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Mississippi Mills

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March 6, 2026

Ontario Heritage Trust
The Ontario Heritage Centre
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Attention: Provincial Heritage Registrar

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Ontario Heritage Trust

Re: Notice of Intention to Designate
Doctor's House
103 Queen Street
Almonte, ON K0A 1A0

This letter is to advise you that the Municipality of Mississippi Mills Heritage Advisory Committee and Council intend to designate The Doctor's House, 103 Queen Street, Almonte Ontario K0A 1A0, under Part IV of the *Ontario Heritage Act* R.S.O. 1990, Chapter 0.18.

The property, along with all supporting documents, was discussed at the Heritage Advisory Committee meeting on January 14, 2026. To view the recording of the meeting, please use the website address below and search for the date of the meeting: calendar.mississippimills.ca/council

At the meeting, the Heritage Advisory Committee approved the following motion:

> *That the Heritage Advisory Committee recommend Council issue a Notice of Intention to Designate 103 Queen Street under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act, in accordance with the Statement of Cultural Heritage Value included as Attachment A.*

This motion was later brought forward and approved at the Committee of the Whole meeting on February 10, 2026, and then proceeded to be approved by Council on February 24, 2026.

Enclosed is the Notice of Intention to Designate, and letter mailed to the owners of the property according to the *Ontario Heritage Act and* published on the municipal website at mississippimills.ca on March 6, 2026.

If you have any questions regarding this notice of intention to designate, please don't hesitate to contact me at jrussell@mississippimills.ca or 613-256-2064.

Warm regards,

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Re: Notice of Intention to Designate
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Dear [redacted],

This letter is to advise you that the Municipality of Mississippi Mills Heritage Advisory Committee and Council intend to designate your property, The Doctor's House, 103 Queen Street, under Part IV of the *Ontario Heritage Act* R.S.O. 1990, Chapter 0.18.

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At the meeting, the Heritage Advisory Committee approved the following recommendation:

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This recommendation was later brought forward and approved at the Committee of the Whole meeting on February 10, 2026, and then proceeded to be approved by Council on February 24, 2026.

As the intention to designate has been approved by Council, this letter is to advise you of the steps forward in the designation process and to provide you with a copy of the Notice of Intention to Designate, which will also be mailed to the Ontario Heritage Trust. The notice includes a description of the property and its heritage attributes, a statement of cultural heritage value or interest, and information outlining the opportunity to submit a notice of objection to the Clerk within 30 days of the notice being posted on the Municipality's website.

If no objection is received within the 30-day period, Council may proceed to pass a by-law designating your property. Following passage of the by-law, any person who objects may appeal the decision to the Tribunal within 30 days of the by-law's publication.

If you have any questions at any point throughout the designation process, please do not hesitate to contact me at jrussell@mississippimills.ca or 613-256-2064.

Warm regards,

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IN THE MATTER OF THE ONTARIO HERITAGE ACT,

R.S.O. 1990, CHAPTER 0.18

AND IN THE MATTER OF THE PROPERTY KNOWN AS

103 Queen Street

IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF MISSISSIPPI MILLS,
IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO DESIGNATE

TO: Ontario Heritage Trust
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Attention: Provincial Heritage Registrar

Notice of intention to designate: 103 Queen Street
Take notice that the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Mississippi Mills intends to designate **103 Queen Street** as a property of cultural heritage value or interest under section 29, Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter 0.18.

Description of the property
The legal description of the subject property is PLAN 6262 LOT 1 PT LOT 12 PT; LOT 7 CLYDE.

Statement of cultural heritage value or interest
The subject property is worthy of designation under Part IV, Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act because it meets **seven** of the nine prescribed criteria for determining cultural heritage value or interest, according to Ontario Regulation 9/06 as amended by Ontario Regulation 569/22. The heritage attributes of **103 Queen Street** display: design/physical, historical/associative, and contextual value.

The subject property meets **Criteria 1** because the Doctor's House has design value as a good example of an Italianate style house. Details of the building associated with this style include its three bay front façade with side hall plan, bracketed eaves, tall round arched and rectangular windows with stone voussoirs and sills and masonry construction.

The subject property meets **Criteria 2** because the Doctor's House was constructed of limestone quarried on the site and as such demonstrates the skills of local masons who not only excavated the stone, creating a deep basement (about three metres) but also built the house.

