

## SIVANANDA WORLD PEACE FOUNDATION

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## **MEDIA RELEASE!**

HISTORIC OFFICIAL UNVEILING OF BUSTS OF HIS MAJESTY THE KING, KING GOODWILL ZWELITHINI, FORMER PRESIDENT NELSON MANDELA & THE SIVANANDA PEACE PILLAR IN MITCHELL PARK, DURBAN ON THE 22ND SEPTEMBER 2018

The official unveiling of a historic monument which includes bronze busts to be unveiled on **Saturday** the **22**<sup>nd</sup> of **September 2018 at Mitchell Park at 11H00** as part of the heritage day celebrations by His Majesty The King, King Goodwill Zwelithini KaBhekuZulu .

The monument is being installed at Mitchell Park in Durban. The project is the initiative of world renowned philanthropist, humanitarian and businessman Mr Ishwar Ramlutchman Mabheka Zulu. The bronze busts of His Majesty and Dr Nelson Mandela is the first ever to be installed in a public place globally together highlighting their contribution towards peace and stability in South africa. I have been associated with the Zulu Monarch and the Zulu Nation since 20 years old. I was touched by the simplicity and the contribution of His Majesty and Dr Nelson Mandela to society and decided to honour them by commisioning this monument of peace in honour of them. The Zulu Monarch has contributed tremendously in Nation building in South Africa said Ramlutchman

"I am delighted that Ishwar Ramlutchman Mabheka Zulu has installed the Sivananda Peace Pillar and a Bronze Bust of Myself in Honour of the Monarch and the Zulu Nation said King Goodwill Zwelithini. Over the years we have witnessed several monuments being built in honour of my people. As you know last year marked the 200th year of the founding of the Zulu Nation by King Shaka and 46 years of my reign as the Monarch. It is befitting as Ishwar Ramlutchman Mabheka Zulu has honoured the Monarch and the Zulu Nation by this Historic Monument. We Salute Ishwar Ramlutchman for having the vision to serve mankind in all spheres of life especially my people of KwaZulu Natal said His Majesty The King , King Goodwill Zwelithini KaBhekuZulu."

"The Sivananda Peace Pillars are a beacon of unity in diversity. They are a source of inspiration and a reminder that peace and love should transcend our human limitations. His Holiness the Dalai Lama of Tibet praised Ramlutchman for this noble initiative and gave his unconditional support for the project. Ramlutchman made a commitment to the late Swami Sahajananda to undertake the installation of at least 8 Sivananda Peace Pillars across South Africa but has gone on to surpass the figure promised. "The Sivananda Peace Pillar is a source of inspiration". In KwaZulu-Natal, Peace Pillars have already been unveiled in Tongaat, Empangeni, Ulundi, Gingindlovu, Clare Estate, Phoenix, Esikhawini, Ladysmith, Pietermaritzburg,, Durban, Greytown and Eshowe.

This historic monument is supported by the provincial heritage agency AMAFA.

This monument will serve as a symbol of reconciliation, tolerance and will also highlight the heritage of the pioneers, the courage and commitment of the freedom fighters, the wisdom, passion and determination of the visionaries of a non – racial and a democratic South Africa. I have embarked on a historic monument to be installed in the city which depicts nation building and our rich heritage.

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