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## MEDIA STATEMENT

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### **SOUTH AFRICAN LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION (SALGA) LOWER ITS BANNER ON THE PASSING OF YASMINE (JESSIE) DUARTE**

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The South African Local Government Association (SALGA) sadly conveys its condolences and lower its banner on the passing of Cde Yasmine (Jessie) Duarte in the early hours of Sunday, 17 July 2022, at the age of 68. Duarte was the Deputy Secretary General of the African National Congress (ANC), an activist who fought in the forefront for the liberation of the African people. Her contribution as an anti-apartheid activist and a gender activist contributed to the attainment of democratic South Africa and her passing is a huge loss for South Africa.

On behalf of the Local Government, SALGA honours her life which she dedicated to the emancipation of the people of South Africa. A fearless and gallant fighter of our time, Duarte was a real servant.

SALGA conveys its deepest and sincere condolences to the Duarte and Dangor family on the loss of their daughter, mother and grandmother.

May her soul rest in peace.

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