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Development Services Department Planning Services

July 28, 2009

Ontario Heritage Trust 10 Adelaide Street East Toronto, ON M5C 1J3 ONTARIO HERITAGE TRUST

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Re: Notice of the intent to designate 3265 Simcoe Street North, Oshawa to the Ontario Heritage Trust pursuant to Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act

Pursuant to the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, c O.18, please take note that the Council of the Corporation of the City of Oshawa intends to designate the following property as a property of cultural heritage value or interest pursuant to the provisions of the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O 1990, Chapter O.18, Part IV.

Columbus Community Centre 3265 Simcoe Street North City of Oshawa

## Reasons for the Proposed Designation

The Columbus Community Centre was opened October 15, 1859 and was originally built as the East Whitby Township Hall and served as a meeting hall and township offices. It is recommended for designation for architectural, contextual and historical reasons. The Township Hall was also used for classrooms during the 1930's and 50's when the local schools became overcrowded. The building was originally built of brick with the stucco finish being added in 1967.

The revival tower is Gothic in style and it is believed that the bell in the cairn situated in front of the hall was originally located in the tower. In 1973 the Village of Columbus was amalgamated with the City of Oshawa and the Township Hall was used as a community hall. Significant heritage features protected by the designation include the community hall and tower and the bell and historical cairn. The designation applies to the entire property containing the Columbus Community Centre located at 3265 Simcoe Street North.

The full particulars of the Reasons for Designation for 3265 Simcoe Street North, including a list of features to be protected, is available for inspection in the office of the City Clerk between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

ANY PERSON MAY, ON OR BEFORE THE 28<sup>th</sup> DAY OF AUGUST, 2009, SEND BY REGISTERED MAIL OR DELIVER TO THE CITY CLERK, Notice of Objection to the proposed designation, together with a statement of their reasons for the objection and all relevant facts. If a Notice of Objection is received, the Council of the City of Oshawa will refer the matter to the Conservation Review Board for a Hearing and a report.

If you have any questions, please contact Tom Goodeve, Manager of Policy at the address shown, by email at <a href="mailto:tgoodeve@oshawa.ca">tgoodeve@oshawa.ca</a> or by phone at 905-436-5636 ext. 2307.

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