IN THE HIGH COURT OF SOUTH AFRICA

(NORTH WEST DIVISION, MAHIKENG)

Case no: UM192/22

In the matter between:

SAKELIGA NPC	**First applicant**
CENTRE FOR GOOD GOVERNANCE AND SOCIAL JUSTICE NPC	**Second applicant**
BAREND LOURENS SNYMAN	**Third applicant**
and	
DITSOBOTLA LOCAL MUNICIPALITY	**First respondent**
THE MUNICIPAL MANAGER / ACTING MUNICIPAL MANAGER OF THE DITSOBOTLA LOCAL MUNICIPALITY	**Second respondent**
PREMIER OF THE NORTH WEST PROVINCE	**Third respondent**
AND ELEVEN OTHER RESPONDENTS (AS PER NOTICE OF MOTION)	**Fourth - Fourteenth respondent**

SUPPORTING AFFIDAVIT

I, the undersigned,

JANE MARUMO

hereby state under oath as follows:

1 I am an adult female administrative clerk in the employ of the North West Provincial Government and a resident at 10 5th Avenue, Burgersdorp, Lichtenburg.

2 The facts set out herein are true and correct, and such facts fall within my personal knowledge unless the contrary is indicated by the context.

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3 In the months of February and March 2023, I have had little to no access to municipal water supply in my residence. On some fortunate occasions, some water would flow during night-time. By and large, however, my taps are dry.

4 At the date of deposing to this affidavit, my taps are completely dry.

5 As a result of the virtually zero supply of water to my residential property in February and March, my solar geyser broke down towards the end of February. I am informed that it has overheated owing to a lack of water supply in its piping system.

6 My household consists of 8 people, namely myself, my mother, two daughters, one son and three grandchildren. The lack of water supply described above is extremely disruptive and a cause of great anxiety. I explain this with reference to an average day in our household in respect of the struggle to obtain water:

7 Members of our household walk around in town with a 25-litre can, to various locations where we might be able to find water. In some cases we are able to fill up the can at the Engen garage in town, and in other cases we visit friends in the hope that they can assist with water. Engen has a borehole but they do not always willing to assist with free water.

8 Occasionally, I pay R300.00 to a local business to deliver me a tank of water. This arrangement is financially unsustainable.

9 Because of a limited supply of water, which supply must be obtained through my own effort, my household is restricted in its ability to live a normal life. With about three litres per person per day in our household, we can only use the water sparsely for drinking and cooking, and limited sanitary purposes.

10 My dire living arrangement caused by the collapse of the Ditsobotla Local Municipality and the continued inability of the Ngaka Modiri Molema district municipality to provide

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water, is unsustainable and tiring. Without intervention, I don't foresee that the situation will improve.

DEPONENT

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE DEPONENT HAS ACKNOWLEDGED:

(a) She knows and understands the contents of this affidavit;

(b) She has no objection to taking an oath;

(c) She considers the oath to be binding on her conscience.

THUS signed and sworn to before me at Lichtenburg on this 30 day of March 2023, and that the provisions of the Regulations contained in Government Notice R 1258 of the 21st July, 1972, (as amended) and Government Notice R1648 on the 18th August 1977 (as amended) have been complied with.

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