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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 LANDS AND PREMISES KNOWN MUNICIPALLY AS **176 JOHN STREET EAST (LOT 144 RCP 692 NIAGARA; TOWN OF NIAGARA-ON-THE-LAKE)**, IN THE TOWN OF NIAGARA-ON-THE-LAKE IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO DESIGNATE

AUG 15 2018

TO: THE ONTARIO HERITAGE TRUST, 10 ADELAIDE STREET EAST,
TORONTO, ONTARIO, M5C 1J3

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TAKE NOTICE that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Niagara-on-the-Lake intends to designate the property, including the lands and building known municipally as **176 JOHN STREET EAST** as a property of cultural heritage value or interest under Part IV of The Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter 0.18.

Description of Property

The property is located on John Street East and generally follows a rectangular property line. The property is accessed from John Street East through large red brick pillars gate which frame the entrance. There are multiple structures associated with the property including the main residence (Randwood), a wooden gazebo, and a modern brick pavilion. There are numerous landscaping features of note including the wooden and stone foot bridges, stone pathways, water fountain and landscaping features.

Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest

The property known as 176 John Street East has cultural heritage value or interest for its design and physical values, its historical/associate values, and its contextual values.

It has physical/design value because of its main residence which is a representative example of an evolved summer residence that has evidence of multiple architectural styles, such as Second Empire style, Italianate and Neo-Classical features. It also have physical/design value for its concrete, brick and stone wall found along John Street East which is a rare local example of an intact large wall which delineates the original estate boundary.

The property has historical/associative values due to its many historical associations. The property has direct associations with Hon. Peter Russel and William Dickson who were early owners of the property. It is also direct associations with the Rand Family who originally kept the property as a summer home. George Rand I purchased the property in 1910 and began modifying the existing residence and building many new

structures on the estate grounds. The property remained in the Rand Family until 1976. In addition, the property is associated with the Devonian Group (now part of the Devonian Group of Charitable Foundations) and The Niagara Institute (now part of the Conference Board of Canada) which used the property for conference, seminars and as a place of teaching. The Niagara Institute was established by Calvin Rand in 1971 and they used the property from 1980 until 1993. Lastly, the property is associated with Canadian landscape architect team Howard Dunington and Lorrie Dunington-Grubb. The couple designed and worked on various areas and landscapes on the property. The couple were pioneers and well respected in the Canadian landscape architect community. The property also has historical/associative value as it demonstrates or reflects their work and ideas.

The property has contextual value as it is important in defining, maintaining or supporting the character of an area. The large concrete, brick and stone walls that front the property the property are important in defining the character of the John Street area. The view from the entrance gate on John Street East showing the long central axis, lily pond and main residence also is important in defining the character of the area. It is physically, functionally, visually or historically linked to its surroundings. The property was original part of the larger estate known as Randwood, which was owned by the Rand family from 1919 until 1980. It forms part of a larger significant cultural heritage landscape that includes all the grounds of the original estate. The property is visually and historically linked to the surrounding properties. The property is a local landmark.

Description of Key Heritage Attributes

The cultural heritage value or interest associated with the property is represented in following heritage attributes:

The property:

- The long central axis from John Street East;
- The Victorian wooden gazebo;
- The metal entrance gate framed with red brick pillars;
- The surviving elements of the Dunington-Grubb landscape including the formal stone path, sunken lily pond with sculpture, arched stone bridges; and
- The concrete and stone wall which extends along John Street East.

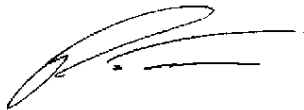
Main residence:

- The three-storey brick building with Second Empire, Italianate and Neo-classical features with its form, scale, and massing; and
- The mansard roof and enclosed brick tower.

Further information respecting the proposed designation is available from Planning Staff. Any person may, not later than the 17th day of September, 2018, send by registered mail or deliver to the Clerk of the Town of Niagara-on-the-Lake notice of their objection to the proposed designation, together with a statement of the reasons for the

objection and all relevant facts. If such a Notice of Objection is received the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Niagara-on-the-Lake shall refer the matter to the Conservation Review Board for a hearing.

Dated at the Town of Niagara-on-the-Lake the 15th day of August, 2018.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Peter Todd', is written above a horizontal line.

Peter Todd, Clerk