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CITY of STRATFORD

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IN THE MATTER OF THE ONTARIO HERITAGE ACT **SECTION 29, R.S.O. 1990, CHAPTER 0.18**

And in the matter of the lands and premises
at the following municipal address in the
City of Stratford in the Province of Ontario

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO DESIGNATE

TO: [REDACTED]
98 Norman Street
STRATFORD ON N5A 5R7

AND TO: Ontario Heritage Foundation
10 Adelaide Street East
TORONTO ON M5C 1J3

Ministry of Citizenship, Culture and Recreation
77 Bloor Street West
Cultural Programs Branch, Heritage Properties
TORONTO ON M7A 2R9

TAKE NOTICE that Council of the Corporation of the City of Stratford intends to designate the property at the following municipal address as a property of architectural and historical value or interest under Section 29, of the *Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter 0.18*:

98 Norman Street, Stratford – Reasons for Designation

This two-storey residence built in 1876 is of the Italianate style, reflected in its buff-coloured brickwork, bay windows and brackets. This building breaks away from the more formal and simplified plan typical of this style. The property, situated on an amply-sized lot, is set back a bit further from the street edge. It command a grand position in the immediate neighbourhood and adds a distinctive and varied architectural rhythm to the streetscape.

Reasons for Designation on the exterior of the building include the hipped roof with deck, and the large-paned sash-type bay and box windows, most of which are original, as are the storms and shutters. The projecting gables are enhanced with a boxed cornice with a return and a small ornamental semicircular window is positioned below each peak. The broad overhanging eaves are supported with brackets. The cornice brackets are particularly striking due to their highly decorated and paired profile. The cornice is additionally edged below with heavy dimensioned raised panel friezeboards. This dwelling has the "Stratford Porch" with the open side veranda. While not thought to be original to the house, it is sympathetic to the building.

The enclosed upper deck was added in the 1920's or 1930's and is also sympathetic to the design.

Reasons for designation on the interior of the building include the elegant curvilinear staircase which divides at a common landing, separating the front from the back of the house. The front parlour fireplace is elaborately detailed and has a white marble hearth and cast iron insert. The doors connecting the parlour and dining room have a unique three-panel design. Much of the original deep-set moulding exists and surrounds most door and window openings. Baseboard and ceiling edge moulding is handsomely detailed, the base moulding measures nearly one foot. A number of the original radiators remain.

If any person wishes to object to the proposed designation, a Notice of Objection, together with a statement of the reasons for the objection and all relevant facts, must be served on the Clerk of the City of Stratford NO LATER THAN 4:30 p.m. on May 31st, 1999. The *Ontario Heritage Act* provides that where a notice of objection has been served, the Council shall refer the matter to the Conservation Review Board for a hearing.

DATED at the City of Stratford
this 1st day of May, 1999.


Joan L. Thomson – Acting City Clerk