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DA calls on mayor to

"We consider these failures so severe that we call on the Mayor to resign from his post," said by DA Councillor, Eddie Taylor.

A FINAL attempt by the DA in the Ekurhuleni Metro to call Executive Mayor, Mondli Gungubele, to account was rejected by the ANC controlled Council today (Wednesday April 20) when the Speaker of Council, Patricia Khumalo, refused to entertain a Motion of No Confidence in the Mayor.

Motivating the Motion tabled by the DA in Council, DA Caucus Leader in the Ekurhuleni Metro, Cnr Eddie Taylor, said that the reason for the Motion was the Mayor's failure to show the necessary leadership and direction during the on-going strike in the solid waste removal department of the Municipality, in that:

- His administration had no contingency plan when the strike

started.

- His administration took up to six weeks to provide a basic collection service in most affected areas and during this time severe inconvenience resulted for affected communities, while some areas continue to be inadequately serviced.

- He failed to take decisive action to end the strike as it dragged on by failing to approach the Labour Court on an urgent basis to have the SAMWU strike declared an unprotected strike.

- Without a court ruling of an unprotected strike the SAMWU members have been able to continue their strike action with no consequences for their employment contracts, which

has resulted in an inadequate solid waste removal service being provided to residents of the Metro.

- He misled the MEC of Local Government and Housing in Gauteng Province by informing him that the situation in relation to the strike in Ekurhuleni was under control, and by telling the MEC that the impact of the strike to service delivery was "very minimal" when it was patently not so as judged by the reaction of irate residents, the impact on environmental health to which residents have been subjected and the infestation of vermin in the affected areas.

We consider these failures so severe that we call on the Mayor to resign from his post.



Executive Mayor, Mondli

Apartheid se skuld

IZAK Berg (IRASA) het op 20 April met die afsluiting van die termyn se raadsvergadering 'n sterk aanval op die ANC geloods.

Berg het die ANC aanspreek omdat apartheid 17 jaar later nog die skuld moet kry en dra vir die ANC se tekortkominge en onbevoegdheid. Hy het gesê elke keer wanneer die ANC besef hulle

het swak presteer, of glad nie presteer nie, apartheid voorgelê word as 'n verskoning en dat die deuntjie nou afgesaag raak.

"Die kiesers moet weet dat as hulle op 18 Mei vir die ANC stem, en die ANC dan nie presteer nie, kiesers daarmee moet saamleef vir die volgende vyf jaar. Hulle moenie daarna dan raadseien-

dom beskadig of vernietig wanneer dinge hulle nie pas nie," het Berg gesê. Hy het ook bygevoeg dat die kiesers moet besin om vir 'n opposisie te stem wat die afgelope vyf jaar nie vir hulle opgestaan het nie.

"Dit is nou in die kiesers se hande en die politieke partye het geen verskonings om nie kwaliteit dienste te lewer nie," het hy afgesluit.