

DEPARTMENT OF ARTS AND CULTURE
SOUTH AFRICAN HERITAGE RESOURCES AGENCY

**DECLARATION OF THE BURIAL SITE OF SARAH BARTMANN AS A
 NATIONAL HERITAGE SITE**

By virtue of the powers vested in the South African Heritage Resources Agency in terms of section 27(7) of the National Heritage Resources Act, 25 of 1999, SAHRA hereby declares the burial site of Sarah Bartmann situated on erf 3164, Hankey, Kouga Municipality, Eastern Cape Province as a National Heritage Site.

SIGNIFICANCE

The site has spiritual, cultural, social, and historical significance.

The treatment of Sarah Bartmann during her life and after her death speaks of suffering, dispossession, sadness and loss of dignity, culture, community, language and life. It is a symptom of the inhumanity of people.

The return and reburial of Sarah Bartmann is contributing towards healing from oppression and suffering, not only for her life but for the community and the nation. Reburial returned dignity to Sarah Bartmann and her ancestors. The site is a symbol that helps redefine our identity as a South African nation; it repairs our sense of community and restores humane values to South Africans and the world.

EXTENT

| Site Name | Town | Erf | Municipality | Province | SG Diagram | Figure | Extent | Deed of Transfer |
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| Burial site of Sarah Bartmann | Hankey | 3164 | Kouga | Eastern Cape | 1681/2003 | AB, BC, CD, DE, EF, FG, GH, HI, JK, KL, LM, MN, NP, PQ, QA | | |