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//Are-ma//eis Kouga Great Place Farm Papiesfontein R102 Kabeljous 6300 LINKS ROYAL HOUSE KOUGA NPO REG NO: 273-044 NPO

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The Office of the Speaker Kouga Local Municipality Da Gama Road Jeffreys Bay 6330

REQUEST FOR ASSITANCE TOWARDS CLEANING CAMPAIGN - "SAVE OUR HERITAGE"

Dear Honourable Speaker Councillor Brenton Williams,

The matter *supra* bears reference:

Herewith please find our formal request to be assisted with a few logistical items to ensure we host a successful "SAVE OUR HERITAGE" cleaning campaign within the Municipal Jurisdictional Area of Kouga Local Municipality. As you are aware we are permanently residing here in Kabeljous at our Great Place, with the intentions of ensuring that we protect and maintain our heritage whilst still practicing our indigenous !Khwe culture.

I've noticed that the road from Mondplaas (direction from Gqeberha) to Jeffreys Bay has become extremely busy over the years, with the influx of permanent residents to Jeffreys Bay from all over South Africa as a cry from the current governance structure. Now this is not necessarily a bad thing, as it aids in the tourism industry (something all our children do as a subject in school but rarely benefit from), which makes up the bulk of the Jeffreys Bay local economy; with all the guest houses and events hosted by Kouga Municipality. However, this brings along some bad behaviour from motorists and I've noticed that drivers throw all sorts of rubbish from their cars polluting our natural environment placing some onus on Kouga Municipality with the *vicarious liability* doctrine as the Municipality benefits from these motorists.

I am also aware that Kouga Municipality has no control over these harms done to our natural environment by these motorists, but still have an obligation to come up with means to protect our natural environment in terms of the prescripts of NEMA and our South African Constitution.

Bearing this in mind, The Links Royal House Kouga NPO intends to have a cleaning campaign where we will get our hands dirty by developing a program where a few youth or school kids collect all this rubbish ourselves with a "SAVE OUR HERITAGE CAMPAIGN".

In light of this initiative, I would like to call on the Kouga Municipality to assist us with the following:

- 1. Supply of enough refuse bags; colour coded to separate the different kinds of materials for recycling purposes.
- 2. Bottled water to supply to the volunteers during the program.
- 3. A contribution of R1 000 per volunteer (20 volunteers) as a stipend for the 10 days of the cleaning campaign, that will amount to R20 000 in total.
- 4. Any tools that one might require to pick up rubbish as well as ppe, I.e. gloves etc.
- 5. Perhaps assist with providing lunch to the volunteers for every day of the campaign.

I am however also aware that the R102 is a Regional Road and not necessarily the responsibility of Kouga Municipality, but I also do know that the same road provides a gateway into Jeffreys Bay and Kouga as a whole, making this an extremely important road and ultimately becomes our responsibility to look after. Hence not only requesting assistance from the Eastern Cape Department of Roads, but also to our local Municipality.

I trust you will find the above in order and hope that you are as serious about looking after nature as the !Khwe Nations.

Kind regards

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