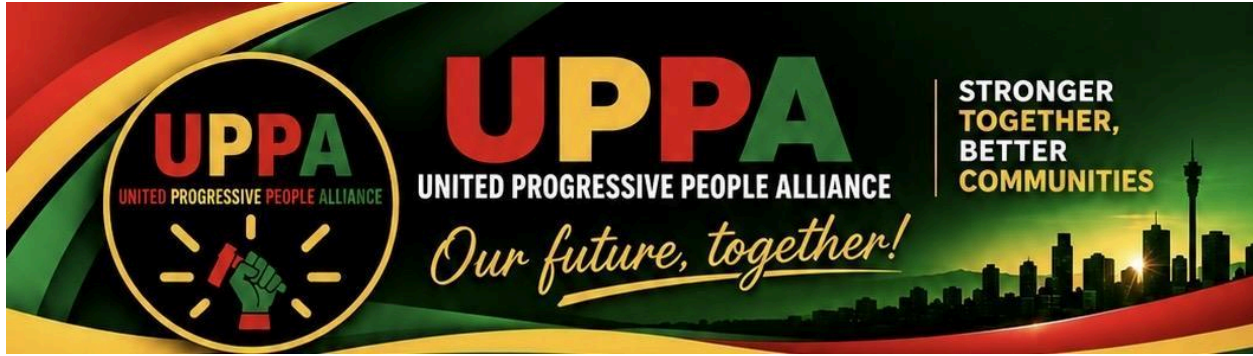




MEDIA STATEMENT

UPPA Mourns the Passing of Legendary Musician Babsi Mlangeni

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The United Progressive People Alliance (UPPA) extends its deepest condolences to the family, friends, colleagues and countless admirers of the legendary musician Babsi Mlangeni, following his passing.

South Africa has lost a remarkable cultural icon whose contribution to music and the arts formed part of the rich tapestry of our nation's history. His talent, distinctive artistry and contribution to South African music will continue to live on through the music he created and the generations he inspired.

At UPPA, we recognise that artists and musicians are not merely entertainers. They are custodians of our people's stories, voices and memories. Through his work, Babsi Mlangeni made an enduring contribution to South African culture and helped preserve and celebrate our musical heritage.

His passing is a profound loss to his family, the music fraternity and the nation as a whole.

We extend our heartfelt condolences to his loved ones during this difficult period. May they find strength and comfort in the knowledge that his life and contribution touched many people and that his legacy will endure.

May the soul of Babsi Mlangeni rest in eternal peace.

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