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Re: Congratulations and Meeting Request

Dear MEC Lesufi,

We want to congratulate you on your recent appointment as Gauteng MEC for Education. We trust that your long history working in education will serve you and the people of Gauteng well during your tenure.

We would like to request a meeting with you to introduce ourselves, the leadership of Equal Education (EE) Gauteng; learn about the priorities of the Gauteng Department of Education (GDE) for the coming years; and discuss our work in the province. By way of background, we have been active in Gauteng for the past two years. During this time, we have been working to ensure students, parents and other community members are engaged in improving the education system. Last year EE members in Tembisa ran a campaign to improve the sanitation in high schools in the area. MEC Creecy responded positively to the campaign and implemented major improvements, though there remain certain outstanding issues. We would appreciate the chance to discuss these issues as well as your own priorities for your tenure during our meeting.

Our hope is that we will be able to work with you and the GDE on the basis of mutual respect and cooperation. We hope that by meeting now we will be able to build a strong working relationship that will provide students in Gauteng with a better and more equal education system in the future.

Please be in touch with Tshepo Motsepe at the details below to let us know your availability.

Yours faithfully,

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