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BLOUBERG LOCAL MUNICIPALITY TO RECEIVE AN AWARD OF RECOGNITION FOR BEING THE BEST PERFORMING RURAL MUNICIPALITY IN THE COUNTRY

Blouberg Local Municipality Mayor Her Worship Cllr Maria Thamaga will today,(2/10/2024) on behalf of the municipality receive an award of recognition for being the best performing municipality of the sixty-one (61) mostly rural municipalities in the country.

The municipality has been selected to receive a prestigious award of recognition as Good Governance Africa (GGA) award excellence in good governance in local government as part of its 10th Anniversary Celebration to held on October 2, 2024 in

Melrose Arch, Johannesburg.

In March, GGA, through its Government Performance Index (GPI) - 2024 ranking, ranked Blouberg Local Municipality Number 1 for the municipality's outstanding performance Category B4 - Mostly Rural Local Municipalities category.

GGA, a research and advocacy organization, exists in Africa with the aim of advocating for governance performance across the continent. For 2024, all South African municipalities were evaluated according to four categories, namely: Administration and Governance, Leadership and Governance, Planning and Monitoring, as well as Service Delivery. Service delivery was weighted most due to the importance that the constitution and associated legislative frameworks stress on the role that local government has in terms of distributing core services to households.

Themed" A Dacade of Progress, A Future of Promise", this milestone event will bring together leaders across sectors who played significant role in promoting and advancing good governance across Africa.

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