MAYOR'S TRIBUTE TO THE MUSIC LEGENDARY MANANA MPHEPHU MADYAKUBOMBA MATHEBULA:

The Mayor of Collins Chabane Local Municipality Cllr Moses Maluleke has joined residents of Limpopo and South African at large in paying tribute to the fallen Limpopo hitmaker Manana Mphephu MADYAKUBOMBA Mathebula.

"The giant of South African entertainment industry has fallen. The nation has lost one of the most recognizable faces of South African music industry," said Mayor Moses Maluleke.

"Apart from being a prominent musician who spent most of her youthful days producing music, Manana Madyakubomba was a people's traditional healer. The country has lost a true giant and may her soul rest in peace," added Mayor Maluleke.

Since the beginning of her journey in music in 1977, Manana Madya-ku-bomba who is a mother to Yellow-Bone hitmaker Brian Bomba has always portrayed through music the Vatsonga culture, traditions and passions of our country's heritage.

Amongst her unforgettable masterpieces, which has always triggered the excitement of listeners was the songs such as N'wa-xikukwani and Khefu the song that became popular and was later re-worked by one of the renowned Producer Joe Shirimani.

Mayor Maluleke also highlighted that "The Municipality has recently completed the construction of Information Centre which part of its functions is to store the history of all our local legends and we are happy that Manana Madya-ku-bomba's achievements will be archived in our information centre".

In 2016, The South African Broadcasting Corporation honoured Manana Madya-ku-bomba with an award for Xitsonga Living Legend, she also received an Award for best collaboration with Joe Shirimani and another award with her son Brian Bomba of the popular 'Yellow Bone' hit.

"On behalf of Collins Chabane community, I want to send my condolences to the family, friends and to her fans across the globe."

Manana Madya-ku-Bomba has worked with the likes of General M.D Shirinda, Elias Baloyi, SKW Skhandule, Obed Ngobeni, M.J Hlungwani, Thomas Hasani Chauke, J.K Khazamula and many more.

Her legacy will live on and South Africa and the world will continue to draw inspiration from her accomplished, odds-defying, selfless and inspirational life.

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