



**Address by the Sedibeng District Municipality Member of the
Mayoral Committee, Cllr Dorcas Ralitsela on the occasion of the
Cheque Handover on the 30th November 2010, in Sedibeng.**

Programme Director:

MMCs here present;

ABSA Leadership and Officials;

The Leadership of Medunsa Organisation for Disabled Entrepreneurs;

Our Distinguished Guests;

Ladies and Gentlemen

I bring you greetings from Sedibeng District Municipality. I came here with a spring in my step when I realized that indeed our partnership with ABSA continues to bear fruit.

The support which is provided here today is indicative of mature relationship between institutions that have the best interest of the community at heart.

I am saying this because ABSA could have chosen just about any other organization anywhere in the province or the country for that matter, but they chose to invest in Sedibeng. They chose Medunsa Organization for Disabled Entrepreneurs.

Any number of factors may have influenced the decision by ABSA regarding this investment. The geography may have had something to do with it. Who would not want to invest in the beautiful Sedibeng District, what with its pristine dam and river, one of the most sought after real estate in the whole of Gauteng Province?

Programme Director, then again the good work which is being done by the entrepreneurs in Medunsa may have had a lot of influence on the direction of this investment. I can only marvel and thank ABSA on their excellent choice.

There are none more deserving than Medunsa. They have gone out of their way to conquer the disabilities they have to live with, to put their best efforts forward to create much needed jobs for themselves. I hope that we be able to invite more investments like this one to Medunsa.

Programme Director, I am sure you will have realized that I have consistently referred to an investment in my speech and not a donation. Donations, which unlike investments, have a tendency of creating a

dependency and does not replicate itself. This investment by ABSA in Medunsa is geared towards increasing the outputs of members here in Sebokeng and Ratanda. I am looking forward to the time when we as communities will also rely on the outputs by Medunsa in order to ensure their continued production.

On behalf of the Sedibeng District Municipality, Medunsa and the entire communities of Sedibeng, I take this opportunity to thank ABSA for their special investment into a community of entrepreneurs who deserve every little bit of support from all of us.

I Thank You.