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Kerin Ferreira leaves the Department after 20 years of excellent service

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After serving the Department for nearly two decades, Ms. Ferreira Karin, an Assistant Director in Supply Chain Management (SCM) and later moved to Asset Management, is bidding farewell to her colleagues and leaving the Department with a sense of pride and accomplishment. Though her team and colleagues will miss her, Ms. Ferreira sees this moment as an opportunity for new beginnings and a chance to continue serving the public in a different capacity.

Ms. Ferreira joined the Department in 2004, back when it was still known as the Department of Water Affairs and Forestry (DWAF). From the very beginning, she embraced her role as a public servant and dedicated herself to her responsibilities. Describing herself as a hard worker, Ms. Ferreira always ensured that deadlines were met, even if it meant working after hours.

As she reflects on her time at the Department, Ms. Ferreira leaves with a great sense of satisfaction, knowing that she gave her all to serve the government. Her commitment and determination are evident in the success of her career. She says she has faced challenges head-on and approached each task with enthusiasm and a positive attitude.

Sharing her advice with the youth and aspiring government employees, especially those in her field of work, Ms. Ferreira highlighted the importance of studying diligently and being self-driven. She believes that the key to success lies in being proactive and giving one's best effort even without constant supervision. Ms. Ferreira's journey is a testament to the rewards of hard work and dedication.

"It is quite a challenge, but young and future government employees must be enthusiastic about continuing their studies. They should be adamant about learning and giving their best without being monitored because that's the secret to success within the Assert Management area", Karin said.

As she prepares to leave the Department, Ms. Ferreira expresses mixed emotions. While parting ways with her colleagues will undoubtedly be bittersweet, she is also excited for the new chapter that awaits her. She takes this opportunity to extend her gratitude to the Almighty for the gift of life and for allowing her to serve as a team player in the Gauteng regional office until her 65th birthday.

One of Ms. Ferreira's most fulfilling moments in her career was when she encouraged and advised her colleagues to pursue further education. She witnessed firsthand how her support and guidance empowered them to complete various courses of their choice and advance to higher positions within the Department and beyond. It is moments like these that Ms. Ferreira

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cherishes, knowing that she contributed to her colleagues' professional growth and development.

Even though she will no longer be a part of the Department, Ms. Ferreira's love for public service remains unwavering. After her departure in September 2024, Ms. Ferreira intends to join more missionary outreach programs in African countries, where she can lend a helping hand to those in need. Additionally, she aims to extend her contributions to her church community, furthering the work of God wherever she can.

As Ms. Ferreira bids farewell to the Department, her legacy as a committed and dedicated public servant will live on. Her hard work, determination, and dedication to serving the public have undoubtedly made a significant impact. The Department and her colleagues will forever be grateful for her contributions, and she will be remembered as a valuable member of the team.

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