



**SPEECH BY THE VICE CHANCELLOR,
PROFESSOR JOHN DDUMBA-SSENTAMU**

**AT THE NELSON MANDELA
COMMEMORATIVE LECTURE**

**THURSDAY, 31ST AUGUST, 2017, 9:30AM
MAIN HALL, MAKERERE UNIVERSITY**

- **The President of the Republic of Uganda, H.E. Gen. Yoweri Kaguta Museveni**
- **The First Lady and Honourable Minister of Education and Sports Mama Janet Museveni**
- **The Head of Mission, South African High Commission and Honourable Delegates from the South African Government**
- **Members of the Diplomatic Corps**
- **Honourable Ministers and Members of Parliament**
- **The Chancellor Makerere University**
- **The Keynote Speaker, Ms. Zoleka Mandela and Distinguished panelists**
- **Members of Makerere University Community**
- **Ladies and gentlemen,**

I respect and recognise each and every one of you in your various capacities

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I warmly welcome you all to Makerere University for this very important ceremony to recognize the life of a great statesman of Africa; Nelson Mandela. I sincerely thank you for honouring our invitation. In a special way, I welcome the President of the Republic of Uganda and Visitor of Makerere University, H.E. Gen. Yoweri Kaguta Museveni. Thank you for sparing time. We indeed appreciate your presence.

I would like to thank you for your continued support and commitment to the development of Makerere University especially with regard to the salary enhancement for the staff during my tenure as Vice Chancellor, which ends today.

In the same spirit, allow me to welcome the First Lady and Honourable Minister of Education and Sports Mama Janet Museveni. You are most welcome to this function.

