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**Office of the City Clerk and Solicitor**  
**Bureau du greffier et chef du contentieux**

File No. ACS2013-PAI-PGM-0121

28 November 2013

██████████ and ██████████  
593 Laurier Avenue West  
Ottawa, ON K1R 6K9

**Re: DESIGNATION OF THE ALEXANDER FLECK HOUSE, 593 LAURIER  
AVENUE WEST, UNDER PART IV OF THE ONTARIO HERITAGE ACT**

Dear ██████████ and ██████████:

This is to advise you that the Council of the City of Ottawa, at its meeting of 13 November 2013, approved the following recommendations as contained in Planning Committee Report 58A, Item 3.

**That Council issue a Notice of Intention to Designate the Alexander Fleck House as per the Statement of Cultural Heritage Value attached as REVISED Document 5.**

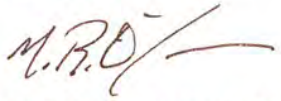
Enclosed is the Notice of Intention to Designate served according to the Ontario Heritage Act to be published on November 21, 2013 in all EMC community newspapers in the Ottawa area and on November 22, 2013 in Le Droit. . You will have 30 days from November 22, 2013 to file an objection to the designation.

Should you require further information, please contact Ms. Lesley Collins, Planner, Planning and Growth Management Department, at (613) 580-2424, extension 21856, or by e-mail at [Lesley.Collins@ottawa.ca](mailto:Lesley.Collins@ottawa.ca).

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Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "M. R. O'Connor", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

M. Rick O'Connor, CMO  
City Clerk and Solicitor

c.c. Ontario Heritage Trust, 10 Adelaide Street East, 3<sup>rd</sup> Flr., Toronto, ON M5C 1J3  
L. Collins, Coordinator, Heritage Services, Urban Services Unit (01-14)

Attach. (2)

## **Description of the Property**

The Alexander Fleck House is a two-and-a-half storey red brick residential building constructed in 1902 with a later two-storey addition on the western elevation. It is located at 593 Laurier Avenue West, at the corner of Laurier and Bronson Avenues, just outside the western border of Centretown in the City of Ottawa.

## **Heritage Value**

The Alexander Fleck House's cultural heritage value is demonstrated through its architectural significance as an excellent example of a Queen Anne Revival style house with a high degree of craftsmanship, its association with Alexander Fleck Jr. and the Fleck family, as well as its character as a community landmark.

The house is valuable as an excellent example of the Queen Anne Revival style which was popular from the 1880s to 1910. The house, with its steeply-pitched, cross-gable roof with tall chimneys, projecting bays, stone porch with gabled roof and wood columns, use of multiple materials and its geometric and floriated motifs is typical of the Queen Anne Revival style. Excellent craftsmanship can be seen in the complex roof lines and massing, the intricate brick and stone work, as well as the decorative stained glass.

Historical value is found in the building's association with Alexander Fleck Jr. who owned and operated Alexander Fleck Limited, Vulcan Iron Works on Wellington Street in the late 19<sup>th</sup> and early 20<sup>th</sup> century. The general machine shop and foundry which was founded by Fleck's father contributed to a number of important local projects such as the Cornwall Canal and Ottawa's street rail system. They held the castings contract for the Canada Atlantic Railway and manufactured machinery for the saw and paper mill industries. Alexander Jr. lived in this house from the time it was constructed in 1902 until his death in 1923. His widow, Maud Fleck, stayed in the house until 1940.

The Alexander Fleck house has contextual value as a neighbourhood landmark for its location at the corner of Laurier and Bronson Avenues and its prominent location on a limestone ridge.

## **Heritage Attributes**

Key attributes that embody the heritage value of the Fleck House as an excellent example of the Queen Anne Revival style with a high degree of craftsmanship include:

- Complex, steeply-pitched, cross-gable roof with half timbering and decorative brackets in the gable ends
- Tall chimneys with decorative chimney pots
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- Wooden oriel window
- Decorative brickwork
- Varied window shapes (round-headed, segmentally-arched, rectangular) and treatments (brick and stone lintels, sills, voussoirs)

- Use of multiple materials and finishes (brick, roughcast stucco, stone, half-timbering, wood shingles)
- Stone porch with gabled roof and wood columns
- Geometric and floriated motifs (decorative brick and wood work, stained glass window designs)
- Wide, plain vergeboard with curved cornice returns
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## OBJECTIONS

Any person wishing to object to this designation may do so by letter, outlining the reasons for the objection and any other relevant information. This letter must be received by the Clerk of the City of Ottawa either by registered mail or personally delivered within 30 days of the publication of this notice. When a notice of objection has been received, the Council of the City of Ottawa will refer the matter to the Conservation Review Board for a Hearing and a Report.