



**CLLR LUCKY TSAGAE  
SPEAKER OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF POTCHEFSTROOM  
FUNERAL SERVICE OF THE LATE CLLR LUCAS CHAKA  
SATURDAY – 01 JULY 2006  
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GOVAN MBEKI HALL  
IKAGENG**

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To the wife of the late Councillor Chaka;

His two children;

Bagolo ba ba leng fano;

Chairperson of the ANC Sub-region – Comrade Itumeleng Mosala;

Secretary of the Sub region – Comrade Mpho Badirwang;

The regional Secretary of the ANC – Comrade Thabo Mosiane;

Chairpersons and Secretaries of the branches of the ANC in Potchefstroom;

Leaders of the Church fraternity;

Comrades!

I suspected that this venue will be fully packed today. I suspected that comrades from the branches of the ANC in Potchefstroom will be here, chanting revolutionary songs. I suspected that the spirit of the late Comrade Chaka will prevail in this venue, today!. I suspected that the leadership of the people of Potchefstroom – from the Women’s League, Youth League, SACP and COSATU will be here to bid their farewell to this fallen hero, today!.

Comrades – all my suspicions are correct! These were not just suspicions based on covetousness and lack of respect for this hero lying here – but suspicions of devotion and jealousy of his good work. I am honoured to be here today to represent the City Council of Potchefstroom. But I have to tell you that, we, as the political leadership of this City and the ANC in specific – have lost a soldier and a humble fighter in Comrade Chaka.

The ANC has lost. The branch of the ANC in Ward 16 has lost. The people of this municipality and its City Council will never have another chance of utilizing the skills of this young hero – who because of his efficiency and humble spirit, has been taken away by the ancestors of the ANC. The late Comrades OR Tambo,

Govan Mbeki, Walter Sesulu, Chris Hani and many others who are busy spreading the legacy of this movement beyond the borders of this planet.

The ANC is a VERY big organization. This is an organization that was entrusted with the spear of fighting a fierce battle for majority of the people in this country. It is with a sense of humility and gratitude that we look back upon the past years that we have spent with the late Comrade Chaka. We at the City Council of Potchefstroom and the ANC, sincerely hope that our dedicated efforts have enriched people's lives by serving as real source of peace of mind and dependability.

Comrades – this is a not the right time for weeping, but we should collectively remind ourselves of the good soldier that had fallen. We should celebrate his life and the time that he dedicated to the movement and the improvement of the lives of our people. Mme MmaChaka – o seka wa nagana gore ke lona fela, lesika la Chaka le le latlhegetsweng. Nnyaa, nnete ke gore go latlhegetswe baagi ba Potchefstroom ka bophara – and Ward 16 in specific.

Let us pick the spear of the ANC that Comrade Chaka dropped on his fall – and soldier on. The late Comrade Chaka will smile when he see his dreams been realized. He will deliver the message of Batho Pele and efficient service delivery by this municipality - to our ANC ancestors AND all that we need to do is to carry on with the provision of basic services like electricity, paving and tarring of streets that we see outside our houses today.

Viva the spirit of Comrade Chaka – Long Live!