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TOWN OF GANANOQUE

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On the Seaway — Canadian Gateway to the 1000 Islands

October 5, 1992
DIRECTOR'S OFFICE
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HERITAGE POLICY BRANCH

Nancy Smith, MCC

Ontario Heritage Foundation,
77 Bloor Street West,
Toronto, Ontario
M7A 2R9

Dear Sir/Madam;

Please find attached, "Notice of Intention to Designate"
re our Band Shell located at 30 King Street East, Town Hall
Park.

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Bishop
(Mrs) Betty Bishop
Acting Clerk

IN THE MATTER OF THE ONTARIO HERITAGE ACT, 1974
S.O. CHAPTER 122

AND IN THE MATTER OF THE LANDS AND PREMISES AT THE
FOLLOWING MUNICIPAL ADDRESS IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO DESIGNATE

To: Ontario Heritage Foundation,
77 Bloor Street West,
Toronto, Ontario,
M7A 2R9

TAKE NOTICE that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Gananoque intends to designate the property, including land and building, at the following municipal address as a property of architectural and historical value under Part IV of The Ontario Heritage Act, 1974, S.O. Chapter 122.

- a) The Band Shell located at 30 King Street East, Town Hall Park.

Reasons for the Proposed Designation:

- b) The Band Shell, erected in 1922 by Mitchell & Wilson, designed by William Reis (band leader, inventor and engineer) is octagonal in plan and boasts a sounding board ceiling in the shape of a horizontal parabolic curve that provides for exceptionally fine acoustics and sound projection;

The stone masonry of the Band Shell is of local granite forming an octagonal base continuing upward forming octagonal piers for the columns. The columns are octagonal, gracefully straight-tapered, of laid up pine;

The Town of Gananoque has had various citizen and youth bands since at least 1850 and the Band Shell was constructed for use by those bands operational at the time. It has been used for this purpose ever since and also serves as the focal point for many cultural events, such as arts and craft fairs, strawberry socials and teas, outdoor church services and the like. A summer concert series has attracted hundreds of local residents and tourists for many years;

The Band Shell is situated in the heart of a parkland area which also houses the Town Hall (a designated heritage structure) a children's playground, picnic tables, a fountain, walkways, etc. The Band Shell is considered to be an integral part of the Town Hall Park and contributes significantly to the overall ambience of the setting.

Notice of objection to the proposed designation, together with a statement of the reasons for the objection and all relevant facts may be served on the Acting Clerk of the Town of Gananoque before the 23rd day of October, 1992.
DATED at the Town of Gananoque
this 23rd day of September, 1992.

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