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SEDIBENG DISTRICT MUNICIPALITY ELECTS CLLR. MAMOKETE RADEBE NEW SPEAKER OF COUNCIL

Sedibeng District Municipality convened a Special Council Meeting on 2 April 2026 in the Council Chamber at the Mayor's Parlour, where Councillor Mamokete Veronica Radebe was elected as the new Speaker of Council.

The election followed the declaration of a vacancy in the Office of the Speaker by the Independent Electoral Commission (IEC). The candidates nominated for the position were Councillor Mamokete Radebe of the African National Congress (ANC) and Councillor Mbuyiselo Kantso of the Pan Africanist Congress (PAC).

Councillor Radebe was elected with 28 votes, while Councillor Kantso received 21 votes.

Her election restores leadership within Council and ensures continuity in oversight, governance, and the functioning of legislative processes within the municipality.

Prior to her election, Councillor Radebe served as the Member of the Mayoral Committee (MMC) for Environment and Clean Energy.

The meeting was convened in accordance with Section 29(1A) and Section 36(3) of the Local Government: Municipal Structures Act, 117 of 1998, which legislates as follows:

- *The municipal manager of the municipality or if the municipal manager is not available a person designated by the MEC for local government in the province, presides over the election of a speaker.*

The meeting was presided over by Mr Kiba Kekana, who was designated by the Office of the MEC for Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs (COGTA). Ahead of the sitting, Mr Kekana met with Chief Whips of political parties represented in Council to ensure clarity on the facilitation process.

"I'm very happy about the cooperation that I received from the political parties that are part of the council," said Mr Kekana.

The Sedibeng District Municipality acknowledges the cooperation of all political parties in ensuring that the process was conducted in an orderly and lawful manner.

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