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## INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE OF THE GREAT LAKES REGION (ICGLR)

### YOUTH FORUM VIRTUAL TRIBUTE TO THE LATE PRESIDENT H.E JOHN POMBE MAGUFULI OF TANZANIA\*

*Tribute by*

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*As the death of H.E. John Pombe Magufuli was announced across the globe, silent tears dropped loudly as the beating of drums and wailing were heard In Tanzania, across Africa and in the diaspora.*

*As his body was transported to his hometown of Chato, the wailing got louder and the pain excruciating.*

*It has become apparent that Africa has lost one of its finest sons.*

*The most prominent of his attributes were his tenacity, strength, humility and service.*

*Not many leaders have dared to disturb the silence of preserving state resources for the benefit of its citizens ...but he travelled that path.*

*Indeed a big tree has fallen.*

*With the highest respect and honesty, the Youth Bridge Foundation and African Youth and Governance Convergence (AYGC) Community across 44 African States and Diaspora express our heartfelt condolences to his wife, family, the new and first female President and the good people of Tanzania.*

*We want to salute him even from afar.*

***Maisha ambayo yanagusa wengine yanaendelea kujulikana milele***

***(A life that touches others goes on forever)***

*May the vision that has been planted in our brains to preserve Africa's resources and heritage remain forever.*

*We charge the Youth of Tanzania and Africa to pick up such a worthy baton.*

***Rest in Perfect Peace Your Excellency John Pombe Magufuli !***