



CLOSING REMARKS

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ON SENATORS RETREAT THEMED SUSTENANCE OF PARLIAMENTARY

INTERVENTION IN THE FACE OF COVID-19

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- **ESTEEMED MEDIA AND SECURITY PERSONEL.**

I GREET YOU ALL

Introduction:

Hon. Senators, this has been such a **Power house** where we refreshed, made informed reflections, and introspections on how best to execute our Legislative, Oversight, Representative and Budgetary Mandate.

We thank the Almighty God who has seen us through all this in the face of COVID-19. Hon.Senators you observed social distancing, sanitisation and compulsory wearing of Masks, which is in compliance with Covid-19 regulations and WHO standards.

As Senators we greatly appreciate the support from our sponsors and strategic partners who are UNAIDS, UNDP, NERCHA, AMICALL in the HIV/AIDS RESPONSE initiative, whilst meddling with the COVID-19 scourge.

As a nation ***Sibumbene indeed kuncoba HIV/AIDS nga 2022, Thus Globally we have attained the '95-95-95'*** global HIV target. This means that 95% of people living with HIV in Eswatini know their status that 95% of people who know their HIV-positive status are accessing treatment and that 95% of people on treatment have suppressed viral load. The '95-95-95' deadline is 2030, meaning Eswatini reached the target an entire decade in advance.

This is a sign that as a nation we are in Solidarity in the fight against the HIV/AIDS scourge. (This has been achieved through your commitment nemaSwati onkhe.

“Timpunga Tengwenyama” we appreciate this wholistic session where as leaders we were empowered by our excellent resource persons, Development Partners, Principal Secretaries, Civil Society on how best to execute our honourable mandate.

Such an event has been picturesque of extensive and diligent planning. A pillar where corporate governance and financial architecture has been unpacked which provides a converging force to sustain our Leadership, professional, legislative and Parental etiquette. (This has been rendered by our Public Speaking stalwart).

Our life coach specialist further embraced a refreshing session on the importance of refined mindset to realign our positivity on how we

perceive structural issues and life in general. Well echoed Hon. Senators, was the need for sustainable communication characterised by reciprocated and effective communication, which indeed is a game changer in our LEADERSHIP circles of culture.

Conclusion

Honourable Senators, this retreat session, is a Gateway for in-depth planning, and embracing such innovation as we execute our legislative mandate.

This is with respect to time, as leaders **Timphunga** let us continue being mindful that we are in position of **Authority, Power, and Recognition**, let us make good use of this time and leave our Legacy.

Ecclesiastes 3 : 1

"There is a time for everything, and a season for every activity under the heavens"

Honourable Senators, this is your Time and your Season to mirror your mandate as Legislators with respect and integrity, and endorse true representation to the Nation and to their Majesties at large .

Ladies and Gentlemen, I thank you for your kind attention and May God Bless us all.



We pray for travelling mercies and Divine Protection .