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OUR SOCIETY NEEDS TO STOP IDOLISING CRIMINALS AND JOIN US IN THE FIGHT AGAINST CRIME.

LATELY, there have been worrying social media posts that are threatening retaliation and revenge killings against members of the South African Police Service (SAPS) following the death of a criminal known as Chillies from Umlazi who was shot and killed by members of the SAPS at Chartswoth last week. The death of this criminal was a result of a shootout with the SAPS.

As the Department of Community Safety and Liaison we take these threats seriously and we assure the people of KwaZulu-Natal that we will not allow criminals and thugs to roam the streets freely and shoot at police willy nilly without any consequences. This is not the wild west as depicted in Hollywood movies nor is it a Banana republic. Criminals must know that if you break the law, you will face the wrath of our law enforcement agencies.

We want to assure the people of Umlazi that our police officers are closely monitoring the situation and that we have officers waiting on the wings should the need arise to augment the number of visible police officers to ensure that peace and safety is realised and maintained.

As the provincial government we remain committed in providing a safe environment for all the citizens of KZN. Our law enforcement are and will continue to work tirelessly in pursuit of a crime free and safe living environment. We commend members of the SAPS for their steadfast bravery shown while in the line of duty sometimes under hostile life threatening situations.

We want to appeal to the people of KZN especially the youth who are still very impressionable not to idolise the lifestyle of criminals. We want to emphasise the danger and the negative impact that this may pose in the shaping of the child's mentality. We appeal to all the citizens of our province to at all times be responsible role models to the children in their communities. Fighting crime is not the responsibility of government and the police alone. We need our communities to join forces with us to strengthen our United Front Against Crime, through working together, we can win the war against crime.

