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TO : ALL MEDIA
FROM : PIKITUP
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SUBJECT : PIKITUP CLEARS WASTE REMOVAL BACKLOGS

Dear Editor/Journalist

Pikitup the waste management entity of the City of Johannesburg has managed to significantly reduce waste removal backlogs that residents of the City' experienced in the past two to three weeks.

Pikitup employees will continue to work over weekends and overtime until all the backlogs are cleared including illegal dumping spots.

The backlog that affected residents arose as a result of the expiry of the City of Johannesburg *ad hoc* fleet contract. The *ad hoc* fleet contract provided for additional vehicles to Pikitup to compensate for City owned aged fleet due to high incidence of breakdowns.

The City Manager's Office has been able to put in place a short term *ad hoc* fleet contract that will run until March 2019 while a permanent solution to replace the aged fleet. Hence Pikitup is working overtime shifts including over the weekends to ensure that the waste removal backlogs are all cleared and the service normalised.

On behalf of MMC Nico de Jager, the Board of Pikitup and Management, Mr Lungile Dhlamini, the Managing Director of Pikitup, wishes to thank the affected residence for their patience and to further extend our gratitude and thankfulness to Operations staff at the various Pikitup depots across the City of Johannesburg for their commitment and hard work.

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