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**IN THE MATTER OF THE ONTARIO HERITAGE ACT
R.S.O. 1990 CHAPTER 0.18 AND
4 WELLESLEY PLACE
CITY OF TORONTO, PROVINCE OF ONTARIO**

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO DESIGNATE

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Take notice that the Council of the City of Toronto, on the 11th, 12th and 13th of April, 2000, decided to designate the lands and buildings known municipally as 4 Wellesley Place (Mary Perram House) (Downtown).

Short Statement of Reasons for Designation

The property at 4 Wellesley Place is designated for architectural and historical reasons. The house was built in 1877 and first occupied by Mary Perram, a widow. Commander Frederick Law, a naval officer, architect and Official Secretary to the Lieutenant Governors of Ontario, was a subsequent owner. The Sisters of Service, the first English-speaking Roman Catholic women's order in Canada, operated a hostel on the site from 1923 until 1950.

The Mary Perram House is an excellent example of late 19th century residential design, blending Italianate and Gothic Revival features. Constructed of brick, the building is trimmed with brick and stone. The house is organized in three sections that are covered by gable and hipped gable roofs with slate shingles, gabled dormers, a brick chimney and, on the east and south sides, gables with decorative woodwork. Important features on the principal (east) façade are the brick quoins, the round-arched window openings, the single-storey bay window, and the round-arched entrance containing paired wood doors and a stained glass transom. Round-headed window openings are found on all other walls, mixing with flat-headed door and window openings on the two rear sections of the building.

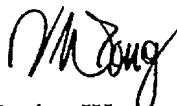
The first-floor reception hall, drawing room, dining room, kitchen and pantry, and the second-floor landing and northeast bedroom, are identified as significant interior areas. The interior elements are described in detail in the Heritage Property Report (Long Statement of Reasons for Designation).

The property at 4 Wellesley Place is located on the west side of Wellesley Place between Wellesley Street East and Wellesley Lane. Constructed in 1877, the Mary Perram House is an excellent example of period design with significant interior features. The property at 4 Wellesley Place is important in context with the Rupert Simpson House at 2 Wellesley Place and with the adjoining properties at 515 and 519 Jarvis Street.

Heritage Toronto's Heritage Property Report (Long Statement of Reasons for Designation) respecting the property is available for viewing at the City Clerk's Division at City Hall and the offices of Heritage Toronto.

Notice of an objection to the designation may be served on the City Clerk, c/o Frances Pritchard, Committee Administrator, Toronto Community Council, 4th Floor, West Tower, City Hall, 100 Queen Street West, Toronto M5H 2N2 within thirty days of the 26th of April, 2000, setting out the reason(s) for the objection and all relevant facts.

Dated at Toronto this 26th day of April, 2000.



Novina Wong
City Clerk



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