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DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION AND TRAINING

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APPOINTMENT OF THE NATIONAL STUDENT FINANCIAL AID SCHEME BOARD

I, Dr. Nobuhle Pamela Nkabane, Minister of Higher Education and Training, hereby publish the names of the newly appointed National Student Financial Aid Scheme (NSFAS) Board, appointed in terms of section 5(1) of the National Student Financial Aid Scheme Act, 1999 (Act No. 56 of 1999), as amended ("the NSFAS Act").

These appointments follow the Call for Nominations published under Government Notice No. 5116 in Government *Gazette* No. 51043 on 13 August 2024, which invited nominations from the public and relevant stakeholders in accordance with section 5(3) of the NSFAS Act.

The appointments are further necessitated by the conclusion of the term of the NSFAS Administrator, who was appointed in terms of section 17A(3)(a) of the NSFAS Act, as published under Notice No. 4722 in Government *Gazette* No. 50482 of 12 April 2024 and subsequently amended under Notice No. 5084 in Government *Gazette* No. 50994 of 1 August 2024, and Government Notice No. 5684 in Government *Gazette* No. 51773 of 17 December 2024.

After due consideration of the nominations received, the following individuals have been appointed to the NSFAS Board, with effect from **01 February 2025**, for a term of four (4) years:

- 1. Dr. Karen Stander Chairperson
- 2. Ms. Ndileka Eumera Portia Loyilane Member
- Mr. Richard Tlou Ramashia Member
- 4. Adv. Lavandran Nanda GoPaul Member
- 5. Ms. Philisiwe Sibiya Member

- 6. **Ms. Clarida Elizabeth Simpson –** Member
- 7. Ms. Prishka Mahesh Member
- 8. Dr. Siyanda Mngadi Member
- 9. Ms. Karabo Mohale Member
- 10. Dr. Johanna Maphutha Member
- 11. Dr. Mugwena Maluleke Member
- 12. Dr. Marcia Socikwa Member

The NSFAS Board will oversee the implementation of the NSFAS in alignment with section 29(1)(b) of the Constitution of the Republic of South Africa, 1996, which guarantees the right to further education. Recognizing that this right is progressive, the Board will ensure that financial aid is allocated in a manner that is equitable, transparent and within the reasonable measures and resources available to the state, thereby making education progressively accessible to qualifying students.

This Notice will take effect retrospectively from 01 February 2025, notwithstanding its publication date.

DR NOBUHLE NKABANE, MP

MINISTER OF HIGHER EDUCATION AND TRAINING

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