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Media statement Alderman Randall Williams Executive Mayor of Tshwane 14 March 2022

## City of Tshwane and Hennops Revival sign a memorandum of understanding to safeguard the environment

I am pleased to report that the City of Tshwane and the non-profit organisation, Hennops Revival, have signed a three-year memorandum of understanding that sets the pace for a concerted effort to clean up and restore the Hennops River and Centurion Lake.

The Hennops River is heavily polluted due to industrial and human waste effluent. Over the years, Hennops Revival has been hosting clean-up campaigns and stimulating local support as a civic response to the deteriorating state of the Hennops River and its banks.

With the formalisation of the partnership, the City and Hennops Revival will establish working streams with financial, legal and indigenous knowledge expertise to give effect to the agreement and to assist in delivering on our revival mandate with ease.

The two parties will work together in identifying sources of pollution, reporting sewage findings, and cultivating and planting vetiver grass rafts and other plant types to stabilise the riverbank.

Additionally, the revival mission will entail cutting grass, removing alien plants, identifying illegal dumping sites, promoting community-based waste removal and clean up initiatives, and removing silt from Centurion Lake.

I am looking forward to the collaboration with Hennops Revival as we jointly address environmental challenges and work towards safeguarding our natural environment.



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