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December 11, 2023

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Please find enclosed a Notice of Intention to Designate for the property known municipally as 4 May Street, Village of Fenelon Falls.

The last date for objections is January 9, 2024. If no objections are filed by 4:00 p.m. on that date with the clerk of the municipality, Council will proceed to pass a bylaw designating the property at the next available Council meeting.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

Emily Turner
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Notice: Intention to Designate Property under the Ontario Heritage Act

Take Notice that the Council of the City of Kawartha Lakes, on September 26, 2023, passed a resolution of intent to designate the following property under Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, c.18, as a property of cultural heritage value or interest:

4 May Street, Village of Fenelon Falls
PT LT 2-3 PL 51; PT LT 4 W/S COLBORNE ST, 5 W/S COLBORNE ST PL 17
FENELON PT 1 57R8290, T/W R378796, R411859

Statement of Reasons for Designation

Design and Physical Value

4 May Street has design and physical value as a unique example of a late nineteenth century livery stable in Fenelon Falls. Known as the McArthur Livery Stable, for its association with the adjacent McArthur House Hotel, the building was constructed as a utilitarian structure to house horses, tack, and carriages for the use of both locals and visitors to the community. Architecturally, the building is plain in its execution, but is unique in the community for its use of stone as the primary construction material where the majority of livery stables were typically constructed with wood or brick. It also appears to have been the largest of the community's late nineteenth century stables.

Historical and Associative Value

4 May Street has historical and associative value as a late nineteenth century livery stable serving the community of Fenelon Falls. Livery stables were an integral aspect of the nineteenth century urban environment and the erection of the subject property, known as the McArthur Livery Stables, in the community in 1883 yields information regarding their important role in the history of transportation in Victorian communities. Similarly, the property has direct historical associations with the late nineteenth century development of Fenelon Falls which reached the height of its nineteenth century prosperity in the 1870s and 1880s, around when this property was constructed. The property forms a key part of that development which was marked by increased commercial building stock and expansion of existing businesses in Fenelon Falls. It also has direct historical associations with local businessman and politician Joseph McArthur, its original owner, who was a prominent member of Fenelon Falls' late nineteenth century business community and is



widely regarded as a major player in the development of the village during this time.

Contextual Value

4 May Street has contextual value as a long-standing local landmark. Known locally as the McArthur Livery Stable, in recognition of its original use, the property is architecturally distinct and is located directly adjacent to Lock 34, making it a highly recognizable and locally significant structure. Similarly, it is historically and physically linked to its surroundings as part of a large wave of development in Fenelon Falls throughout the 1880s, which included the construction of the canal through the village and of the lock; the stone for the structure came from the construction of the canal. Similarly, it supports and maintains the historic small town character of downtown Fenelon Falls.

Further information respecting the proposed designation is available at the City's Economic Development Department. Any objection to this designation must be filed within 30 days of December 11, 2023. Objections should be directed to: Cathie Richie, Clerk, City of Kawartha Lakes, P.O. Box 9000, 26 Francis Street, Lindsay, ON K9V 5R8. Objections may be filed electronically at clerks@kawarthalakes.ca.

Any inquiries may be directed to:

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