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August 9th, 2018

Via Registered Mail

Ms. Erin Semande
Ontario Heritage Trust
Heritage Programs and Operation
10 Adelaide Street East
Toronto, Ontario M5C 1J3

ONTARIO HERITAGE TRUST

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Dear Ms. Semande,

RE: Notice of Intention to Designate a Property to be of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest

**15216 Yonge Street
The Oddfellows Block
Part of Lot 13, W/S Yonge Street, Plan 9 as in R271931, except easement therein, Town of Aurora, Regional Municipality of York, being all of PIN 03652-0051 (LT)**

Please find attached a Notice of Intention to Designate, which includes a statement explaining the Cultural Heritage Value or Interest and a description of the heritage attributes of the above-noted property.

Pursuant to Section 29(3) of the *Ontario Heritage Act*, this Notice will be published in a newspaper having general circulation in the municipality (The Auroran) on August 9th, 2018.

Yours sincerely,

Michael De Rond
Town Clerk

Attach.

c. Marco Ramunno, Planning and Development Services

**NOTICE OF INTENTION
TO DESIGNATE A BUILDING OF
CULTURAL HERITAGE VALUE OR INTEREST**

TAKE NOTICE THAT the Council of The Corporation of the Town of Aurora intends to designate the following property as a property of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest pursuant to the provisions of Section 29 of the *Ontario Heritage Act*, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter O.18, as amended. A brief statement of reasons is included.

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Description of Property

The property known municipally as 15216 Yonge Street contains a 2 storey brick commercial building located in the heart of Aurora's historic downtown on the west side Yonge Street.

Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest

In 1887, a fire destroyed many commercial structures on the west side of Yonge Street. The Odd Fellows block was built in conjunction with the Clift Block to the north and the Andrews Block to the south. The building was constructed in 1887 for the local lodge of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, an international fraternal order, who have owned the building since its construction. The second storey served as their meeting space and the lower floor Yonge Street frontage was rented out to various retail outlets, including: the post office, a furniture store, a tailor, clothing store, a decorating shop, grocer, and a variety of druggists.

Description of Heritage Attributes

Important to the preservation of the property are the original key attributes that express its value, which include:

Exterior Elements

- *flat roof, brick work, corbels, parapet and show windows;*
- *a brick pilaster visually breaks the second floor frontage, including the parapet, into two parts;*
- *the parapet is further divided by shallow brick corbelling, giving the impression of four bays in the faced;*
- *fenestration on the front elevation at the second floor level features six 1 over 1 sash windows, oriented left to right by one single window, two double windows and one single window.*

DETAILED REASONS FOR THE PROPOSED DESIGNATION CAN BE OBTAINED BY CONTACTING THE UNDERSIGNED.

Pursuant to Section 29(5) of the *Ontario Heritage Act*, any person may, before 4:30 p.m. on the **10th day of September 2018**, (within 30 days of the publication of this notice) send by registered mail or deliver to the Town Clerk, Notice of Objection to the proposed designation, together with a statement setting out the reasons for the objection and all relevant facts. If a Notice of Objection is received, the Council of the Town of Aurora will refer the matter to the Conservation Review Board for a hearing and a report.

Further information respecting the proposed designation is available from the Town Clerk's Office upon request.

DATED at Aurora this August 9th, 2018

Michael De Rond, Town Clerk, Town of Aurora, 100 John West Way, Box 1000, Aurora, ON, L4G 6J1