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Dear Pharmacy Professional,

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The South African Pharmacy Council (SAPC) is saddened by the passing of lifelong activist and former Minister Mr Pravin Gordhan, who passed away at the age of 75, following a period of illness.

Former Minister Gordhan has been a valued and treasured member of the pharmacy profession since 1973. Last year (2023) marked 50 years since Mr Gordhan graduated from the University of Durban-Westville with a Bachelor of Pharmacy degree which led to him working at the King Edward VIII Hospital in Durban from 1974 to 1981.

As a former Commissioner of the South African Revenue Service (SARS) and Pharmacist by profession, his endeavours and achievements in various sectors of our society endowed him with the insights, empathy and resilience that fuelled his service to the nation. His tireless efforts have left an indelible mark on our field.

We know that over the years, his contributions have extended far beyond the borders of the SAPC and South Africa, influencing and advancing the practice of pharmacy.

SAPC extends its heartfelt condolences to the former Minister Gordhan's extended family, comrades, associates and organisations with whom he established relationships as a family and community member, freedom fighter, public sector executive and Member of the National Executive during this difficult time.

Yours sincerely,

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