## Cape Town Central City Improvement District NPC



Cape Town Gay Games XXII 2030 Bid Committee

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On behalf of the Cape Town Central City Improvement District (CCID), it is with pleasure that I confirm our support of the bid for Cape Town to host the Gay Games in 2030.

Cape Town, and its Central Business District (CBD), espouses the vision of the Gay Games, which is Inclusion, Participation and Personal Best. These are values which all South Africans, and especially Capetonians, understand and celebrate. They align perfectly with South Africa's principles of LGBTQIA+ equality and non-discrimination.

As an organization that works hard with our partners, including the City of Cape Town, to ensure that our downtown is a safe, clean, welcoming, business-friendly destination for all – and retains its stature as South Africa's most economically successful CBD that can effectively host world-class sporting, cultural and conferencing events with aplomb – we have no doubt that the city is an ideal destination to host a memorable Gay Games in 2030.

Cape Town is not only blessed with beautiful natural assets, but also has a sophisticated, dynamic economy and advanced infrastructure, making it an ideal destination for international cultural and sporting events. Recently, these have included top-class events including hosting Africa's first Netball World Cup, the Cape Town Cycle Tour, the Investec Cape Town Art Fair and the first Formula E race in sub-Saharan Africa, to name a few.

Every year the city also hosts a spectacular Cape Town Pride Festival, with thousands of spectators supporting and celebrating the LGTBQIA+ community.

With unified support from various stakeholders, Cape Town will undoubtedly present a compelling bid to host this prestigious event, which will serve as a platform to showcase our commitment to embracing diversity and celebrating athleticism on a global stage and cement Cape Town as a Pink Tourism destination of choice.

I look forward to collaborating to deliver an exceptional, world-class event that celebrates diversity and inclusion and wish the 2030 Gay Games XIII bid team every success.

Sincerely

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