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Dear Sir,

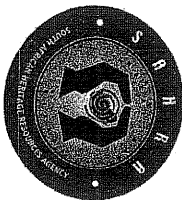
**RE: NOMINATION AS NATIONAL HERITAGE SITE – GOLDSMITH'S SITE, IN THE CRADLE OF
HUMANKIND WORLD HERITAGE MANAGEMENT AREA, GAUTENG, SOUTH AFRICA.**

In line with Sections 27(1) and 3 (3) of the National Heritage Resources Act (NHRA), No. 25 of 1999, SAHRA has identified Goldsmith's site as a candidate for nomination as National Heritage Site. SAHRA performs this function through researchers, and you have been considered suitable for the exercise. Attached are SAHRA forms for nomination of sites as National Heritage Sites. The forms are self-explanatory, and please feel free to contact us for clarity on any issues.

Thanking you in advance for your valuable input.

Yours sincerely

Nonofho Ndobochani
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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: Goldsmit's site

Brief Statement of Significance: *(A full statement of significance is required as an attachment)*

A recently discovered cave site with breccia rich in fossil fauna particularly of the Sabre tooth cat Dinofelis. It is close to The Bolts Farm caves which have also produced Dinofelis fossils. There are some early stone tools and here is much potential for research.

Proposed By: R. J. Clarke **Date Proposed:** 17 Nov 2010

Contact Details: Institute For Human Evolution Wits University

Name of Property: Goldsmit's site

Street Number and Street: 26.02S & 27.43E GPS location

Suburb: Stellenbosch 173, Portion 138, Portion of Portion 138

Town: KRUGERSDORP **District:** KRUGERSDORP DISTRICT

Cadastral Information

Erf/ Farm Number: STERKSTADT 173, PORTION 138

Registration Division:

Longitude: 26.02S

Latitude: 27.43E

Map Reference: 2627 BA **Recording Method:** GPS

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 checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
National	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Provincial	<input 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?

Bells Farm It has large number of fossils of

Dinofelis that apparently fell into a natural death trap

Owner: *Benny Walken*

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

Postal Address: *3 SANDDOWN HILLS, HOLE IN ONE ST, RUMSIG*

Telephone: *083 600 4326* **Fax:**

Cell:

E-Mail:

Web Page:

Contact Person: *(If different from above. Please supply contact details)*

- * Expanded statement of significance; *(refer specifically to significance criteria listed below)*
- * Motivation for declaration as a National Heritage Site, including potential heritage value, 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 SAHRA Council for endorsement (tentative List of National Heritage Sites). Those marked (****) will be required when the Nomination goes to the following Council Meeting for approval as a National Heritage Site). All information submitted to SAHRA will remain with SAHRA.*

Type of Significance

1. Historical Value

Indicate with a tick	Comment where appropriate: Indicate sphere of significance: i.e. National, Provincial, Local and degree of significance: i.e. High, Medium or Low.
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a. It is important in the community, or pattern of history

- i. Importance in the evolution of cultural landscapes and settlement patterns
- ii. Importance in exhibiting density, richness or diversity of cultural features illustrating the human occupation and evolution of the nation, Province, region or locality.
- iii. Importance for association with events, developments or cultural phases that have had a significant role in the human occupation and evolution of the nation, Province, region or community.
- iv. Importance as an example for technical, creative, design or artistic excellence, innovation or achievement in a particular period

b. It has strong or special association with the life or work of a person, group or organisation of importance in history

- i. Importance for close associations with individuals, groups or organisations whose life, works or activities have been significant within the history of the nation, Province, region or community.

c. It has significance relating to the history of slavery

- i. Importance for a direct link to the history of slavery in South Africa.

2. Aesthetic Value

a. It is important in exhibiting particular aesthetic characteristics valued by a community or cultural group

- i. Importance to a community for aesthetic characteristics held in high esteem or otherwise valued by the community.
- ii. Importance for its creative, design or artistic excellence, innovation or achievement.
- iii. Importance for its contribution to the aesthetic values of the setting demonstrated by a landmark quality or having impact on important vistas or otherwise contributing to the identified aesthetic qualities of the cultural environs or the natural landscape within which it is located.
- iv. In the case of an historic precinct, importance for the aesthetic character created by the individual components which collectively form a significant streetscape, townscape or cultural environment.

3. Scientific Value

a. It has potential to yield information that will contribute to an understanding of natural or cultural heritage

- i. Importance for information contributing to a wider understanding of natural or cultural history by virtue of its use as a research site, teaching site, type locality, reference or

Can yield more information about Patagonia's early hominid fossils.

benchmark site.

- ii. Importance for information contributing to a wider understanding of the origin of the universe or of the development of the earth.
- iii. Importance for information contributing to a wider understanding of the origin of life; the development of plant or animal species, or the biological or cultural development of hominid or human species.
- iv. Importance for its potential to yield information contributing to a wider understanding of the history of human occupation of the nation, Province, region or locality.

b. It is important in demonstrating a high degree of creative or technical achievement at a particular period

- i. Importance for its technical innovation or achievement.

4. Social Value

a. It has strong or special association with a particular community or cultural group for social, cultural or spiritual reasons

- i. Importance as a place highly valued by a community or cultural group for reasons of social, cultural, religious, spiritual, symbolic, aesthetic or educational associations.
- ii. Importance in contributing to a community's sense of place.

Degrees of Significance

5. Rarity:

a. It possesses uncommon, rare or endangered aspects of natural or cultural heritage

- i. Importance for rare, endangered or uncommon structures, landscapes or phenomena.
- ii. Importance in demonstrating a distinctive way of life, custom, process, land-use, function or design no longer practiced in, or in danger of being lost from, or of exceptional interest to the nation, Province, region or locality.

6. Representativity:

a. It is important in demonstrating the principal characteristics of a particular class of natural or cultural places or objects

- i. Importance in demonstrating the principal characteristics of a range of landscapes or environments, the attributes of which identify it as being characteristic of its class.
- ii. Importance in demonstrating the principal characteristics of human activities (including way of life, philosophy, custom, process, land-use, function, design or technique) in the environment of the nation, Province, region or locality.

Signature: *RCS Clarke*

Date: *17 Nov 2010*

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An example of natural death trap for big cats

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An extension of the Bolls Farm of caves and Puffins topography. Puffin track. Check for Puffin and Swallowtans

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CC: "Francis Thackeray" <Francis.Thackeray@wits.ac.za>; "Bernhard Zipfel" <B...><<Goldsmith's nomination.pdf>> <<2010 permit applic Goldsmiths.pdf>>

Dear Colette,

Attached are:

1) The completed nomination forms for declaration of Goldsmith's site in the Cradle of Humankind as a National Heritage Site. The forms were sent to Prof Ron Clarke by Nonofho Ndobochani, as indicated in the covering letter.

2) An application for renewal of the excavation permit previously issued to Prof Clarke for Goldsmith's. This includes a letter of permission signed by the new owner of the property, Mr Benny Walken.

The originals of these two applications will be sent out with Monday's mail, but the attached are scans of all the signed documents.

With best wishes,

Ron Clarke c/o Kathy Kuman

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