

Woman offers flat to families under threat of eviction

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AN Albert Park, Durban, woman has thrown open her flat as a "crisis centre" to all Indian, coloured and mixed families who have been ordered to leave their homes in this white residential area.

Mrs Annette Nemeth has now joined the Durban Central Residents' Association which has been waging a struggle for affected families in the area since the first eviction notices were issued a few weeks ago.

Mrs Nemeth said she decided to take up the plight of the families evicted in terms of the Group Areas Act after a mixed couple who had moved into the block of flats where she lives were ordered out because the woman was coloured.

She has now fixed a notice to her front door, inviting sympathetic white residents to join her and has vowed to personally take up the fight.

"I can not understand how we can let so many flats in the Albert Park area stand empty when there are people who urgently need homes," she said.

"I could not care what



Mrs Annette Nemeth

colour anybody is who lives in this area, just as long as they are responsible citizens."

Association president Mr Sayed Iqbal Mohamed said that his organisation was looking for a representative in the area where affected families could report their plight and get help.

"It just goes to show that not all whites want Indian, coloured and mixed families out of the area.

"People like Mrs Nemeth are keen to help out which we find very touching."

Mrs Nemeth said that she was ready to help anyone, regardless of the time, day or night.

"We are faced with a wicked situation and I am going to do all I can to fight Group Areas," she said.