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Corona Crisis:
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Mayor: Dan Plato

City: Cape Town, South Africa

The Mayor of Cape Town, Mr. Dan Plato has decided to take some preventative measures to tackle COVID-19 and protect his citizens. The city has decided to close all markets (public and privately managed), starting the 26th of March. Before the lockdown starts running in, Mr. Dan Plato has encouraged traders and markets to follow the necessary measures to improve the hygiene conditions.

Secondly, they are committed to work along the National Government to overcome the corona crisis. They will be meeting as well with the Provincial Government, the Disaster Risk Management Teams and all the relevant stakeholders.

The Mayor advises citizens to stay calm during this time. His government is working hard to delivery every basic need. Refuse collection, janitorial, cleansing and maintenance staff will still be working, adapting safety measures such as using appropriate personal protective equipment. On the other hand, citizens are requested to follow a schedule to take out their trash, and to implement proper hand-washing practices.

Lastly, the city has decided to close all beaches to implement social distancing. This decision started on motion on the 24th of March. It is now forbidden to go to the beach to swim, surf, kite-surfing, kayaking, recreational fishing or any other beach or water activity. Libraries, community halls, museums, swimming pools, natural reserves, and civic centers will also be closed.

(<http://www.capetown.gov.za/Media-and-news/City%20advises%20on%20further%20service%20impacts%20and%20mitigation%20measures%20to%20tackle%20COVID-19> or <http://www.capetown.gov.za/Media-and-news/City%20to%20close%20facilities%20to%20contain%20spread%20of%20Covid-19%2c%20encourages%20use%20of%20online%20services%20where%20possible>)

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http://resource.capetown.gov.za/documentcentre/Documents/Speeches%20and%20statements/24_March_2020_Service_Impacts_COVID-19.pdf