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### **“BLACKIE”, IS A SPECIFICALLY DECLARED HERITAGE OBJECT**

In terms of the National Heritage Resources Act No.25 of 1999, Cultural Treasures and movable National Monuments declared under previous Act are referred to as heritage objects. The South African Heritage Resources Agency is mandated to preserve South Africa’s Heritage Resources.

Cape Town Station was refurbished as part of preparation for the Soccer World Cup in 2010 and since that time, “Blackie” was in storage and was returned to Cape Town Station on 07 April 2019.

The mosaic tiles upon which “Blackie” is displayed forms the crest of the former Cape Government Railways and date back to the late nineteenth century and originally surrounded the Ticket and Booking Offices in the Concourse of the old Cape Town Station.