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November 19, 2025

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

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Dear Provincial Heritage Registrar:

Re: Notice of Intention to Designate 368 Brant Street, Burlington under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act

Please take notice that in the matter of the *Ontario Heritage Act*, and in the matter of 368 Brant Street in the City of Burlington, notice is hereby given that the City of Burlington intends to designate the below-noted property under section 29 of the *Ontario Heritage Act*, known municipally as:

1. 368 Brant St., PLAN 92 BLK Y PT LOTS 3,4

Please find attached the Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest prepared for the subject properties, including a description of the property and descriptions of their heritage attributes.

A Notice of Intention to Designate the subject property was also published on the City of Burlington's Public Notices web page on November 19, 2025.

Any person may, within 30 days after the date of the publication of this notice on the City of Burlington's Public Notices web page, serve written notice of objection to the proposed designation, together with a statement for the objection and all relevant facts to the City Clerk, The Corporation of the City of Burlington, 426 Brant St., P.O. Box 5013, Burlington, Ontario, L7R 3Z6, by December 19, 2025.

If you have any questions regarding this Notice of Intention to Designate, please contact me at: Phone: 905-335-7600 ext. 7427, Email: Chloe.Richer@burlington.ca.

Sincerely,



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Senior Planner, Heritage

Attach.

cc: Councillor Lisa Kearns, Ward 2
Jamie Tellier, Director of Community Planning
Nick Anastasopoulos, Director of Building Services & Chief Building Official
Dio Ortiz, Deputy Chief Building Official/Manager, Building Permits

Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest: 368 Brant Street, Burlington

Description

The property at 368 Brant Street is located on the west side of lower Brant Street, between Elgin Street and Lakeshore Road, in the downtown core of the City of Burlington. Historically, the property was located within Brant's Block, along the main commercial corridor of Wellington Square. The property is in part of Lots 3 and 4, Block Y of Compiled Plan 92. The property consists of a two-storey flat-roofed brick commercial/residential building with a one-storey frame rear wing.

Design or Physical Value

The property has design value as it includes a representative example of an early 20th century Ontario vernacular two-storey brick commercial/residential building. Initially, the property contained a one-storey frame building built for Frederick William Parkin between 1907 and 1908, with his barber shop in the east section of the building and a bowling alley in the rear (west) section. In 1911, the bowling alley was converted to a pool hall. Between 1912 and 1916, the east section of the building was rebuilt as a more substantial, fire-resistant two-story brick building, featuring a commercial ground floor for Parkin's barber shop and a residential upper storey for his living quarters. A one-storey concrete block garage was added to the rear wing in the mid-20th century, which does not support the property's design value.

Although Parkin sold the property in 1957 and the building has since housed a variety of businesses, it has retained several original Classical architectural design features contributing to its design value which is characteristic of late 19th and early 20th century commercial buildings in Ontario. Of particular note are the decorative brick embellishments on the front façade, including the cornice dentils along the parapet at the roofline, the corbelled pilasters, and the segmental brick arches above the transom and second-storey sash window. The building also retains its Classical storefront with large plate glass display windows and a recessed store entrance. The ground floor entrance to the second floor also includes its original wood frame accented with a Classical style dentil shelf below the transom opening. Lastly, the second floor of the building has an oriel window which was an architectural feature popular in late 19th century (Late Victorian era) that carried over into the 20th century.

Contextual Value

The property also has contextual value as it is important in maintaining and supporting the historical character of lower Brant Street, which was established by James Gage in 1810 as the main commercial corridor of Wellington Square, now the City of Burlington. The property at 368 Brant Street is part of a group of five historical commercial buildings

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on the west side of lower Brant Street (including 370, 372, 374, and 380 Brant Street), which along with another comparable group of commercial buildings on the east side between Pine Street and Lakeshore Road (including 361, 359, 357, and 355-353 Brant Street and 2003 Lakeshore Road), maintains a consistent alignment along the street that forms a historic commercial streetwall despite façade alterations. The buildings in these groups retain their general form, scale and massing, their storefronts with large display windows, recessed entrances, and other Classical architectural design features, which support and maintain the historical streetscape of lower Brant Street.

Description of Heritage Attributes

Key exterior attributes that contribute to the design or physical value of the property at 368 Brant Street as a representative example of an early 20th century vernacular commercial/residential building:

- The form, scale and massing of the building as rectangular, two-storey, commercial/residential structure with a flat roof;
- The Classical style brick detailing of the east (front) elevation including the:
 - Parapet along the roofline including cornice dentils;
 - Masonry wall of the second floor with segmental brick voussoirs over the north window;
 - Corbelled pilasters of the ground floor supporting the storefront cornice; and,
 - Segmental brick voussoirs over the transom of the north entrance to the second floor.
- The second-floor oriel window on the east elevation with a hipped roof;
- The north second-floor window opening on the east elevation with a segmental arch and rusticated stone or concrete sill;
- The commercial storefront with a recessed entrance and large plate glass display windows;
- The north entrance on the east elevation with a wood frame transom featuring a decorative dentil shelf on its bottom frame; and,
- The one-storey rear (west) wing that served as the former bowling alley/pool hall (excluding the rear concrete block garage addition).

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Key attributes that contribute to the contextual value of 368 Brant Street, which supports and maintains the character of its surroundings, include:

- The location of the building on the street line and orientation of the building in its original location;
- The building's siting on lower Brant Street as part of a row of five late 19th century to mid-20th century commercial/residential buildings (370, 372, 374, and 380 Brant Street); and,
- Proximity to another group of historical commercial properties that contribute to the streetwall of lower Brant Street (361, 359, 357, and 355-353 Brant Street and 2003 Lakeshore Road).