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NOTICE OF DECLARATION OF PARTICULAR TREES AND PARTICULAR GROUPS OF TREES "CHAMPION TREES" UNDER SECTION 12(1) (A) AND (B) OF THE NATIONAL FORESTS ACT, 1998 (ACT NO. 84 OF 1998), AS AMENDED.

By virtue of powers vested in me under Section 12 (1) (a) and (b) of the National Forests Act, 1998, I, Tina Joemat-Pettersson, Minister of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries hereby declare that all particular trees and particular group of trees set out in the schedule below as protected trees. These trees are added to the existing list of declared Champion Trees.

The effect of this declaration is that in terms of Section 15 (1) of the National Forests Act, 1998, no person may cut, disturb, damage or destroy any protected tree or possess, collect, remove, transport, export, purchase, sell, donate or in any other manner acquired or dispose of any protected tree or any forest product derived from a protected tree, except under a licence granted by the Minister or in terms of an exemption from the provisions of this subsection published by the Minister in the Gazette on the advice of the Council.

Contravention of this declaration is regarded as a first category offence that may result in a person who is found guilty of being sentenced to a fine or imprisonment for a period up to three years, or both a fine and imprisonment.

SCHEDULE A

CHAMPION TREE NOMINATION REGISTER NUMBER	Tree Species / Tree Name	Other common names	General Description	Location (Province, district, farm/town, suburb, street) property registration names or approximate co- ordinates if available
186	<i>Sequoia sempervirens</i> (Californian redwood) The Table Mountain Grove	Kaliforniese Rooihout (A)	Redwood trees planted in 1897 forming a landmark and recreation area for local residents, including tall Monterey pines at the fringe of this grove.	Part of block B18C Tokai plantation, Table Mountain National Park Western Cape
209	<i>Eucalyptus grandis</i> ; <i>E maculata</i> etc. (Rose gum, Spotted gum etc) Gum Tree Corner	Salignabloekom (A), Gevlektebloekom (A) ens.	Group of exceptionally large gum trees.	KZN Botanical Gardens Pietermaritzburg Kwazulu-Natal S 29° 36' 26.2" E 30° 20' 38.5"

222	<i>Sequoia sempervirens</i> (Californian Redwood) Misty Grove	Kaliforniese Rooihout (A)	A stand of tall Sequoia trees planted about 80 years ago.	Woodbush Plantation, Haenertsburg Limpopo Province S 23° 59.121' E 29° 59.354'
237	<i>Eucalyptus saligna</i> (Sydney bluegum) Saasveld Trees	Salignabloekom (A)	Large eucalypt landmark trees at the scenic Saasveld campus	Saasveld campus of Nelson Mandela Metropolitan University Western Cape
255	<i>Populus deltoids</i> (Cottonwood tree) The Parktown Tree	Vuurhoutjipopulier (A)	The largest Cottonwood tree measured locally, and a remnant of the semi-rural surroundings of Johannesburg which are now built up.	5a 10 th avenue, Parktown North Gauteng

A = Afrikaans / E = English / Sep = Sepedi / Set = Setswana / V = Tshivenda / X = IsiXhosa / Z = IsiZulu