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UMZIMVUBU LOCAL MUNICIPALITY

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MEDIA STATEMENT

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UMZIMVUBU LOCAL MUNICIPALITY SUSTAINS THE PREVIOUS AUDIT STATUS AS IT OBTAINS YET ANOTHER CLEAN AUDIT.

Umzimvubu Local Municipality is proud to announce that it has once again achieved an Unqualified Audit Opinion with no material findings (a clean audit) from the Auditor General of South Africa (AGSA) for the Financial Year ended on 30 June 2025 (2024/25 FY), successfully consistent with its prior year. This achievement reflects the Municipality's continued commitment to sound financial management, effective governance, and transparent service delivery.

The clean audit affirms that the Municipality's financial statements are free from material misstatements, internal controls are effective, and that it complies with all legislative requirements related to financial and performance management. Maintaining this status for two consecutive years demonstrates stable leadership, effective financial management processes that contributed to clean audit, disciplined administration and strong oversight structures.

The reason for this achievement is that the municipality upholds governance ethics and ensures that all are in place and operate effectively. There are effective internal controls and systems which result in reliable credible information.

Umzimvubu Local Municipality Mayor, Cllr Zukiswa Ndevu echoed the sentiments that the attainment of a Clean Audit affirms the Municipal's administration unwavering commitment to sound financial management, ethical governance, and strict compliance with legislative requirements. While we welcome this recognition as we ensured strict oversight, we remain fully aware that our ultimate responsibility is to translate good governance into meaningful, reliable service delivery for our residents.

This achievement strengthens our resolve to ensure that every rand is used efficiently and that our financial discipline directly supports improved infrastructure, enhanced public services, and sustainable community development. She further thanked all employees for their dedication in making sure that all Municipal processes are correctly followed. "All we need to do is ensure that we comply with the requirements of the Municipal Finance Management Act and other related pieces of legislation and regulations, as we implement the Municipal Programme of Action," concluded Mayor Ndevu.

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