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NOTICE OF INTENTION TO DESIGNATE

Thirty Mountain Methodist Cemetery, Grimsby, ON

TAKE NOTICE that Grimsby Town Council, on November 18, 2013 resolved to issue a Notice of Intention to Designate CEMETERY; PT LT D, EAST GORE, North Grimsby ; GRIMSBY municipally known as Thirty Mountain Methodist Cemetery under Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. 18, as a property of cultural heritage value or interest.

Description of Property

The subject property is located at the corner of Thirty Road and Elm Tree Road East. The property consists of the fenced cemetery with grass cover, trees and grave markings.

Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest

The Thirty Mountain Methodist Cemetery is of cultural heritage value as an example of an early nineteenth century rural cemetery for followers of the Methodist Church. The legible grave markers in the cemetery show burials from 1817 to 1886. The gravesites found in the cemetery provide important insight into the lives of North Grimsby Township's inhabitants who were followers of the Methodist Church and reflect the key historical themes in the development of the Township during this period.

The rural cemetery is characterized by a natural setting that attracts and comforts the living, and creates a secure space for the dead. The use of markers and monuments perpetuates the memory of individuals.

The Thirty Mountain Methodist Cemetery has associational value as the last resting place of the Rev. Henry Ryan who was one of the earliest leaders of the Wesleyan Methodist Church in Upper Canada.

The location of the cemetery at an intersection and behind a school house gives it a landmark quality.

HERITAGE ATTRIBUTES TO BE DESIGNATED

The following architectural attributes have been determined to contribute to the heritage value of the building and constitute part of the *Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest for Thirty Mountain Methodist Cemetery*:

- The location and size of the cemetery;
- The monuments, sculptures and structures;
- The rural setting, including mature trees and fenced area;
- The original plan and placement of the gravesites;
- The original grave markers and their surviving inscriptions;
 - The variety of styles, materials and symbolism represented in the markers and monuments;
 - The range of size and sophistication of markers and monuments, from modest to elaborate; and



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- The marker of Rev. Henry Ryan (1775-1833) a founder of Canadian Methodism.

OBJECTIONS

Any objection to this designation must be filed no later than January 23, 2014. Objections should be directed to Hazel Soady-Easton, Town Clerk, P.O. Box 159, 160 Livingston Avenue, Grimsby ON, L3M 4G3.

MORE INFORMATION

Any inquiries may be directed to Janice Hogg, Planner I at 905-945-9634 ext 2109 or by email jhogg@grimsby.ca

Last date to file Notice of Objection: January 23, 2014

Hazel Soady-Easton, Town Clerk