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Ontario Heritage Foundation 10 Adelaide Street East Toronto, ON M5C 1J3 DEC 0 1 1998 CONSERVATION REVIEW BOARD

Dear Sir/Madam:

## Re: Notice of Intention to Designate the Following Properties: 5017 Victoria Avenue, 4267 Bridge Street, 6145 Corwin Avenue Niagara Falls, Ontario

Please be advised, the Council of the Corporation of the City of Niagara Falls intends to proceed with the designation of the above-noted lands and buildings as properties of historic and architectural value and interest under the terms of the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990. The enclosed notice provides information on the significance of the property and the manner in which objection to the designation may be served. This public notice is being published in the local newspaper in accordance with the requirements of the Ontario Heritage Act on Saturday, November 14, 1998.

Should you have any questions or require further information, please contact the Planning and Development Department.

Yours truly,

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Alex Herlovitch Deputy Director of Planning & Development Ext. 4231

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- c: E. C. Wagg, City Clerk
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# NOTICE OF INTENTION TO DESIGNATE

TAKE NOTICE that the Council of the Corporation of the City of Niagara Falls intends to designate the lands and buildings known municipally as:

5017 Victoria Avenue 4267 Bridge Street 6145 Corwin Avenue

as properties of historic value and architectural interest under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990.

### HERITAGE SIGNIFICANCE

Carnegie Library (Community Resource Centre) - 5017 Victoria Avenue being Part of Block 6, Plan 35, New Plan 1002.

The building was erected in 1910 as the first permanent library in the City of Niagara Falls. The library was funded through a grant by Andrew Carnegie and is one of only 111 such buildings erected in the Province. The building is the design of William Nichols, a local architect, who achieved Provincial recognition. The design of the building is based on the Neo-Classical Revival Style popular around the turn of the 20<sup>th</sup> century. Constructed of two colours of brick, the building exhibits classical motifs of egg and dart, bead and reel, raised quoins, modillion brackets and closed gable pediment. The roof features a built-in cornice gutter. The building is symmetrically arranged and retains its original windows including leaded glass transoms.

CNR (VIA) Railway Station - 4267 Bridge Street being Part of Lot 92, former Township of Stamford.

The building was erected in 1879 by the Grand Trunk Railway at the height of rail travel in the Province. The building is constructed of red brick in the Gothic Revival Style. The window and door openings feature pointed arches associated with the Gothic style. The openings are emphasized through the use of limestone stills, spring blocks and keystones. Three decorative bands of brickwork adorn the exterior at the first and second floor window sill levels and at the mid-point between the two floors. Under the eaves, the original carved brackets are intact. The original gingerbread trim, at the gables, and the small roof dormers with trefoil vents have been removed. The symmetry of the original design has been lost due to the removal of a large portion of the easterly wing. The building remains an excellent example of the Gothic Revival Style and a monument to the railway age. It served as the main gateway for many early tourists, dignitaries and royalty who have visited the City. The Station is designated Federally as a heritage structure.

Egerton Morden House - 6145 Corwin Avenue being Part 1, Reference Plan 59R10095, Part of Lot 175, Registered Plan 64 and Part of Lot 147, former Township of Stamford.

The Egerton Morden House was erected in 1875 in an eclectic mix of Italianate and Stickley Styles popular in the last quarter of the 19<sup>th</sup> century and corresponds with the picturesque "movement". The house is a rare example of board and batten construction. The house retains its ear mould window trim, patterned wood shingles and ornamental roof brackets at the bay window. Egerton Morden was a well known fruit grower and nursery man in the City. He was an early Reeve of Stamford Township. For a time, the house was owned by his son, James Morden, a prominent educator in Niagara Falls. Originally, the house faced Dorchester Road, it has been relocated to face Corwin Avenue on a part of the original Morden land holdings. The original colours of the exterior have been restored as was the front entranceway.

Full reports on each of the above properties are available through the Planning and Development Department.

Notice of Objection to the designation of any of the above noted properties may be served on the City Clerkwithin 30 days after the date of this notice.

For further information regarding the proposed designation, please contact Alex Herlovitch, Planning and Development Department at 356-7521, ext. 4231.

Dated this 14th day of November, 1998.

E. C. Wagg City Clerk