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## **EXECUTIVE MAYOR CONDUCTS OVERSIGHT VISIT FOLLOWING ORMONDE BUILDING COLLAPSE**

Earlier today, the Executive Mayor of the City of Johannesburg, Councillor Dada Morero, accompanied by Members of the Mayoral Committee, visited the site of the tragic building collapse at Amethyst Business Park in Ormonde.

This unfortunate incident resulted in the loss of nine lives, while three individuals sustained injuries and are currently receiving medical care in the hospital. During the oversight visit, the Mayor, Mayoral Committee Members, the City Manager, and senior officials received confirmation that all twelve individuals believed to have been inside the building at the time of the collapse have now been accounted for.

The Deputy Minister of Employment and Labour, Jomo Sibiya, joined the City during the visit and conducted an on-site inspection. The City extends its heartfelt wishes for a swift and full recovery to those who remain hospitalised. This has been an extremely traumatic experience for those directly affected and their families. The City of Johannesburg, in partnership with the Deputy Minister of Employment and Labour, remains committed to ensuring that meaningful support, including psychosocial assistance where required, is made available to all affected families.

At this stage, the City has not yet been able to reach all the deceased's families. The victims include both South African and Lesotho nationals. The City is working closely with relevant authorities to ensure that next of kin are identified and formally notified through the appropriate channels.

Investigations into the cause of the collapse are ongoing. The City will continue to work closely with the relevant authorities to ensure full accountability and transparency as the process unfolds.

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**ISSUED BY THE OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE MAYOR**