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FREE STATE DSACR MOURNS MME CONNIE CHIUME

The Member of the Executive Council (MEC) for Sport, Arts, Culture and Recreation in the Free State province, Ms Ntombizanele Sifuba, extends her heartfelt condolences to the family of Mme Connie Chiume and entire creatives sector on the passing-on of this cultural stalwart and legend. This late stalwart and legend in the performing arts industry who hails from Welkom in the Free State sadly passed on at the age of 72 years on the 6th of August 2024.

“We celebrate the prominent role Mme Connie Chiume played in many illustrious productions like Gomora, the Black Panther, Yizo Yizo 2, Zone 14 and Rhythm City. And the fact that she was the recipient of several South African Film and Television Awards (SAFTA’s) as well as the Feather Award nomination in recognition of her role in supporting the LGBTIQ+ community. These are special attributes we should all remember this creative for”, stated MEC Sifuba.

In her illustrious history, it will always be remembered that Mme Connie Chiume was a legend and master in her craft, trailblazer and a pioneer for all women in performing arts. She paved a way for the younger generation of women in the industry and demonstrated dedication, discipline and passion in her craft.

“We offer our condolences to her immediate family, friends, creative sector, fans and followers in the country and beyond. We have lost an icon and legendary actress, may her legacy continue to live on through her contribution in the film, television and performing arts sectors”, concluded MEC Sifuba.

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