

Mr Pieter Myburgh Boston Gay Men's Chorus By email: <u>pietersouthafrica@gmail.com</u>

Dear Mr Myburgh

The Gauteng Province 4th Annual Youth Expo

The Gauteng Province is hosting the 4th Youth Jobs, Careers and Entrepreneurship Expo at the Nasrec Expo Centre on 9-17 June 2018. The Youth Expo is part of youth month activities and is a multi-event programme encompassing exhibitions; dialogues and workshops; theatre and cinema; as well as sports activities. It brings together private sector and public sector institutions to interact with young people from across Gauteng. It is anticipated that over 100 organisations will exhibit to provide information and live services to youth on careers, jobs and other areas of interest.

The Expo is also a space for conversation on a range of developmental issues. Young people will also have the space to showcase their products and talents at the Expo. The event hosting a minimum compliment of 5 000 Youth daily. The purpose of the program amongst others is Social Cohesion and transformation, which includes sensitization and advocacy on marginalised groups including the LGBTI community.

The Gauteng Provincial Government is hosting a Youth month career Expo at the Nasrec show ground which commenced on 9th to the 17th June. The Province is pleased to know that there is interest from your international visitors (Boston Gay Men's Chorus) to partake in this youth development programme. Your presence at any stage highlights advocacy on LGBTI Sector, locally and internationally. The plan for the LGBTI sector at the Expo include:

<u>On the 15th June, Dialogues and short parade at Nasrec:</u> The program is expected to have the following activities

- Dialogues on community safety and Stigma 09:00 to 11:30
- Community Safety law enforcement parade to usher 4 National Ministers who are attending the Lecture, 12:00 to 13:00
- June 16 Lecture focusing on the centenary of Nelson Mandela at 15:00. (The Boston Gay Men's Choir could open the event). The Lecture will be attended by the Premier and Members of the Executive Council.
- The last part is a party scene called 'Mlindelo' until 19:30
- Mobilize Attendance to the Soweto Theatre Event.

On the 16th at 07:00 the President of South Africa President Ramaphosa together with the Premier of the Gauteng Province Mr. David Makhura will be walking from

Morris Isaacson to Orlando Stadium, Soweto, for National Youth Day address by the president. The Choir is welcome to join the presidential walk, to highlight and endorse the Advocacy of the LGBTI Sector.

The Gauteng Province is working with the Dr Love Foundation to facilitate integration of the LGBTIQ Sector to the programme. You are free to liaise and conclude needs and arrangements directly with the Dr Love Foundation.

Hope you enjoy your stay in Gauteng.

Kind regards,

CHIEF OF STAFF OFFICE OF THE MEC FOR EDUCATION OUPA BODIBE DATE: _____