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IN THE MATTER OF THE ONTARIO HERITAGE ACT,
R.S.O. 1990, CHAPTER 0.18
AND IN THE MATTER OF THE BUILDING KNOWN AS
13 EVERGREEN DRIVE
IN THE CITY OF GUELPH,
IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.



NOTICE OF INTENTION TO DESIGNATE

TO: Ontario Heritage Foundation
The Ontario Heritage Centre
10 Adelaide Street East
Toronto, ON M5C 1J3

AND:

13 Evergreen Drive Guelph, ON N1G 2M7 - 2 -05- 2002

TAKE NOTICE THAT the Council of the Corporation of the City of Guelph intends to designate 13 Evergreen Drive as a building of architectural and historical value and interest under Part IV of The Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter 0.18.

STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR DESIGNATION

The Pagani House is one of the best examples in Guelph of Modern design. Architect Richard Pagani designed it as his own home in 1961. He worked closely with his father, Dario, one of Guelph's leading contractors, and the Fir Plywood Institute of Canada in experimenting with bent plywood to create the dwelling's distinctive barrel vaulted roof. The structural engineering was done by the Toronto Engineering firm of Paul Halsall, and the mechanical and electrical services were designed by the Kitchener firm, Walter, Fedy.

Richard Pagani was born and raised in Guelph and studied in architecture at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology in Boston. His work in Guelph was characterized by artistic creativity and innovation. He designed a number of schools such as College Avenue Public School and St. Bernadette School and several houses in the fashionable modern style. His best known work includes the Omark (Blount) headquarters at the corner of Edinburgh and Woodlawn Roads, the 1959 Guelph Police Station, and the Westminster-St. Paul's Presbyterian Church on Victoria Road.

In keeping with Modernist design principles, the Pagani House features open space planning. Pagani wanted to move away from traditional house design by opening up areas and giving a sense of space. The large front hall leads to a split-level living area where the feeling of space is accentuated by floor-to-ceiling windows looking to the private rear yard and gardens. A common design for the maple cupboards and cabinets (with stainless steel handles) was used throughout the house. The hanging light fixtures in the front hall and living rooms were designed by Pagani.

The owners at the time of the dwelling's designation, have effectively restored the Modern spirit by removing a wall enclosing the dining room, which had been added by previous owners, and restoring walls which had received substantial water damage.

The designation covers the entire exterior (with the exception of the 1989 addition to the north) including the barrel vaulted roof, the brick-and-glass walls, and the continuous flat rooflines of both the original house and 1989 addition. The designation also covers certain elements of the interior of the house, including the open space concept of the front hall and the two main floors of living space, the maple cupboards and cabinets throughout the house including the stainless steel handles, and the hanging light fixtures in the front hall and living rooms.

Any person may, before the 4th day of June, 2002, send by registered mail or deliver to the Clerk of the City of Guelph, notice of objection to this proposed designation, together with a statement of reasons for the objection and all relevant factors. If a notice of objection is received, the Council of the City of Guelph shall refer the matter to the Conservation Review Board for a hearing.

DATED at Guelph, Ontario, this 1st day of May, 2002.

Lois Giles, City Clerk City Hall, 59 Carden Street Guelph ON N1H 3A1 Orthodor Hos