



**STATEMENT BY HIS WORSHIP THE MAYOR,
CLLR TREVINO FORBES,**

AT THE ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING,

03 August 2022, 18:00

KUISEBMOND COUNCIL CHAMBERS

WALVIS BAY

Honorable Regional Councilors

Fellow Honorable Councillors

Mr. David Uushona, Acting Chief Executive
Officer of the Municipality of Walvis Bay

Members of Management and staff of the
Municipality of Walvis Bay

Members of the Media

Ladies and Gentlemen

Good evening

As we all know, the month of August is a very important year. The Municipal Council of Walvis Bay, would like to wish HE Dr. Hage Geingob, President of the Republic of Namibia, a happy birthday. Thank you for your service to our country. Peace and prosperity are priceless gifts that any leader can give to the citizen of his country. May peace always prevail in the land of the brave.

With this said, I would like to encourage all Local Authority Councilors across the country to press ahead and always give 100% effort in improving the livelihoods of their residents despite a recent speech by Ms. Katrina Hanse, who is a member of the

Swapo Party's Central Committee, at a recent party rally stating that the Minister of Urban and Rural Development, is a Swapo Minister and will not support or promote Local Authorities where the ruling party is not the majority, as in the case of Mariental and am sure Walvis Bay.

Let me remind you fellow Councilors, of the oath we took to put the people's needs first. We should not let the lack of support or bureaucratic decision-making discourage us from service delivery to our people. Change has come, whether they like it or not.

Before I conclude with my remarks this evening, I would like to take this opportunity

to show appreciation to one of our dedicated managers, Mr. Jan Kruger.

Having you on our team is a matter of privilege for us. Every single day, you inspire us with your good work. Thank you for jumping in and helping even when it is outside your scope of work. We are so happy that you fully understand the company's needs and the resident's expectations.

You have always exceeded the expectations we have. As a result of your hard work, our entire team moves forward. Reliability is hard to come by, and I am sure I speak for everyone when I say your work

ethic and involvement are admirable, and we are fortunate to have someone as dedicated as you onboard!

And with this, I would like to call Mr. Jan Kruger to hand over this certificate of appreciation from the Council.