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**MEDIA STATEMENT**

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**THE FESTIVE SEASON IS NO CARTE BLANCHE**

The festive season is upon us.

But it's by no means a complete freedom for people to act as they wish.

People must keep in mind that the corona virus pandemic remains part of us.

This is the message by the Sekhukhune District Command Council (DCC) following its bi-weekly meeting, as the fight against COVID-19 continues.

Today's meeting happened as people of the world observe World Aids Day. South Africa has the highest number of people living with HIV in the world. The meeting also took place during the 16 Days of Activism for No Violence against Women and Children Campaign.

The DCC urges every South African to play their part to end all these ills.

Acting chairperson of the DCC and member of the mayoral committee Cllr Orginia Mafefe expressed worries at the apparent lack of care showed by many people. "We are all aware that in other parts of the country, in particular the Eastern Cape, there's a second surge of corona virus. We are surely not immune here in Sekhukhune," says Mafefe.

During the festive season, people are urged to be even more alert, we must observe social distancing, wear our masks every time we're in the public and practice all other precautionary measures, Mafefe adds.

“This is a different festive season, and things must be done differently, even as people will be on holiday from their workplaces,” says Mafefe.

Liquor outlets and retail stores owners must enforce compliance during the festive season.

“People must change their behaviour, that’s the only way we will win the fight against corona virus,” Mafefe emphasizes.

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