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Dear Ms Mbinqo-Gigaba

RESPONSE TO THE PETITION 102 – 2019 BY RESIDENTS OF DRYHARTS VILLAGE

The above matter refers.

As received from the Office of the Speaker, Hon T Modise, MP, kindly receive the response to Petition 102 of 2019 that was received from the residents of Dryharts Village.

The response was sourced from the North West Education Department as the province with jurisdiction over the closed school, Molehabangwe Middle. The detailed response is attached.

The Province indicated that other than this petition, the concerned district office had received correspondence from the community represented by the Tribal Authority of Ba Ga Phuduhucwana, wherein they resuscitated the initial proposal by the Department to re-open Molehabangwe Middle School as a primary school. The District viewed the proposal in a positive light. The village should look forward to further engagements in 2020, to deal with all the matters relating to the re-opening of the school.

The Department will continue to support the endeavours of the Parliament of South Africa, to be the People's Parliament, by giving due attention to petitions of this nature.

Yours sincerely

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