NATIONAL MONUMENTS ACT, No. 28 OF 1969

DECLARATION OF THE PROPERTY, TOGETHER WITH THE 1832 CHURCH, THE 1850 CHURCH, AS WELL AS THE SURROUNDING RING-WALL, SITUATED IN THE MISSION VILLAGE OF SALEM, DISTRICT OF ALBANY

By virtue of the powers vested in me by section 10 (1) of the National Monuments Act, 1969 (Act 28 of 1969), I, Gerrit van Niekerk Viljoen, Minister of National Education, hereby declare the property, together with the 1832 church, the 1850 church, as well as the surrounding ring-wall, situated in the Mission Village of Salem, District of Albany, to be a national monument.

Description

The property, with the two historic church buildings as well as the ring-wall thereon, situate on a portion of the location of the Hezekiah Sephton or Salem party, Allotment 21 (now known as Remainder of Farm 519, Albany), and measuring 3 (three) morgen 164 (one hundred and sixty-four) square roods $66^4/_{10}$ (sixty-six and four-tenths) square feet.

Crown Grant 47/1847, dated 23 November 1847.

Historical and architectural interest

This church complex, consisting of the 1832 re-erected church, the 1850 neo-Gothic church and the early nineteenth century ring-wall, is closely associated with the 1820 Settlers, as well as the start of Methodism in South Africa. The corner-stones of these two churches were laid on 1 January 1832 and 18 July 1850, respectively. 10/2/850.

G. VAN N. VILJOEN, Minister of National Education.