

**SPEECH BY THE EXECUTIVE MAYOR OF STEVE TSHWETE LOCAL  
MUNICIPALITY AT THE CROSSOVER FESTIVAL (THEMBA SINAMELA  
STADIUM) 31 DECEMBER 2012**

THANK YOU PROGRAMME DIRECTOR  
THE EXECUTIVE MAYOR OF NKANGALA DISTRICT MUNICIPALITY  
THE SPEAKER OF COUNCIL: CLLR. R XABA  
THE CHIEF WHIP OF THE MAJORITY PARTY: CLLR. B. NDALA  
ALL MEMBERS OF MAYORAL COMMITTEE PRESENT  
ALL COUNCILOURS  
GREAT MEN OF GOD; REVERANDS, PASTORS AND LEADERS OF  
DIFFERANT DENOMINATIONS AND RELIGIONS.  
THE LEADERSHIP OF THE RULING PARTY THE ANC  
LEADERSHIP OF VARIOUS POLITICAL ORGANISATIONS AND NGO'S  
THE MM: MR. W.D FOCHE  
COUNCIL OFFICIALS  
ARTISTS  
ESTEEMED GUESTS  
ALL MEMBERS OUR PROGRESSIVE COMMUNITY (STLM) AND NKANGALA  
REGION AS WHOLE.

KIND GREATINGS TO ALL OF YOU.

**IT IS A GREAT HONOUR FOR ME TO BE AFFORDED AN OPPORTUNITY TO  
SPEAK TO YOU AT THIS CRUCIAL MOMMENT, CONSIDERING OUR  
ACHIEVEMENTS AND SETBACKS TROUGHOUT THE YEAR 2012.**

**THIS YEAR 2012 HAS BEEN THE HECTIC YEAR, YOU MIGHT HAVE NOTICED  
BY NOW THAT I DO NOT LEAVE PODIUM WITHOUT MENTIONING THE  
FOLLOWING 3 THINGS;**

- 1. ANC CENTENARY**
- 2. OUR ACHIEVEMENTS/ACCOLADES**
- 3. THE IMPOTANCE OF EDUCATION**

**ANC CENTENARY**

I believe we are all aware by now that 2012 marks the centenary (100 YEARS) of the largest and oldest political movement in Africa, The ANC , The tireless and selfless struggle for liberation. What made these celebrations special to us, is the fact that we hosted the Presidential Lecture of the 3<sup>RD</sup> President of the ANC MR. ZACHARIUS MAHABANE AND PRESIDENT JG ZUMA delivered the lecture in our new beautiful banquet hall with more than 3000 people from all across the province in attendance.

## **2. OUR ACHIEVEMENTS/ACCOLADES**

STLM has always excelled in the provision of services to the community that is why we are consistently receiving accolades, programme director allow me to mention just one or two amongst the accolades we have received this year:

- The clean audit award (we are only two in the province with Hlanzeni municipality)
- 3<sup>RD</sup> Greenest town in the country

### **WE HAVE LAUNCHED A CLEANING CAMPAIGN**

- Plastic fantastic
- Garden waste will be fully implemented next year (2013)
- We will also extend dustbins in 2013

We urge the cooperation of our communities in this regard because we will also titern the law enforcement on illegal dumpers. (*cleanliness is close to godliness*)

## **3. THE IMPOTANCE OF EDUCATION**

The 2011 matric results made us proud with two of our learners making it to top ten in the province hence the MEC for education MS. REGINAH MHAULE CHOSE Middelburg to host the announcement of results on the 3<sup>RD</sup> January 2013, I hope the class of 2012 will not disappoint.

*I HOPE YOUR CHRISTMAS WAS A BLESSED ONE AND AS A MUNICIPALITY WE REMAIN DEDICATED AND COMMITED TO OUR VISSION "TO BE THE LEADING COMMUNITY DRIVEN MUNICIPALITY IN THE PROSSION OF SUSTAINABLE SERVICES AND DEVELOPMENTAL PROGRAMMES".*

*I WISH YOU ALL A PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR, PLEASE CONTINUE TO DRIVE SAFE ON OUR ROADS.*

I THANK YOU!  
NGIYATHOKOZA!