



## SOUTH AFRICAN THORACIC SOCIETY

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Dear SATS Member,

**The South African Thoracic Society extends its deepest condolences to Professor Heather Zar and her family on the passing of her husband, Professor Dan Stein.**

Professor Stein was a distinguished scholar and a leading figure in psychiatry whose contributions to mental health research and clinical practice have had a profound impact nationally and internationally.

Professor Zar has been a longstanding and highly respected member of our Society, and we stand with her during this time of immense loss. We recognize the strength and dedication she has shown in advancing child lung health and respiratory medicine, and we hope that the support of colleagues and friends will bring comfort in the days ahead.

Our thoughts are with Professor Zar and her loved ones. May they find solace in cherished memories and in the knowledge that Professor Stein's legacy will continue to inspire generations to come.

Best wishes,

Prof Refiloe Masekela

SATS President