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## **Deputy Minister Dr Chana Pilane-Majake to Lead Multi-Stakeholder Discussion on Government Employees Housing Scheme (GEHS) and Bridging the Gap for the "Missing Middle" in Affordable Housing Access**

The Deputy Minister for the Public Service and Administration, Dr Chana Pilane-Majake, will be hosting a multi-stakeholder discussion to shed light on how the Government Employees Housing Scheme (GEHS) effectively addresses the critical issue of the "missing middle" in accessing affordable housing.

Since its launch in 2016, the GEHS has played a pivotal role in providing public servants in salary levels 1 to 12 with a pathway to affordable housing. In line with Resolution 7 of 2015 by the Public Service Coordinating Bargaining Council, this initiative serves as a mechanism to facilitate housing access for those who face challenges in securing traditional financial assistance.

Through strategic collaborations with financial institutions, the GEHS leverages housing allowances to empower public servants, enabling them to become first-time homeowners. By fulfilling the constitutional right to housing, the government demonstrates its commitment as a caring employer.

Joining Deputy Minister Dr Pilane-Majake on the panel will be distinguished representatives from the National Housing Regulatory Authority and the National Housing Finance Corporation. Together, they will engage in insightful discussions, sharing strides made in providing safe and affordable housing to citizens over the past three decades of freedom.

The event will be held under the following details:

***Physical attendance***

Date: Tuesday, 30 April 2024

Time: 08h00 – 11:00

Place: The Maslow Menlyn Maine Precinct, Pretoria

***Virtual attendance***

Breakfast Series Registration Link:

[https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_PLQlu81IQrgkHRiYbq1Hmq](https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_PLQlu81IQrgkHRiYbq1Hmq)

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the Breakfast Series.

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