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PERMIT: Remove from its original position

In terms of Section 36(3) of the National Heritage Resources Act (Act 25 of 1999)

Site: Highlands Gate Torut Estate (Highlandsgate graves)

The Mthombeni Family have requested the current landowner to assist them in the relocation of their 6 ancestral graves from ERF 915 Highland Gate Golf & Trout Estate, Kruisfontein Road, Portion 6 of the farm Kareekraal, Dullstroom, Mpumalanga to the family cemetery in Dullstroom. The graves will be adversely impacted on due to housing development prospects. Tswelopele Funeral Services will be handling the remains. This permit is allocated for the exhumation and re-internment of graves that are protected under section 36(3) of the National Heritage Resources Act 25 of 1999 as consented by the next-of-kin (s). Exhumation and re-internment of graves that fall outside the said legislative prescript must be authorized by the relevant permitting authorities. The following conditions must be adhered to.

Conditions:

1. If the permit holder is not to be present on the site at all times then the heritage authority must be provided with the names and qualifications of the authorized representatives.
2. Adequate recording methods as specified in the Regulations and Guidelines pertaining to the National Heritage Resources Act must be employed. Note that the position of all excavations and objects collected must be marked on a site plan.
3. A standard site record form must be lodged on SAHRIS.
4. Human remains must at all times be handled with respect and graves should not be disturbed except where unavoidable. The consultation procedures as indicated in the Regulations and the National Heritage Resources Act must be observed as appropriate. The recommendations for removal of graves and exhumations and for re-burial stipulated in SAHRA's Policy 'What to do when graves are uncovered', section 3, must be observed as far as possible.
5. A permit report is due by **30 November 2023**. A preliminary report must be submitted within three months from the date this permit is issued.

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6. All remains recovered, including relics and artefacts must be buried at a local municipal cemetery.
7. Reprints of all published papers or copies of theses and/or reports resulting from this work must be lodged with the relevant provincial heritage authority and SAHRA.
8. If a published report has not appeared within three years of the lapsing of this permit, the report required in terms of the permit will be made available to researchers on request.
9. It is the responsibility of the permit holder to obtain permission from the landowner for each visit, and conditions of access imposed by the landowner must be observed.
10. It is the responsibility of the permit holder to fill in excavations and protect sites during and after excavation to the satisfaction of the heritage authority and the landowner.
11. Only graves for which consent has been obtained can be exhumed under this permit.
12. It is the responsibility of the permit holder to ensure that the exhumed individuals are buried in accordance with the wishes of the Next-of Kin(s).
13. The heritage authority shall not be liable for any losses, damages or injuries to persons or properties as a result of any activities in connection with this permit.
14. The heritage authority reserves the right to cancel this permit by notice to the permit holder.

This permit is valid from
12/12/2022 to 12/12/2023

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Heritage Officer: Permitting
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Acting Manager: Burial Grounds & Graves Unit
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Additional Info:

Please note that this permit may be suspended should an appeal against the decisions be received by SAHRA within 14 days from the date of the permit. SAHRA may not be held responsible for any costs or losses incurred in the event of the suspension or retraction of this permit.

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