MAYOR PHEEDI'S FESTIVE SEASON MESSAGE

As the year draws to a close, we need to acknowledge that 2020 was not an easy year due to the COVID-19 pandemic which is continuing to spread throughout the globe like wild fire wherein a second wave has been declared in our country. The pandemic has disrupted long established ways of doing things forcing everyone to adapt to the new normal.

Many jobs were lost as companies shut doors due to loss of income following the declaration of a state of disaster which ushered in lockdown as a containment measure.

Our deepest condolences to families that have lost their loved ones to the virus.

Difficult as this year has been, let us also look at the positive side of it; we should be thankful for the gift of life. Our gratitude goes to our stakeholders who have walked with us and talked with us into becoming a better municipality; our service providers, business community, customers and community at large who all put their hands to help move Blouberg forward.

I call on all of you to support our law enforcement officers as they strive to maintain law and order. Let us adhere to rules of the road; do not exceed the speed limit, always lookout for pedestrians and please do not drink and drive and take part in helping us promote and encourage good conduct during this time of the year. This is no exception to pedestrians- please respect the rules applied you.

Let us adhere to COVID -19 protocols in order to stop the second wave.

To men; let us break the circle of violence, let us act against Gender Based Violence (GBV).

On behalf of the Blouberg Council, I would like to wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Prosperous 2021.