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CONSERVATION REVIEW BOARD

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**TAKE NOTICE** The Corporation of Loyalist Township proposes to designate lands and/or buildings of historical, cultural and/or architectural value as per Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, as amended.

#### **DESCRIPTION**

The property involved is described as being in Loyalist Township (formerly Township of Ernestown) in the County of Lennox and Addington and the Province of Ontario and being composed of Part of Lot 11, Concession 6, which fronts onto Newburgh Road of the said Township.

#### REASONS FOR DESIGNATION

The Switzerville Cemetery, in service from 1825 to 1957, is recommended for designation for historical and cultural reasons. This cemetery represents a community of families brought together through the Methodist denomination. The cemetery occupies a portion of the acre of land, on the west line of Lot 11, Concession 6, purchased from Christopher Switzer in 1825 for the use of a group of Methodists living on the neighbouring farms. The Switzer Chapel was erected on the land in 1826 and in 1892 was replaced by a brick church, itself demolished in 1988. Within the lot, the cemetery with headstones and family monuments is to the south and to the east of the church site. In the cemetery, approximately 95 stones survive. These are grouped by families and represent about 160 deaths, up to 49 of which were children. Family names represent some original Loyalist settler families, some later immigrants to Upper Canada from different origins, and finally generations born in the township.

Notable parts of this cemetery are some finely detailed carved headstones, some dating back as early as the mid-to late-1820's. Several are examples of the skills of township resident carvers named Moore who marked their workplace as MillCreek (1854) and Odessa (1860's). A towering oak tree is a significant presence in the landscape with the rows of stones distributed across the ground.

### **NOTICE OF OBJECTION**

AND TAKE NOTICE that any person or agency may object to this proposed designation by filing with the Clerk of The Corporation of Loyalist Township not later than the 10th day of July 2003 a Notice of Objection including reasons in support of the objection or in attendance of the Loyalist Township Council meeting dated the 14th day of July 2003 beginning at 7:00pm at the Odessa Municipal Office.

**ANY** questions on this matter should be directed to Murray Beckel, Planner, at (613) 352-3361.

DATED at the Loyalist Township this 23rd day of May 2003.

Brenda Hamilton, C.M.O. Clerk Loyalist Township 263 Main Street P.O. Box 70 Odessa, Ontario KOH 2H0

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