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## **NELSON MANDELA DAY COMMEMORATIVE COMMITTEE AUSTRALIA INC. A0091585K**

**Media Release:** The NMDCC Inc. Statement on the passing away of Mama Nomzamo Winnie Madikizela Mandela (26 September 1936 – 2 April 2018).

The Nelson Mandela Day Commemorative Committee Inc (NMDCC) mourns the passing away of Mama Nomzamo Winnie Madikizela Mandela. Her name “Nomzamo” in Nguni languages refers to one who strives to achieve her goal and dreams. Her lifelong mission is accomplished, albeit in part. We salute the gallant warrior, distinguished leader, woman, freedom fighter and “Mother of the Nation”. Her love for her oppressed people motivated her fierce commitment, to practically and metaphorically become the midwife of freedom and democracy in South Africa. The universal values she cherished so dearly throughout her life, inform the vision of a cohesive multicultural society that we are all striving for.

Throughout her life, Mama Winnie Madikizela Mandela remained committed to the resolution of the land question in South Africa, she correctly perceived as an integral objective of the struggle for freedom, equality, justice, political stability and prosperity for all, irrespective of one’s race, creed, culture, gender, class, age, national origin and disability.

We note the significance of Mama’s passing on in the centenary year of two stalwarts of the struggle for freedom in South Africa, her former husband, the first President of post-apartheid South Africa, Tata Nelson Mandela and Mama Albertina Sisulu. The three leaders travelled a very long hard road to a free and democratic South Africa, free of apartheid tyranny.

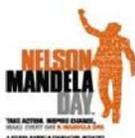
The NMDCC is committed to promoting diligently the values which Mama Winnie dedicated her life to. These are the same values that mirror our vibrant multicultural society in Victoria and Australia. Lala ngo xolo Mama Winnie! MHRIP.

**The 3<sup>RD</sup> NELSON MANDELA LECTURE – Hon. Julia Gillard, former PM, Friday 13 July. 6 for 6:30pm -8 pm, Venue (TBC). A free event by the NMDCC Inc.**

**NMDCC Inc. President Arthur Moleko (Mobile: 0415 121 100).**

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