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July 7, 2025

Attn. Provincial Heritage Registrar
Ontario Heritage Trust
10 Adelaide Street East
Toronto, ON M5C 1J3

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Re: Notification of Intent to Designate, through Passage of a By-law, 10421 Fourth Line, legally described as "PT LT 13, CON 5 ESQ, AS IN 722382; S/T 53617 TOWN OF HALTON HILLS" Regional Municipality of Halton, and known as the Waterloo School, under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act.

This letter is to advise you that the Notice of Intention to Designate for the above property under Part IV of the *Ontario Heritage Act* was served to the property owner(s), via email, on July 7, 2025.

The Notice of Intention to Designate 10421 Fourth Line will be posted on the various Town sites July 4, 2025. A copy of the attached proof for the notice was forwarded to the property owner(s) on July 7, 2025.

Sincerely,



Laura Loney
Manager of Heritage Planning
Planning and Development

UNDER THE ONTARIO HERITAGE ACT

Notice of Intention to Designate



IN THE MATTER OF THE ONTARIO HERITAGE ACT AND IN THE MATTER OF the lands in the Town of Halton Hills known municipally as 10421 Fourth Line, legally described as "PT LT 13, CON 5 ESQ, AS IN 722382; S/T 53617 TOWN OF HALTON HILLS", Regional Municipality of Halton, and known as the Waterloo Schoolhouse.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Town of Halton Hills intends to designate the property at 10421 Fourth Line under Section 29(1), Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter O.18.

Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest:

The property at 10421 Fourth Line has physical and design value as a rare and representative example of an Ontario rural one-room schoolhouse in the Italianate architectural style, in the community of Scotch Block, within the Town of Halton Hills. The one-and-a-half storey schoolhouse features design elements such as a gable roof, segmentally arched window openings with limestone sills, voussoirs, and hood moulds, as well as two flatheaded entrances with soldier course lintels. The schoolhouse also features decorative brick work, including the brick "cherub" statue along the front elevation, which displays a high degree of craftsmanship and artistic merit.

The property at 10421 Fourth Line has historical and associative value due to its associations with the early educational system in the community of Scotch Block. The student population began to grow with the establishment of the Common School Act and the Ontario School Act, which introduced rates levied to support and construct new schools and later abolished the former fees for public schools and made attendance compulsory for children ages 7 to 12. These legislative changes provided government funds to construct and operate more schools for the growing school populations. Waterloo School is also associated with local builders Messrs Hume & Steel, and Acton-based architect John Cameron, who designed more than 100 buildings in Halton Hills and surrounding communities during his career.

The property at 10421 Fourth Line has contextual value as it is important in defining, maintaining, and supporting the rural character of the community of Scotch Block. The former Waterloo School is physically, visually, and historically linked to its surroundings as an early schoolhouse that serviced School Section No. 5 for nearly 70 years. Due to the vegetation obstructing the front elevation of the schoolhouse, the property has not been identified as a landmark.

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The heritage attributes of the property at 10421 Fourth Line are identified as follows:

- The setback, location, and orientation of the schoolhouse along Fourth Line in the community of Scotch Block within the Town of Halton Hills;
- The scale, form, and massing of the c.1891, one-and-a-half storey schoolhouse with a gable roof, single brick chimney, and stone foundation;
- Materials, including red brick and stone;
- Front (southwest) elevation:
 - Segmentally arched window openings with limestone sills, hood molds, and voussoirs;
 - Decorative brick banding and squares;
 - Decorative head carving;
 - Circular vent opening with semi-circular voussoir and limestone sill;
- Side (southeast and northwest) elevations:
 - Segmentally arched window openings with limestone sills, hood molds, and voussoirs; and,
 - Two flatheaded entrances with soldier course lintels.

The identified heritage attribute of the property at 10421 Fourth Line that contributes to its historical and associative value includes:

- The legibility of the existing property as a late-nineteenth-century Ontario rural one-room schoolhouse along Fourth Line within the community of Scotch Block in the Town of Halton Hills.

The identified heritage attributes of the property at 10421 Fourth Line that contribute to its contextual value include:

- The legibility of the existing property as a late-nineteenth-century Ontario rural one-room schoolhouse along Fourth Line within the community of Scotch Block in the Town of Halton Hills;
- The setback, location, and orientation of the c.1891 Waterloo School on the southwest side of Fourth Line; and,
- The scale, form, and massing of the one-and-a-half-storey Ontario rural one-room schoolhouse.

The rear elevation, interiors, and rear addition were not investigated as part of this report.

Further information respecting the Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest and proposed designation of 10421 Fourth Line (refer to Report PD-2025-027) is available by contacting Laura Loney, Manager of Heritage Planning for the Town of Halton Hills at 905-873-2600 x 2358 or by email at lloney@haltonhills.ca.

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Any person may, by August 3rd, 2025 (within 30 days after the date of the publication of this notice) serve written notice of objection to the proposed designation to Laura Loney together with a statement for the objection and all relevant facts.

Dated at the Town of Halton Hills this 4th day of July 2025.

Laura Loney, Manager of Heritage Planning, Planning and Development, The Corporation of the Town of Halton Hills, 1 Halton Hills Drive, Halton Hills, ON L7G 5G2.

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