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# **Foreword**

Building on the firm foundations of economic and fiscal policy laid in recent years, South Africa is able to respond positively to the challenges of global slowdown and financial volatility. Despite adverse global conditions, we are able to present a Budget that reinforces growth and deepens the partnership for development that is the hallmark of this Government. The 2002 Budget seeks to address social development, investing in human potential, building infrastructure and improving the lives of our people, as challenges that government shares with communities, workers, business and ordinary people.

As a result of sound economic management, the public finances are healthy and will contribute towards increased social and economic development. This year, we build on the growth-oriented fiscal stance outlined in the 2001 Budget, providing increased resources for public spending, especially on programmes that deliver basic services to the poorest sections of our society.

The South African economy has undergone a significant realignment over the past seven years and is well placed to benefit from a global economic recovery in the year ahead. Strong productivity growth underpins increased competitiveness and widens the frontiers of industrial opportunity.

As we prepare to welcome the nations of the world to a Summit on Sustainable Development later this year, it is appropriate to reflect on how far our young democracy has come in preparing sustainable foundations for growth. And we must face boldly the journey that still lies ahead – to create an economic and social ecology in which respect, dignity and basic human comforts are assured.

The 2002 Budget has been crafted by a dedicated team of South Africans working under increasingly robust political oversight. From all at the National Treasury, a special thanks to the Ministers' Committee on the Budget, the Budget Council and Cabinet for their leadership.

Thanks are also due to the South African Revenue Service, Statistics South Africa, the Financial and Fiscal Commission, the Reserve Bank and so many officials of government departments whose efforts and enthusiasm are the building blocks of the national budget.

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