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Thorold

May 9, 2012

ONTARIO HERITAGE TRUST

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Mr. Jim Leonard,
Registrar,
Ontario Heritage Trust
Heritage Programs and Operation
10 Adelaide Street East
Toronto, ON M5C 1J3

Dear Mr. Leonard:

Re: Notice of Intention to Designate
Ontario Heritage Act
The Old Fire Hall Bell
located at 16 Towpath Street
City of Thorold, Ontario

Please find enclosed herewith a copy of a Notice of Intention to Designate the above noted property in accordance with Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter O.18. This notice will be published in Niagara This Week on May 10, 2012.

You have been notified as required under the provisions of Section 29(3) of the Act.

I trust this is in order.

Yours truly,

Adele Arbour, MCIP, RPP
Director of Planning & Building Services

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Attach.

cc: Heritage Thorold LACAC
Susan Daniels, City Clerk

City of Thorold

P.O. Box 1044, 3540 Schmon Parkway, Thorold, Ontario L2V 4A7

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Tel: 905-227-6613

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO DESIGNATE

IN THE MATTER OF THE ONTARIO HERITAGE ACT, R.S.O. 1990, CHAPTER 0.18 AND
IN THE MATTER OF THE LANDS AT THE FOLLOWING LOCATION IN THE CITY OF
THOROLD, IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.

TAKE NOTICE that the Council of the Corporation of the City of Thorold intends to designate the Old Fire Hall Bell located at Fire Station 1 on the east side of Towpath Street between Albert Street West and Sullivan Avenue, as a object of cultural heritage value or interest under Part IV of The Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 2005 Chapter 0.18, Section 29.

REASONS FOR THE PROPOSED DESIGNATION:

The Old Fire Hall Bell
16 Towpath Street
Plan 11 Pt Bd Works Land
Thorold, Ontario

Cultural Heritage Value

This brass fire bell has been an important part of downtown Thorold since it was erected in 1879 to the Old Fire Hall on Albert Street West. It served the community until 1964 when it was relocated by the Protection Hose Company to the Towpath Fire Station. The bell has been an emblem and important part of the history of Thorold and of the Protection Hose Co.

It was purchased in 1878 from the Meneely Bell Company of Troy, New York – a foundry which was responsible for nearly a century, for producing thousands of bells used by civic and religious authorities throughout North America. The bell was used to summon firefighters to the fire hall for any emergencies with which they were to deal.

The Protection Hose Company has earned respect over the years, is steeped in history, and their story, speaks to tradition, valuing the past, perfection, and not only protecting the community, but sharing with them.

Thorold's Fire Department has always been a source of pride for its citizens and the fire bell has not only played a big role over the years in helping to protect our City and its citizens, but has become a symbol of contribution, courage and excellence displayed by our fire fighters in the City of Thorold.

Further information respecting the proposed designation is available in the Planning and Building Services Department during regular office hours, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday to Friday, 227-6613, 3540 Schmon Parkway, Thorold.

Any person may object to the proposed designation within thirty (30) days after the date of the publication of the Notice of Intention by serving on the Clerk of the Corporation of the City of Thorold a notice of objection setting out the reason for the objection and all relevant facts. The last day for filing objections will be **Saturday, June 9, 2012**. All objections received within the aforementioned time period will be referred to the Heritage Conservation Review Board for a hearing and report.

DATED at the City of Thorold this 10th day of May, 2012

Susan Daniels, City Clerk
Corporation of the City of Thorold
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Thorold, Ontario L2V 4A7