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WAR GRAVES AND NATIONAL MONUMENTS ACT,  
No. 28 OF 1969

## DECLARATION OF THE PROPERTY WITH THE SO-CALLED HAWTHORNDEN HOUSE THEREON, SITUATED IN HERSHELL WALK, WYNBERG, CAPE TOWN

By virtue of the powers vested in me by section 10 (1) of the War Graves and National Monuments Act, 1969 (Act 28 of 1969), I, Gerrit van Niekerk Viljoen, Minister of National Education, hereby declare the property with the so-called Hawthornden house thereon, situated in Herschell Walk, Wynberg, Cape Town, to be a national monument.

*Description*

The property with the so-called Hawthornden house thereon, described as follows:

(a) Certain piece of land situate at Wynberg in the City of Cape Town, Administrative District of The Cape, being Erf 9124, portion of Erf 66055, Cape Town, and measuring three thousand three hundred and seventy-three (3 373) square metres in extent.

(b) Certain piece of land situate at Wynberg in the City of Cape Town, Administrative District of The Cape, being Erf 91213, portion of Erf 66065, Cape Town, and two thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine (2 869) square metres in extent.

Deed of Transfer 8925/1978, dated 1 May 1978.

(c) Certain piece of land situate at Wynberg in the City of Cape Town, Administrative District of The Cape, being Erf 91220, portion of Erf 66065, Cape Town, and one thousand four hundred and twelve (1 412) square metres in extent.

Deed of Transfer 8924/1978, dated 1 May 1978.

(d) Certain piece of land situate at Wynberg in the City of Cape Town, Administrative District of the Cape, being Erf 91221, portion of Erf 66065, Cape Town, and one comma nought nought two four (1,0024) hectares in extent.

Deed of Transfer 6661/1977, dated 29 March 1977.

*Historical and architectural interest*

The core of this double-storeyed house probably dates from 1683. The house was rebuilt in its present French Victorian style in 1881 by Capt. John Spence. Sir J. B. Robinson bought Hawthornden in 1891 and lived there until his death in 1927. Count Natale Labia, grandson of J. B. Robinson, donated Hawthornden to the Cape Provincial Administration in 1978, but retains usufruct thereof during his lifetime. 10/2/1025.

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

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WET OP OORLOGSGRAFTE EN NASIONALE  
GEDENKWAARDIGHEDE, No. 28 VAN 1969VERKLARING VAN DIE EIENDOM MET DIE SOGE-  
NAAMDE HAWTHORNDEN-HUIS DAAROP, GELEË  
IN HERSHELL WALK, WYNBERG, KAAPSTAD

Kragtens die bevoegdheid my verleen by artikel 10 (1) van die Wet op Oorlogsgrafte en Nasionale Gedenkwaardighede, 1969 (Wet 28 van 1969), verklaar ek, Gerrit van Niekerk Viljoen, Minister van Nasionale Opvoeding, hierby die eiendom met die sogenaamde Hawthornden-huis daarop, geleë in Herschell Walk, Wynberg, Kaapstad, tot nasionale gedenkwaardigheid.

*Beskrywing*

Die eiendom met die sogenaamde Hawthornden-huis daarop, beskrywe soos volg:

(a) Sekere stuk grond geleë te Wynberg in die stad Kaapstad, administratiewe distrik Die Kaap, synde Erf 9124, gedeelte van Erf 66055, Kaapstad, en groot drieduisend driehonderd drie-en-sewentig (3 373) vierkante meter.

(b) Sekere stuk grond geleë te Wynberg in die stad Kaapstad, administratiewe distrik Die Kaap, synde Erf 91213, gedeelte van Erf 66065, Kaapstad, en groot tweeduisend agthonderd nege-en-sestig (2 869) vierkante meter.

Transportakte 8925/1978, gedateer 1 Mei 1978.

(c) Sekere stuk grond geleë te Wynberg in die stad Kaapstad, administratiewe distrik Die Kaap, synde Erf 91220, gedeelte van Erf 66065, Kaapstad, en groot eenduisend vierhonderd en twaalf (1 412) vierkante meter.

Transportakte 8924/1978, gedateer 1 Mei 1978.

(d) Sekere stuk grond geleë te Wynberg in die stad Kaapstad, administratiewe distrik Die Kaap, synde Erf 91221, gedeelte van Erf 66065, Kaapstad, en groot een komma nul nul twee vier (1,0024) hektaar.

Transportakte 6661/1977, gedateer 29 Maart 1977.

*Historiese en argitektoniese belang*

Die kern van hierdie dubbelverdiepinghuis dateer vermoedelik uit 1683. Die huis is in 1881 deur kapt. John Spence in sy huidige Frans-Victoriaanse styl herbou. In 1891 het sir J. B. Robinson Hawthornden gekoop en daar gebly tot met sy dood in 1927. Graaf Natale Labia, kleinseun van J. B. Robinson, het Hawthornden in 1978 aan die Kaapse Provinsiale Administrasie geskenk, maar behou vruggebruik daarvan gedurende sy leeftyd. 10/2/1025.

G. VAN N. VILJOEN, Minister van Nasionale Opvoeding.