The subject property meets **Criteria 4** because the property at 103 Queen Street, known as the Doctor's House, has historical value for its association with Dr. William Mostyn, Almonte's first doctor and his role in the development of the medical profession not only in Almonte but also in eastern Ontario. It also has association with other Almonte doctors who owned and practiced from the building well into the 20th century. Mostyn was typical of members of Ontario's emerging professional class and played an active role in the community, serving as a school trustee, the reeve of Almonte, the local MPP, the Deputy Grand Master of the Freemasons and the president of the North Lanark Agricultural Society.

The subject property meets **Criteria 5** because Almonte experienced significant growth during the 19th century, evolving from a small hamlet with a single mill at its outset to a bustling centre boasting at least seven mills by 1850. The town's expansion was accompanied by the development of its professional community. Constructed in 1868, a decade after Dr. Mostyn's arrival in Almonte, it was one of at least three stone buildings erected that year, as noted in the Almonte Gazette.

The subject property meets **Criteria 7** because the Doctor's House is located at the corner of Queen and Clyde Streets, across the river from the town's centre. It is part of a small enclave of houses, public, and religious buildings bounded by the river, Queen and Martin Streets. The area was formerly known as "Professional Alley," because of the high concentration of professionals living there.

The subject property meets **Criteria 8** because the Doctor's House is physically linked to its surroundings as it was constructed of stone quarried on the lot. In addition, its location on Queen Street just outside of downtown and near residential areas permitted easy access by patients. Visually, it is one of several large houses that establish the character of the neighbourhood.

The subject property meets **Criteria 9** because the Doctor's House is a landmark because of its well-known historic function and prominent location in Almonte.

Description of Heritage Attributes

The following elements of the property at **103 Queen Street** should be considered as heritage attributes in a designation under Part IV, Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act:

- Rough-cut limestone masonry laid in uneven courses.

- Shallow hipped gable roof with deep returned eaves with regularly spaced single and paired brackets (main house).
- Three-bay front façade with a side hall plan.
- Flat roofed enclosed portico (constructed after the completion of the house).
- Details of the portico include:
  - Flat roof with a wide cornice with corner brackets,
  - Multipaned transom windows and 18 over one windows in the double entrance doors.
- Rectangular ground floor sash windows with stone voussoirs and lintels.
- Round-arched second storey six paned sash windows, also with stone voussoirs and lintels.
- Tall slender round-arched eight paned window with stone voussoirs and lintel on the Clyde Street façade, to light the stairs inside.
- The Doctor's Office wing, a one and a half storey rectangular structure with a shallow gable roof.

Details of the Doctor's House that contribute to its heritage value as a dual-purpose building include:

- The wing containing the Doctor's Office
- Offset doorway
- Irregular fenestration pattern of four-over-four rectangular windows with stone voussoirs and sills flanking a slender four paned window with stone voussoirs and lintel on the ground floor and two small windows above on the Clyde Street façade.

Key contextual attributes that contribute to the cultural heritage value of the Doctor's House include:

- The property's location at the corner of Queen Street and Clyde Street, near noteworthy 19th century buildings, including St. Paul's Anglican Church and Rectory, the Registry Office and the Wylie House.
- The property's large side yard.

The additions to the rear of the building, including the garage and pool house are not included in this designation.
The interior of the building is not included in this designation.

A more detailed description of the property's cultural heritage value can be found in the staff report to the Heritage Advisory Committee dated January 14, 2026, which can be viewed at calendar.mississippimills.ca/council by selecting the date of the meeting.

Notice of objection

Any person may send a notice of objection to this proposed designation, within 30 days after the date of publication of the notice of intention, or before 4 p.m. on **Sunday, April 5, 2026**. This notice of objection must be sent by registered mail or delivered to the Clerk of the Municipality of Mississippi Mills and must set out the reason for the objection and all relevant facts. If a notice of objection is received, the Council of the Municipality of Mississippi Mills shall consider the objection and make a decision whether or not to withdraw the notice of intention to designate the property within 90 days after the end of the 30-day objection period. If Council decides not to withdraw its intention to designate, a heritage designation by-law must be passed within 120 days after the date of publication of the notice of intention to designate. Council must publish a Notice of Passing of the designation by-law which is followed by a 30-day appeal period when appeals of the by-law may be given to the Ontario Land Tribunal for a hearing and decision.

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Notice dated: March 6, 2026