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MEDIA RELEASE

INTERDICT GRANTED AGAINST ILLEGAL INDUSTRIAL ACTION BY JRA WORKERS

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For immediate release

The Labour Court today granted an interim interdict to the **Johannesburg Roads Agency (JRA)** to end the illegal industrial action undertaken by JRA employed SAMWU members who have been staging sit-ins at depots and causing disruptions in the Johannesburg CBD since 19 February 2016.

“We welcome the interdict and call on all employees to return to work with immediate effect and resume their core duties in service to the residents of Johannesburg,” says **Mpho Kau, the Acting Managing Director**, “Furthermore, acts of misconduct, abuse of municipal vehicles and damage to city roads infrastructure and furniture over the past few days cannot be tolerated and investigations are underway with the intention of instituting disciplinary action against individuals concerned as well as the opening of criminal cases with the SAPS for their further investigation against perpetrators.

JRA confirms its commitment to on-going engagement with Labour unions and to resolving the issues amicably. The 7% parity issue will be dealt with by a Political Facilitation team within the City of Johannesburg, and all other issues within the JRA’s jurisdiction, will be resolved between parties at the Entity level.

The JRA expects maintenance and repairs of road related infrastructure to resume tomorrow as workers report for duty. All backlogs, including faulty traffic signals, potholes repairs, clearing of storm water drainage systems, and road resurfacing should be cleared within the next few weeks.

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About the Johannesburg Roads Agency (JRA) The JRA is a City-owned agency responsible for the maintenance, repair and development of Johannesburg’s road network and storm water infrastructure,

Directors:

Chairman: J Manche, Acting Managing Director: M Kau, CFO: G Mbatha

Non-Executive Directors: M Ramasia, J Maina, A Torres, N Msezane, E Ngomane,

L Mashamaite, L Nxumalo, H Mashele, Company Secretary: K Mills

including bridges and culverts, traffic lights and signage. The organisation is committed to providing quality roads that are accessible, safe and liveable for our communities. ***The JRA encourages residents to report road and storm water issues to 0860 562 874/ hotline@jra.org.za / twitter @MyJra so that we may be of service.***

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