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MEDIA STATEMENT

REACTION TO THE PASSING OF THE FORMER MINISTER OF FINANCE, MR PRAVIN GORDHAN

The Ministry of Finance, headed by Mr Enoch Godongwana, expresses sadness at the passing of Mr Pravin Gordhan early on Friday morning, September 13, 2024.

On behalf of the Ministry and National Treasury, Minister Godongwana offers condolences and sympathy to the Gordhan family, wishing them comfort and understanding during this difficult period.

Mr Gordhan played a pivotal and outstanding role in the development of democratic South Africa's financial and fiscal architecture during his tenure as the Commissioner of the South African Revenue Service (SARS) between 1999 and 2009, and later as Minister of Finance from 2009 and 2014 and 2015 to 2017.

"Pravin brought commitment, knowledge and care to every role that he served in, in the Government. He deeply appreciated the role that the transformation of the economy and the judicious management of the country's finances could play in the lives of South Africans from all walks of life," said Minister Godongwana.

"He never shirked responsibility or wavered on matters of principle. He understood that it was through building and protecting the institutions given life by the Constitution, such as the National Treasury and the Revenue services, that the goals of equality and shared prosperity could be achieved and sustained."

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