

WARRANT

By the President of the Republic of South Africa by which the

“Municipal/Metropolitan Police Service Commendation Medal”

is instituted

To all to whom these presents may come:

Greetings!

Whereas it is deemed desirable to recognize services of a commendable nature rendered by members of Municipal/Metropolitan Police Services in the discharge of their functions; or by other persons in support of the Municipal/Metropolitan Police Service.

And whereas it is deemed expedient to honour such members and other persons in a fitting manner;

Now, therefore, by virtue of the powers granted to me to confer honours in accordance with the provisions of *Section 84(2) of the Constitution of the Republic of South Africa, 1996, read together with Sections 44(2) & 64O of the South African Police Service Act, 1995 (Act No. 68 of 1995), Regulation 9 (Annexure 5) of the Regulations for Municipal Police Services as promulgated in Government Gazette No. 20142 dated 11 June 1999 and the Regulations for Municipal (Metropolitan) Police Services regarding Medals and Decorations as promulgated in Government Gazette No. 30523 dated 4 December 2007*, I do hereby institute a new medal in recognition of commendable service rendered by members of Municipal/Metropolitan Police Service or other persons in support of the Municipal/Metropolitan Police Service, and further ordain that the following Rules as may be made under this Warrant, shall govern the award of the medal:

1. PRECEDENCE:

In respect of decorations or medals which may be awarded to members of a Municipal/Metropolitan Police Service, the medal shall take precedence immediately after the Municipal (Metropolitan) Police Service Silver Decoration for Outstanding Service, and also holds the position in the official table of precedence, as determined by the Presidency from time to time.

2. DESCRIPTION:

Obverse: The medal shall be octagonal, charged in the centre on a blue roundel, with sixteen rays issuant, with a full laurel wreath surrounding a five-pointed faceted star.

Reverse: The national coat of arms of the Republic of South Africa.

Size: Octagonal, fitting within a circle with a diameter of 40 mm.

Composition: Cupro-nickel and blue enamel.

Suspension: Pendant from a plain suspender fixed to the upper rim and hanging from a breast ribbon.

3. RIBBON:

The Municipal/Metropolitan Police Service Commendation Medal shall be pendant from a ribbon 32mm wide: 10mm blue, 4mm white, 4mm green, 4mm white, 10mm blue.

4. BAR:

A bar may be awarded in terms of rule 6, and shall be of cupro-nickel measuring 34mm in length and 6mm wide, bearing a five-pointed faceted cupro-nickel star with a diameter of 10mm.

For each subsequent award, the bar shall bear an additional five-pointed faceted cupro-nickel star.

5. CONFERMENT REQUIREMENTS MEDAL:

A medal may be awarded to a member of a Municipal/Metropolitan Police Service or any other person who has distinguished himself or herself by rendering commendable services of a meritorious nature, or distinguished himself or herself through outstanding resourcefulness and sense of duty and by setting an example in any branch of the Municipal/Metropolitan Police Service.

6. CONFERMENT REQUIREMENTS BAR:

A bar may be awarded to any member of a Municipal/Metropolitan Police Service or any other person to whom the medal has already been awarded and who, subsequent to such award has again distinguished himself or herself in the manner described in rule 5. In respect of every such subsequent distinction, an additional bar may be awarded: Provided that a bar shall be awarded only to a member or person who is already in possession of the medal.

7. CONFERMENT, FORFEITURE OR RESTORATION OF MEDAL:

The medal, as well as the bar in respect thereof, shall be awarded by the Mayor of a Municipal/Metropolitan Council upon the recommendation of the Executive Head of the Municipal/Metropolitan Police Service, and may also be cancelled, annulled, declared forfeited or restored by the Mayor of a Municipal/Metropolitan Council upon the recommendation of the Executive Head of the Municipal/Metropolitan Police Service, subject to such conditions as may be prescribed by the Regulations

8. POSTHUMOUS AWARD:

The medal as well as the bar in respect thereof, may be awarded posthumously.

9. ENGRAVING OR STAMPING OF SERIAL NUMBER:

On the reverse of each medal awarded shall be engraved or stamped a serial number that is linked to the service number or name of the recipient.

10. PUBLICATION IN DISTRIBUTION LIST & RECORDING IN REGISTER:

The names of the members to whom the medal or bar is awarded, shall be published in a national distribution list and shall, together with a copy of the certificate of award in respect of each decoration or medal which was awarded to a person in terms of the Regulations, be forwarded to the office of the National Commissioner for purposes of filing such certificate of award and making an entry in a register for the awarding of medals and decorations by Municipal/Metropolitan Police Services for record keeping purposes.

11. WEARING OF THE MEDAL:

The medal shall be worn on the left breast and a bar in respect thereof shall be affixed to the ribbon. When the medal is not worn, only the ribbon in respect thereof shall be worn on the left breast, and where a bar has been awarded, a device in the form of a cupro-nickel five-pointed star shall be affixed to the ribbon as an indication of the award of each such bar.

12. ENTITLEMENT:

The award of the medal or bar shall not entitle the recipient to any individual precedence, but shall allow him or her to add the letters MPCM, derived from the initial letters of the award, after his or her name.

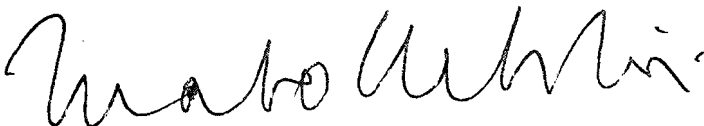
13. MEDAL IN MINIATURE:

A reproduction of the medal in miniature, half the size of the medal, may be worn on fitting occasions.

14. SEALED MODEL OF MEDAL:

A sealed model of the medal, as well as the bar and ribbon in respect thereof and of the miniature reproduction thereof, shall be kept in safe custody in the office of the National Commissioner of the South African Police Service or in such other place as the President of the Republic of South Africa may determine.

Given under my Hand and the Seal of the Republic of South Africa at Pretoria on this Twenty-third day of July of the year Two Thousand and Eight



T MBEKI
President

By Order of the President in-Council:



C NQAKULA
Minister of the Cabinet