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March 31st 2009

Ontario Heritage Trust 10 Adelaide Street East Toronto, Ontario M5C 1J3

Attention: Sean Fraser

Dear Mr. Fraser:

Heritage Designation, Former Port Carling Schoolhouse and Former Glen Orchard Schoolhouse Re:

and Cemetery, Roll #'s 5-8-103 & 6-15-008

Further to our recent email correspondence to you, please find enclosed the Notice of Intention to Designate two properties within the Township of Muskoka Lakes, the former Port Carling Schoolhouse and the former Glen Orchard Schoolhouse and cemetery, as required by the Ontario Heritage Act.

The Council of the Township of Muskoka Lakes will deliberate by-laws to designate both properties on April 7<sup>th</sup> 2009. We apologize for the delay in forwarding these documents.

If you have any comments or questions, please do not hesitate to contact this office.

Yours truly,

Stephen Fahner, B.A. (Hon.), A.M.C.T., C.M.M.III, M.C.I.P., R.P.P.

Director of Planning

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In the Matter of the
Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, c.0.18 and
In the Matter of the Lands and Premises
at the following Municipal Address
In the Province of Ontario

## NOTICE OF INTENTION TO DESIGNATE

TAKE NOTICE that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Muskoka Lakes intends to designate the property, including lands and buildings, at the following municipal address (es) as a property (properties) of architectural and/or historical value or interest under Part IV of The Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter 0.18.

The Municipal Offices of the Township of Muskoka Lakes, 1 Bailey Street, in the Village of Port Carling, in the Township of Muskoka Lakes.

The former Port Carling schoolhouse on Bailey Street is recommended for designation for its historical, associative, contextual, and design values. The structure, built in 1906, consists of brick construction, which reflects the optimism and civic pride of the period following the formal creation of the village of Port Carling in 1896. The school was a prominent institution and it played a central role as young residents were educated in their community between 1906 and 1966.

The property also holds associative value as Ontario's 27<sup>th</sup> Lieutenant-Governor, James K. Bartleman, was a student at the school. During his term from 2002-2007, he championed various causes including literacy and education, frequently recognizing the formative influence of the Port Carling School.

The property also has design value due to adaptive re-use of the former school as municipal offices beginning in 1971. The recent additions add design value as they embody respect for contemporary guiding principles of conservation of historic properties. Respect for original location, materials, fabric and legibility have been maintained. The property has contextual value as it remains a landmark in the community, housing the Township's Council Chambers and core municipal services in modernized interior facilities.

From the above statements of our reasons for designation, the specific parts of the property we believe should be protected are:

- Red brick exterior
- Red brick envelope of 1906 and 1924 school structures with decorative brick detailing at original corners
- Original hipped roofline on school structure with simply decorated gables
- Stone foundations of the 1906 school
- Stone windowsills where original to the 1906 school
- Interior elements which reflect the building's use as a school
- White window trim, fascia, and gable ornament
- Brick infill that retains legibility of the fire hall conversion to offices
- Historical plaque in the Bailey Street facade

Any person may, within thirty days of the first publication of this notice, send by registered mail or deliver to the Clerk of the Township of Muskoka Lakes notice of his or her objection to the proposed designation together with a statement of the reasons for the objection and all relevant facts. If such a Notice of Objection is received, the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Muskoka Lakes shall refer the matter to the Conservation Review Board for a hearing.

Additional information relating to the proposed designation is available between 8:15 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. at the office of the Township of Muskoka Lakes, Port Carling, Ontario. 705-765-3156.

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Dated at the Township of Muskoka Lakes, Port Carling this day of, 20	109
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The former Glen Orchard Schoolhouse and cemetery, 1017 West White's Road, in the community of Glen Orchard, in the Township of Muskoka Lakes.

The former Glen Orchard Schoolhouse and cemetery on West White's Road are recommended for designation for historical, design, and associative reasons. The frame building was built in 1890 and is an excellent and well-preserved example of a one-room rural school which was a prominent institution and played a central role in community life. Later, the building served the community as a library and home to the Glen Orchard Women's Institute. The cemetery is also of value as a good example of a rural burial ground. Many decendents of pioneering families are interred here. The gravesites provide important insight into the lives of Glen Orchard's residents. The fenced, grassy setting creates a secure burial place for the dead, an area for monuments and markers that perpetuate the memory of inhabitants, and a cleared, green space for public use.

From the above statements of our reasons for designation, the specific parts of the property we believe should be protected are:

- · White, cove-siding clad wood envelope
- · Contrasting wooden fascia, corner boards, door and window trims
- · Gable roof with tin sheathing
- · Stone foundation
- · Four six-over-six sash windows
- · Original five-panel door with hardware at front entry
- · Interior elements which reflect the building's use as a school
- · Its location, setback from the road, orientation and dimensions
- Its monuments and markers with surviving inscriptions and varieties of styles
- · Its grassed open space and placement of gravesites.

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Dated at the Township of Muskoka Lakes, Port Carling this 12th day of February, 2009.

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