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STATEMENT ON JOINING THE PEOPLE'S DEMOCRATIC PARTY (PDP) - IT IS TIME.

After extensive consultations, it is with humility and great expectations for Lagos State's future that I announce that I have joined the People's Democratic Party (PDP).

This phase of our journey stems from our belief that Lagos needs a strong, credible alternative to the exclusionary and extractive governance model that has dominated since 1999. Despite trillions of Naira spent over a generation, Lagos State still lacks fundamental services: public water supply, reliable and affordable power, quality public education and healthcare, mass housing, robust mass transit, and basic public law and order. The government's actions also have alarming implications for climate risks like flooding.

We believe it is time to present a united front against the current entitled, insensitive, and self-serving leadership that celebrates the unacceptable status quo. Our goal is to deliver effective, inclusive, and accountable governance for the people of Lagos.

With its national presence, institutional structure, and broad recognition, the PDP offers the best platform to challenge the status quo in Lagos State. With the right candidates, we can build a successful movement. This decision was made after extensive consultations and consideration of your views. I am deeply grateful to all who provided comments and advice.

We recognize the challenges ahead, including intra-party differences that must be navigated and managed. We are committed to working with others to bring solutions. Every party faces internal differences and challenges—this is the nature of political parties.

I invite you to join us in creating a new era of inclusive governance and broad-based, people-driven prosperity in Lagos State.

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