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MEC MCHUNU WELCOMES THE TEN YEAR JAIL SENTENCE TO PIETERMARITZBURG DRIVER WHO KILLED PEDESTRIAN

The KwaZulu-Natal MEC for Transport, Community Safety and Liaison, Willies Mchunu has welcomed a ten-year sentence imposed on a local driver who was found guilty of killing a pedestrian.

The Pietermaritzburg court sentenced Muziwandile Phoswa to ten years in prison following an accident that happened in March last year – where a 30-year-old, Sibongiseni Zondi was knocked and killed by a vehicle driven by the accused.

The court found the driver to have been reckless and negligent.

Mchunu said he hoped the sentence would send a loud and clear message to inconsiderate drivers.

“This sentence really talks to what we have been advocating for that we need to have punitive measures against those drivers who are found to have been reckless and caused a loss of life. This court ruling therefore encourages us to continue lobbying for stricter and harsher policies against road users who disregard traffic laws. In our view this will act as a deterrent and a reminder that there is a price to pay for being irresponsible on the road,” said MEC Mchunu.

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