## Dear Voter South Africa 2016

## My fellow South Africans,

The ruling party has betrayed the trust that the people placed in it. From municipal government through to the national level, they have let us down. These local government elections offer you the opportunity to show them you have had enough.

Good governance begins at municipal level. This is where your voice is heard and your service delivery needs are met.

But right now, municipal governance is not functioning as it should. There are things that need to change to get local government working for you. And the way to initiate that change is through the ballot box, on 3 August 2016.

In the coming election, I therefore invite you to support a leadership that has earned your trust. The IFP has been your trusted partner in good governance for the last 41 years. We have proven what can be done when honest, accountable, transparent and trustworthy leaders serve South Africa. We don't believe in buying votes with empty promises.

The IFP has undisputed track record of providing good quality houses; houses that stay standing for generations. We have established schools, colleges and universities to provide quality education, equipping people to provide for themselves, their families and their communities. We have made healthcare accessible by building clinics and hospitals in communities in need.

In sharp contrast, the government of today has proven its inability to lead with integrity.

They have placed our hard won democracy at great risk. Corruption is now firmly entrenched at all levels of governance, from the highest office in the land to local level. Independent institutions are being disempowered, and the Constitution ignored. Parliament has become a sideshow, making headlines for all the wrong reasons.

The resulting lack of service delivery has brought waves of protests, leaving violence and destruction of property in its wake.

The rich are getting richer while the poor keep getting poorer. Poverty is robbing the most vulnerable of jobs, a home, safe transport, healthcare, decent education, clean drinking water and visible policing.

## It is time to stop the rot!

## A voice of reason is needed to secure our democracy. That voice is the IFP. Trust Us...

**TRUST US** to drive good governance in every municipality.

**TRUST US** to make job creation the number one priority of all IFP municipalities.

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**TRUST US** to speed up the provision of decent housing, without red tape, illegal tenders or false promises. Everyone needs a home, not just a few!

**TRUST US** to respect the rule of law and create security in your community so that everyone can be, and feel, safe. Our women and children should feel safe in our streets.

**TRUST US** to select candidates who will work for you. All IFP candidates will sign a contract of good governance, which the party will ensure is adhered to.

**TRUST US** to deliver services to all in the spirit of Ubuntu, not just to the few at the expense of the many.

**TRUST US** to declare the drought an emergency and to provide the necessary relief, prioritising clean drinking water for all.

**TRUST US** to help you get food on the table, and healthcare for your family.

**TRUST US** to speed up the construction of roads and bridges, to provide safe transport and to

change the current policing policy with high-visibility policing instead of entrapment.

**TRUST US** to partner with schools to create a better learning environment for our children.

he IFP has experience in governing well. We know how, and we are willing to do it. We have one vision and one purpose and that is to serve all the people of South Africa.

I therefore invite you to vote for a future you can look forward to, a future your children can look forward to inheriting, and a future that will benefit all South Africans, by voting for a leadership you can trust.

We will ensure that the IFP municipal action plans are in line with this manifesto.

**Vote IFP** on 3 August 2016 for good local services and accountable government.

**Vote IFP** and send a powerful message to the ruling party that the rot stops **NOW**.

**VOTE IFP!** 

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