

NATIONAL MONUMENTS ACT, No. 28 OF 1969

DECLARATION OF THE OLD DUTCH REFORMED MISSION CHURCH AND PARSONAGE, AT BEAUFORT WEST

By Virtue of the powers vested in me by section 10 (1) of the National Monuments Act, 1969 (Act 28 of 1969), I, Teunis Nicolaas Hendrik Janson, Minister of National Education, hereby declare a portion of the property known as Erf 586, with the old Dutch Reformed Mission Church and parsonage thereon, at Beaufort West, to be a national monument.

Description

The front portion of the property bounding on Donkin Street, with the old Dutch Reformed Mission Church and parsonage thereon, namely certain piece of land, being Erf 586, Beaufort West, situate in the Municipality and Division of Beaufort West, as depicted on Plan 0 107 and filed in the Deeds Office, the office of the Town Clerk at Beaufort West and the National Monuments Council, and measuring 1 400 (one thousand four hundred) square metres.

Deed of Transfer 3967/1966, dated 3 March 1966.

Historical and architectural interest

This Mission Church, the foundation stone of which was laid on 4 May 1871, was completed in December 1872 by the building contractor Adriaan Ventura. The Rev. Paulus Teshe was the main driving force behind its erection. The early nineteenth century parsonage was enlarged in 1914 by the Rev. A. H. Barnard and was the birthplace of the well-known heart surgeons, Prof. Chris Barnard and Dr Marius Barnard. 10/2/746.

T. N. H. JANSON, Minister of National Education.