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**Official Use:**

Site Ref: .....  
Grade 1:.....  
Committee Date:.....

## National Heritage Site Nomination Form

This form precedes the submission of the 'Nomination Document' and is designed to assist with the grading of heritage resources in terms Section 3(3) of the National Heritage Resources Act, as part of the process of declaration as a National Heritage Site (Section 27). Nominated heritage resources that are of special national significance will be graded as Grade 1 and considered for National Heritage Site status.

### Proposed National Heritage Site Sheikh Mohamed Gaibie Shah

#### Brief Statement of Significance:

The 'Circle of Tombs' is considered significant in terms of the role of Islam and slavery in the Western Cape, cultural connections between South Africa and Indonesia, value in terms of historic environments and consciousness of the sacredness of Muslim Burial Grounds. The contribution of the Muslim Community of Cape Town to the history and traditions of the City has been enormous since the days of the early Cape Settlement in the 17th Century. The saints of Islam played a large role in creating present-day Cape Town. The Kramats or Shrines (Mazaars) are the resting places of the pioneers of the Muslim community in South Africa. For generations, residents of Cape Town and its environs have been visiting these Kramats. The Kramat inspires a reverence and a peace not because of any architectural achievement or aesthetic appeal, but because of the character, knowledge, and spiritual presence of those buried there.

**Proposed By:**

**vidamemoria in association with the Cape Mazaar Society**

**Date Proposed:**

26 April 2019

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**Name of Property:**

Sheikh Mohamed Gaibie Shah

**Street Number and Street:**

Signal Hill Road

**Suburb:**

Signal Hill

**Town:**

Cape Town

**District:**

Western Cape

#### Cadastral Information

**Erf/ Farm Number:**

178079

**Registration Division:**

Signal Hill, Cape Town

**Longitude:**

18°23'40.86"E

**Latitude:**

33°55'42.05"S

**Map Reference**

**Recording Method**



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## Type of Resource

- Place
- Structure
- Archaeological Site
- Palaeontological Site
- Geological Feature
- Grave

Do moveable objects relating to the site form part of the Nomination?

Serial nomination (Is more than one site being nominated as part of a 'Joint Nomination')

(For serial nominations, complete one form for each site, supply additional details about the information relating to the relation of the sites, and the management and phasing of proposed nomination be attached).

Sphere of Significance	High	Med	Low
International	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
National	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Provincial	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Regional	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Local	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Specialist group or community	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

## What other similar sites may be compared to the site? How does the site compare to these sites?

The site forms part of a serial nomination, with each site contributing the significance of the 'Circle of Tombs'. An international example is the Tomb of Sheikh Yusuf in Macassar Indonesia, which, in conjunction with the Circle of Tombs located in South Africa is considered to be of high significance.

**Owner:** Lions Head Reserve

(If state-owned; responsible department and official position of contact)

Postal Address

Telephone: Fax: 021 424 1037

E-Mail Web Page:

Contact Person:

- \* Expanded statement of significance; (Refer specifically to significance criteria listed below)
- \* Motivation for declaration as a Provincial Heritage Site, including potential, threats and vulnerabilities;
- \* Short history of the place;
- \* Physical description of the heritage resource;
- \* Locality plan (map) and Site Plan;
- \* Photographs and plans;
- \*\* List of moveable objects relating to site that are proposed as part of nomination, or for archaeological or palaeontological site ;list of repositories where these are housed;
- \*\* Bibliography of documentation relating to the heritage resource;
- \*\* Statement of current protections and restrictions (e.g. previous national monument; register of immovable property; conservation area; current zoning; servitudes);
- \*\* List any heritage organizations consulted and their comments on the proposed nomination.
- \*\*\* Site plan (with proposed site boundaries);
- \*\*\* Conservation or management plans (send immediately if any exist);
- \*\*\* Heritage Agreement (if required).

(Please supply those marked (\*) with this nomination form, as well as any others that are already available. Those marked (\*\*) will be requested when the proposal first goes to HWC Council for endorsement (Tentative List of Provincial Heritage Sites). Those marked (\*\*\*) will be required when the Nomination goes to the following Council Meeting for approval as a Provincial Heritage Site).



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