earlier statement issued on 30 July 2025 that we will act and that the rule of law will be applied. We have indeed followed the law, and we succeeded in court. As of now, the matter is in the hands of law enforcers to deal with those who may disregard this judgment.”

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