NATIONAL MONUMENTS ACT, No. 28 OF 1969

DECLARATION OF THE RUINS OF THE JACOBS HOUSE ON THE FARM DE KALK, NEAR HOPETOWN

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 the ruins of the Jacobs House, with 10 metres of surrounding land, on the farm De Kalk in the Division of Hopetown, to be a national monument.

Description

The ruins of the Jacobs House, with 10 metres of surrounding land, situate on one half $(\frac{1}{2})$ share in certain piece of abolished quitrent land, being the remainder of Portion I of the farm De Kalk 37, in the Division of Hopetown. Deed of Transfer 24416/1967, dated 24 October 1967 (paragraph 2).

Historical and architectural interest

In this vicinity Schalk van Niekerk in 1867 noticed the "pretty stone" found by the young Erasmus Jacobs and used by the children as a plaything. It proved to be the first authenticated diamond to be found in South Africa. Known later as the "Eureka", it was purchased by De Beers Consolidated Mines in 1966 and presented to Parliament. 10/2/801.

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