



**MPUMALANGA
ECONOMIC REGULATOR**

*An Entity of the Department of Economic
Development and Tourism*

Dear valued patrons and members of the community,

I'm Lungile Fakude, Miss Mpumalanga 2022, the Ambassador for the Mpumalanga Economic Regulator ("MER").

During this Consumer month, we shine the spotlight on the importance of responsible gambling and responsible consumption of alcohol in our communities.

We also want to ensure that communities are aware of their rights when it comes to participating in gambling activities and consuming alcohol.

First and foremost, we want to emphasize that gambling and alcohol should always be enjoyed in moderation. We encourage punters to gamble and drink responsibly, and to never exceed their personal limits. Gambling should always be viewed as an entertainment option, and not as a way to make money.

Additionally, we want to remind punters that they have the right to set their own limits when it comes to gambling activities. If you feel that you are spending too much time or money on gambling, you have the right to set limits on your activities. You may also contact the MER for assistance with self-exclusion programs to help you take a break from gambling.

When it comes to consuming alcohol, we want to remind patrons that they have the right to refuse service. If you feel that you have had too much to drink, or simply do not wish to consume alcohol, please inform your retailer and your wishes must be respected.

Finally, we encourage our communities to speak up if they see any activity that may be in violation of gambling or liquor licensing laws. We rely on the support of our communities to ensure a safe and enjoyable atmosphere for all citizens.

Please remember to gamble and drink responsibly.

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