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ONTARIO HERITAGE TRUST

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

Dear Sir/Madam:

Re: Notice of Intention for Designation under the Ontario Heritage Act
Backhouse Homestead – 1267 Second Concession Rd, Port Rowan, ON

Please be advised that the Council of The Corporation of Norfolk County intends to designate the Backhouse Homestead located on the property municipally known as 1267 Second Concession Rd, Port Rowan, ON, legally described as Walsingham Con 2 Pt Lots 16 to 18 and RP 37R9636 Parts 1 and 2., under the Ontario Heritage Act.

Enclosed please find a copy of Staff Report DCS 20-05 with an accompanying Heritage Designation Report which outlines the heritage attributes of the residence and the reasons for its designation.

Also, attached please find a copy of the Notice of Intention for Designation to be published in the Norfolk and Tilsonberg News on August 19, 2020.

A Notice of Objection to the designation may be served on the Clerk no later than the 18th day of September, 2020.

If you have any questions, please contact the undersigned.

Yours truly,

Andrew Grozelle, MPA
County Clerk

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ONTARIO HERITAGE ACT

Notice of Intention to Designate

The Backhouse Homestead

TAKE NOTICE THAT, the Council of The Corporation of Norfolk County intends to designate the Backhouse Homestead located on Walsingham Con 2 Pt Lots 16 to 18 and RP 37R9636 Parts 1 and 2 municipally known as 1267 Second Concession Rd, Port Rowan, ON, as being of cultural heritage value or interest.

The present day Backhouse Homestead (circa mid 1850s), sits up on the hill above Spring Creek overlooking the Backhouse Grist mill (1795), designated a national historic site of Canada, in the Backhouse Historic site, formerly the family farm. It is the second home built on the site by the Backhouse family where they lived until about 1956 when the entire property was sold to the former Big Creek Conservation Authority. In 1971, the BCCA became the Long Point Region Conservation Authority. The building was home to the Long Point Bird Observatory for a number of years and is now a museum at the Backhouse Historic site.

Further information respecting the proposed designation is available by emailing clerks@norfolkcounty.ca or calling 519-426-5870 ext. 1274.

Any person who objects to the proposed designation may serve on the Clerk of Norfolk County not later than the 19th day of September, 2020, a notice of objection setting out the reason for objection and all relevant facts.

Contact: Andrew Grozelle, Norfolk County Clerk, Ext. 1228
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Notice dated: August 18, 2020