

MEDIA STATEMENT

DAVID BROWN MADE HIS MARK ON SOUTH AFRICA'S MINING INDUSTRY AND HIS CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE SECTOR WILL BE SORELY MISSED, SAYS MINERALS COUNCIL SOUTH AFRICA

Johannesburg, 21 June 2022. The unexpected passing of David Brown, an industry stalwart with decades of valuable experience, is a loss for the South African mining industry and the boards on which he served.

As a chartered accountant and a people-centric executive, Brown rose quickly through the ranks at Impala Platinum, which he joined in 1999. He was appointed CEO of the world's then-second-largest platinum producer in 2006 after serving as its CFO. It was during his tenure as head of Implats until 2013 that he carved out his role in the mining industry.

He later headed Coal of Africa, which was renamed MC Mining. He returned to platinum when he joined Northam Platinum's board in 2017 and served as the company's chairman.

His business leadership went beyond mining and he was Vodacom's longest-serving board member, chairing its audit, risk and compliance committee, and since July 2020, the lead independent director. He joined the board in January 2012.

Brown was at heart a people's person. His leadership, wisdom, and experience will be sorely missed.

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