## MEDIA STATEMENT

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## PRESIDENT RAMAPHOSA APPOINTS NATIONAL YOUTH DEVELOPMENT AGENCY BOARD MEMBERS

President Cyril Ramaphosa has in terms of Section 9(1)(a) of the National Youth Development Agency (NYDA) Act of 2008 appointed members of the board of the Agency for a period of three years, with effect from 1 August 2025.

An Act of Parliament established the NYDA, primarily to address challenges faced by the nation's youth.

The Agency functions as a single, unitary structure addressing youth development issues at national, provincial and local government level.

President Ramaphosa has appointed the following board members:

- Ms Kelly Sandra Baloyi
- Ms Thembisile Precious Mahuwa
- Mr Bonga Siphesihle Makhanya
- Mr Sibusiso Makhathini
- Dr Wiseman Mfaniseni Mbatha
- Dr Sunshine Minenhle Myende
- Mx Busisiwe Nandipha Nxumalo

President Ramaphosa has also, in terms of Section 9(5)(a) of the NYDA Act, designated Dr Sunshine Minenhle Myende as the chairperson of the of the National Youth Development Agency Board; and Mr Bonga Siphesihle Makhanya as the deputy chairperson of the Board.

The President appreciates the willingness of the Board members to avail themselves for the national task of securing a promising future for the nation through the empowerment of young people.

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