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### **MINISTER OF TRANSPORT STATEMENT ON THE DEATH OF THE PORTFOLIO COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORT MEMBER, HONOURABLE SIBUSISO RADEBE**

The Minister of Transport, Dr. Bonginkosi Blade Nzimande, joins the Parliament of South Africa in mourning the passing of the Honourable Sibusiso Radebe, who succumbed to gun injuries that he sustained following an attempted hijacking that took place on the 19th June 2018, in Roodepoort – Johannesburg.

“It is with a heavy heart and profound sense of loss that the transport fraternity and the country at large has lost one of its revolutionary sons, an African patriot.

Through his humility, leadership, and deep sense of understanding of the plight of workers and the poor, he helped our country to achieve so much. Indeed we were expecting much more contributions from a dedicated person like him,” said Minister Nzimande.

The Minister further said that Honourable Radebe will be remembered as one of the young selfless leaders who ensured that South Africa has an effective, affordable, accessible and cost effective public transport available to the majority of South Africans who rely on it daily.

“He will be remembered as a massive force of enlightenment for having served in the Transport Portfolio Committee that ensured that the National Land Transport Amendment Bill, the Aarto Amendment Bill and many other Transport related Bills are passed by Parliament. Indeed, he will be missed as one of the great sons of our land,” remarked Minister Nzimande.

In addition to numerous political roles that he played as a student and a political leader, Honourable Radebe, as well, served in Parliament's Portfolio Committee on Higher Education & Training, and the Portfolio Committee on Energy. He also was one of the tireless campaigners of the establishment of the University of Mpumalanga.

Minister Nzimande mourns his death, passes his deepest condolences to his wife, the ANC, SACP, the entire Mass Democratic Movement family, his friends and the entire nation.

May his soul rest in peace.

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