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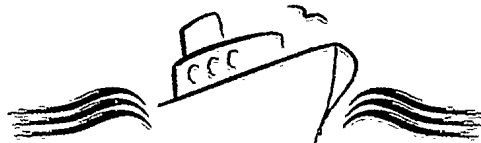


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BOARD**

Ms. Rita Caldarone
Secretary, Heritage Policy and
Program Development
Heritage & Libraries Branch
Ministry of Culture
400 University Avenue, 4th Floor
Toronto, ON M7A 2R9

Dear Ms. Caldarone:

Re: Notice of Intention to Designate
Ontario Heritage Act
The Millar House
43 Welland Street South,
City of Thorold

Please find enclosed herewith a copy of a Notice of Intention to Designate the above noted property in accordance with Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter 0.18. This notice will be published in the Niagara This Week on Friday, July 1, 2005.

You have been notified as required under the provisions of Section 29(3) of the Act.

I trust this is in order.

Yours very truly,

Adele Arbour, MCIP, RPP
City Planner

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Attach.

cc: Heritage Thorold LACAC
J.K. Bice, City Clerk

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NOTICE OF INTENTION TO DESIGNATE

IN THE MATTER OF THE ONTARIO HERITAGE ACT, R.S.O. 1990, CHAPTER 0.18 AND IN THE MATTER OF THE LANDS AT THE FOLLOWING LOCATION IN THE CITY OF THOROLD, IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.

TAKE NOTICE that the Council of the Corporation of the City of Thorold intends to designate The Millar House located on the west side of Welland Street South between Portland Street and Lyndon Street, municipally known as 43 Welland Street South, as a property of cultural heritage value or interest under Part IV of The Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 2005 Chapter 0.18, Section 29.

REASONS FOR THE PROPOSED DESIGNATION:

The Millar House
West side of Welland Street South
Plan Rolls Lot 22, Pt. Lot 21
NP 890,891
Thorold, Ontario

The Millar House is located on the west side of Welland Street South, between Portland Street and Lyndon Street.

Cultural Value

In a setting surrounded by homes of like age and in its original location, the brick dwelling known as "*The Millar House*" is both architecturally significant and has biographical connections to some of Thorold's prominent citizens from the past.

Architectural

This sturdy, attractive brick house, with its extensive gardens, was constructed in c.1876, utilizing "*The Common Bond*" (pattern of brickwork). The house is one of the most eye-catching and architecturally interesting buildings in the immediate vicinity. It is a very fine example of simplistic Italianate design and possesses many of the hallmarks of this style, including the Cambered window head with limestone lintels. Other notable features are double hung, round top doors, leaded glass at the front entrance, Tuscan influenced front porch, wide eaves line with scrolled brackets and dentil trim along the fascia and a low pitched, hip roof. The foundation is of limestone rubble construction, with mortar holding the stones together.

Historical Significance

The Millar family is among familiar names associated with Thorold during the late Victorian era. In 1866 James Millar began his business as a merchant and tailor in Thorold. His establishment at 31 Front Street South was burned out in a disastrous fire that devastated downtown Thorold; fortunately he was able to build back his business successfully. He was very active in the community as a member of the Thorold School Board, Beneficiary Secretary in 1897 for the Royal Templars of Temperance. In 1897 he was a member of the Methodist Church (Trinity) and president of the Sunday School Convention.

There were 6 children born to James and Ann (Main) Millar. One of the sons - David E. Millar followed in his father's footsteps and worked as a tailor in the family business. From 1906-1907 he was Mayor of the Town of Thorold. In 1901 as a Bargain and Sale transaction, Henrietta June England, as executrix of the estate of William England, sold the house at 43 Welland St. South to David E. Millar. The house remained in the Millar family until 1992 - almost a century of residence at this address. [REDACTED] who purchased the house in 1992 are only the third family to occupy this home.

Further information respecting the proposed designation is available in the Planning and Building Services Department during regular office hours, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday to Friday, 227-6613, 8 Carleton Street South, Thorold.

Any person may object to the proposed designation within thirty (30) days after the date of the publication of the Notice of Intention by serving on the Clerk of the Corporation of the City of Thorold a notice of objection setting out the reason for the objection and all relevant facts. The last day for filing objections will be Sunday, July 31, 2005. All objections received within the aforementioned time period will be referred to the Heritage Conservation Review Board for a hearing and report.

DATED at the City of Thorold this 1st day of July, 2005.

John K. Bice, City Clerk
Corporation of the City of Thorold
P.O. Box 1044, 8 Carleton Street South
Thorold, Ontario L2V 4A7