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SOUTH AFRICAN HERITAGE RESOURCES AGENCY

DECLARATION OF SITES WITHIN THE BO-KAAP NATIONAL HERITAGE SITES

By virtue of the powers vested in the South African Heritage Resources Agency, in terms of section 27 (5) of the National Heritage Resources Act (No. 25 of 1999) SAHRA hereby declares 19 Sites listed in the Schedule as part of the Bo-Kaap as National Heritage Sites.

Statement of Significance

The community spirit of Bo-Kaap as described in many historical studies has been carried through the last two centuries by generations of families residing in the area. The protection of religious, cultural and architectural heritage of the area is at the fore of community concerns.

Bo-Kaap contains the largest concentration of pre-1850 architecture in the country and is the oldest surviving residential neighborhood in Cape Town. The unique townscape comprises a range of architectural styles inclusive of Cape Dutch (14760 – c1815), Georgian (Cape English c1810 –1860), Victorian (c1860 – 1900) and Edwardian (c1900 – 1930). The character of the streetscapes is enhanced by the siting of the area on the slopes of Signal Hill, and thus enjoying views towards Table Mountain, the city bowl and the harbor.

The number of mosques within the area provides the Muslim community of Cape Town with not only a place of worship, but also provides opportunities for education and awareness. As the contributions made by the mosques are of great significance, a 'Mosques of the Bo-Kaap Committee' has been established to oversee the co-ordination and management of the 10 mosques in the area.

For purposes of declaration, the significance, the following categories have been utilized:

Historical value: The Bo-Kaap has the largest concentration of pre-1840 architecture in South Africa. Examples of properties of historical significance are the Schotse Kloof Homestead in Dorp Street and Spolander House in upper Wale Street.

Aesthetic value: The use of streets as defining elements is of particular significance. Examples of architectural significance includes houses in the old "National Monument" area (between Rose and Chiappini Streets) and the Wale Street Museum.

Scientific value: The quarry sites in Chiappini and Strand Streets have scientific and technological importance.

Social value: The area is highly valued by the community, religious institutions historians, architects and conservationists. Example of a site of social and spiritual significance is the Tana Baru cemetery. The area has strong links to the legacy of slavery.

Spiritual value: The numerous mosques, karamat and quarry sites have spiritual significance.

Rarity: The community as a whole is extremely unique and attracts a host of local as well as international tourists.

Representativity: Days of fasting and feasting are of great importance and are celebrated in splendor within the community – often attracting members of neighboring communities.

Living history: Rich sources of stories, legends, myths and values.

Schedule

The demarcation of the sites are as follows:

Site Name	Erf No/ Farm No	Province	Town	Municipality	Survey Diagram
The Auwal Masjid	2839; 2840	Western Cape	Cape Town	City of Cape Town	GP 2259/2011
Prayer Quarry	149141	Western Cape	Cape Town	City of Cape Town	SG 651/1992
The Tana Baru Burial Ground	938,	Western Cape	Cape Town	City of Cape Town	SG 9164/1959;
	960,				SG 776/1857;
	961,				SG 1489/2016;
	962,				SG 6165/1959;
	963				SG 58/1829
The Stables Site – 46 Rose Str	126453	Western Cape	Cape Town	City of Cape Town	SG 194/1986
The Strand Street Quarry	Part of 367- RE	Western Cape	Cape Town	City of Cape Town	SG 10600/1994
The Wash House Quarry	Remainder of 144781	Western Cape	Cape Town	City of Cape Town	SG 8853/1989
The Spolander House – 97 Dorp Str	Part of 983 – RE	Western Cape	Cape Town	City of Cape Town	SG 393/1839
Schotsche Kloof Primary School – 76 Tanabaru Str	658	Western Cape	Cape Town	City of Cape Town	SG 1583/1954

St Pauls Primary School – 40 Bryant Str	2946	Western Cape	Cape Town	City of Cape Town	SG B1326/1930
Buitengracht Street Wall	Historic stone wall along Buitengracht Street from Wale Str to Carisbrook Str	Western Cape	Cape Town	City of Cape Town	
Vista High School – Military Road	9346	Western Cape	Cape Town	City of Cape Town	SG 6908/1960
Schotsche Kloof Homestead – 79 Dorp Str	1877- RE	Western Cape	Cape Town	City of Cape Town	SG 325/1850
Stadzicht Homestead – 2, 2A, 4 Stadzicht Str	152930	Western Cape	Cape Town	City of Cape Town	SG 5032/1993
	152931				5033/1993
	152932				5034/1993
Nural Islam Masjid – 134 Buitengracht Str	166368	Western Cape	Cape Town	City of Cape Town	SG 4925/2001
Jamia Masjid – 62 Chiappini Str	173650	Western Cape	Cape Town	City of Cape Town	SG 5601/2008
Masjid Shafee – Upper Chiappini Str	1377	Western Cape	Cape Town	City of Cape Town	SG 4146/1859
	1378				SG 1570/1875
Masjid Boorhanol Islam – 194 Longmarket Str	1042	Western Cape	Cape Town	City of Cape Town	SG 537/1888
Nurul Huda Masjid – Upper Leeuwen Str	1895	Western Cape	Cape Town	City of Cape Town	SG 5719/1938
Bo-Kaap Museum – 71 Wale Str	115963	Western Cape	Cape Town	City of Cape Town	SG 4455/1983