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Dear _____,

RE: Designation of 692 Echo Drive, under Part IV of the *Ontario Heritage Act*

This letter is to advise you that Ottawa City Council, at its meeting of November 22, 2023, approved the following recommendation in respect of the above-noted item:

That Council issue a Notice of Intention to Designate 692 Echo Drive under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act according to the Statement of Cultural Heritage Value attached as Document 5.

A copy of the complete report in this matter, as well as the Disposition/Minutes of the City Council meeting of November 22, 2023, can be found on the City's website at ottawa.ca/agendas.

Enclosed is the Notice of Intention to Designate, served according to the *Ontario Heritage Act*, to be published on Ottawa.ca/HeritageNotices. You will have 30 days from the publication date, until December 31, 2023, to file an objection to the designation.

Should you wish to object to the designation, you may do so by submitting an objection in writing, outlining the reasons for the objection and any other relevant information. The letter must be received by the Clerk of the City of Ottawa within 30 days after the publication of this notice.

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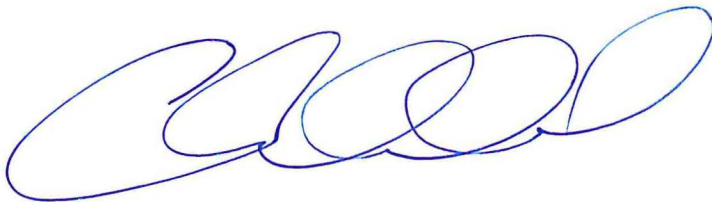
The letter can be sent by registered mail to the City Clerk at 110 Laurier Avenue West, Ottawa, Ontario, K1P 1J1, or can be delivered in person, by appointment, at the following coordinates:

David White, Interim City Clerk
c/o Mélanie Blais, Acting Committee Coordinator
110 Laurier Avenue West, Ottawa, Ontario K1P 1J1, mail code 01-71

To make an appointment, please contact Mélanie Blais, Acting Committee Coordinator at (613) 580-2424, ext. 27005, or at melanie.blais@ottawa.ca. When an objection has been received, City Council will consider the objection including all relevant information within 90 days after the end of the objection period. After consideration of the objection, Council may decide to withdraw the Notice of Intention to Designate or to pass a by-law designating the property under the *Ontario Heritage Act*. Should Council pass a by-law to designate the property, there will be further correspondence from the City on how you may appeal this decision to the Ontario Land Tribunal.

Should you require further information, please contact Ashley Kotarba, Heritage Planner, at (613) 580-2424 x23582 or by email at ashley.kotarba@ottawa.ca.

Regards,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, consisting of several loops and a long horizontal stroke.

Deputy Clerk for David White
Interim City Clerk

c.c. Lesley Collins, City of Ottawa (lesley.collins@ottawa.ca)
Ashley Kotarba, City of Ottawa (ashley.kotarba@ottawa.ca)
Registrar, Ontario Heritage Trust (registrar@heritagetrust.on.ca)

Encl.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO DESIGNATE 692 ECHO DRIVE AS A PROPERTY OF CULTURAL HERITAGE VALUE OR INTEREST, PURSUANT TO SECTION 29 (3) OF THE *ONTARIO HERITAGE ACT*, R.S.O. 1990, c. O.18

DATED AND PUBLISHED at the City of Ottawa this 1st day of December 2023.

TAKE NOTICE that the City of Ottawa, on November 22nd, 2023 established its intention to designate 692 Echo Drive under Part IV of the *Ontario Heritage Act* for its cultural heritage value.

DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY

The building at 692 Echo Drive is a two-and-a-half storey house clad in red brick and stucco located on the south side of the Rideau Canal. The property has frontage on both Echo Drive and Riverdale Avenue.

STATEMENT OF CULTURAL HERITAGE VALUE OR INTEREST

Constructed in 1913, the building at 692 Echo Drive is a representative example of Edwardian Classicism, which was popular in Canada between 1900 and 1930. The architectural features of the building which are characteristic of Edwardian Classicism include its symmetrical front façade with a gable over the doorway, a side gable roof, and large front porch with columns extending across the front of the building. The exaggerated Edwardian features of the design, such as the large size of the columns, porch, windows, and dormers, make it an uncommon example of the style in Ottawa.

The house at 692 Echo Drive is directly associated with Samuel T. Bastedo, a well-known public servant and the first resident of the house beginning in 1913. Bastedo served as private secretary to former premier Sir Oliver Mowat, was the Deputy of Minister of Fisheries in Ontario and held a prominent role as the Superintendent for the Department of Annuities. Bastedo was a champion of the short-lived but influential Canadian Annuities program which was the first federal program established to encourage Canadians to prepare for their retirement through the purchase of government annuities. Though the program did not ultimately succeed in its goals, it marked a shift in the development of social legislation in Canada and led to the later development of the Canada Pension Plan.

The property at 692 Echo Drive has associative value as part of an historic residential neighbourhood which was inhabited by members of Ottawa's early 20th century elite. The land between Bank Street and Riverdale Avenue was subdivided in 1911; lots in this area were larger than those to the south which had been subdivided earlier, reflecting the development of this street as an affluent enclave. Forming the southern edge of the Rideau Canal, near the Bank Street bridge, the property yields information about the growth of the city in the early 20th century and the expansion of neighbourhoods outside of the downtown core.

The property has contextual value as an important part of an intact historic streetscape located on the south side of Echo Drive between Bank Street and Riverdale Avenue. This property is important in defining the character of residential development in the early 20th century adjacent to the Rideau Canal, between the Ottawa Locks and Dow's Lake, and maintains the architectural character of Old Ottawa South. As one of the earliest properties in the 1911 subdivision, the property is physically, visually and historically linked to the transition of the Rideau Canal from its original military and commercial use towards passive recreation and the associated development of residential uses along the waterway and scenic driveways.

DESCRIPTION OF HERITAGE ATTRIBUTES

Key exterior attributes that contribute to the cultural heritage value of the 692 Echo Drive as an example of a residence built in the Edwardian Classicist style, include its:

- Symmetrical plan
- Side gable roof with three shed roofed dormers
- Rectangular window openings with stone sills
- Red brick cladding
- Stucco in the gable ends, porch columns and bay windows
- Large porch with pediment supported by limestone piers and knee walls
- Main entrance with symmetrically arranged wooden door sidelites flanked by bay windows featuring 2/2 windows arranged in groups of three
- Red brick chimney
- Exposed rafter tails along roof edges

Key attributes that demonstrate its contextual value include:

- Its prominent siting along Echo Drive between Bank Street and Riverdale Avenue overlooking the Rideau Canal

This designation excludes the interior of the building.

OBJECTIONS

Please be advised that any person wishing to object to this designation may do so under the objection process set out in Section 29 (5) of the *Ontario Heritage Act* by giving the Clerk of the City of Ottawa, within 30 days after the online publication of this notice, a notice of objection outlining the reasons for the objection and any other relevant information.

The notice of objection can be submitted via email to CityClerk-HeritageObjections@ottawa.ca. The notice of objection can also be submitted via registered mail or be delivered in person, by appointment, at the following coordinates:

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For further information, and for a complete copy of the Statement of Cultural Heritage Value and Attributes, please contact: Ashley Kotarba, ashley.kotarba@ottawa.ca 613-580-2424 x 23582.