



## **EFF STATEMENT ON THE PASSING OF EXCEPTIONAL INTELLECTUAL IN AFRICAN LITERATURE, PROFESSOR MICERE GITHAE MUGO**

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The Economic Freedom Fighters (EFF) mourns the loss of an exceptional Kenyan intellectual and champion of African literature, Professor Micere Githae Mugo. Her contributions to African culture and the literary world will forever be remembered and celebrated.

Professor Micere Mugo, born in Baricho, Kenya in 1942, was a distinguished playwright, poet, lecturer, and activist. Throughout her career, she made significant contributions to literature and academia. At the time of her passing, she held a teaching position at Syracuse University in the United States of America.

Her passion for education and knowledge dissemination led her to teach, across her lifetime, at various institutions, including the University of Nairobi and the University of Zimbabwe.

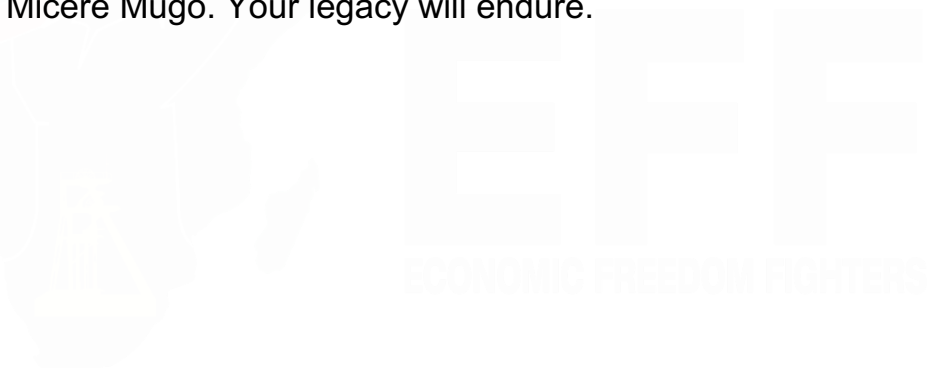
Professor Mugo's most notable works include "The Trial of Dedan Kimathi", written with Ngugi wa Thiong'o; a powerful play that delves into the Mau Mau rebellion and the fight against colonial oppression in Kenya.

Additionally, "The Imperative of Utu/Ubuntu in Africana Scholarship" serves as a profound treatise that highlights how embracing ubuntu in our engagement with knowledge can bring about a much-needed paradigm shift in the academic realm.

The EFF also acknowledges Professor Mugo's unwavering dedication to social justice and her fearless activism in the pursuit of equality and freedom. In 1982, due to her political activism and outspoken opposition to the human rights abuses perpetrated by Daniel Arap Moi's regime, Professor Micere Mugo was compelled to seek exile in Zimbabwe.

We extend our deepest condolences to Professor Micere Mugo's family, friends, colleagues, and all who were touched by her immense contributions. May her spirit continue to inspire us in our collective journey towards justice, liberation, and the realisation of an emancipated Africa.

Lala ngoxolo, Professor Micere Mugo. Your legacy will endure.



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