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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 BUILDING KNOWN AS
8 GLENHILL PLACE
IN THE CITY OF GUELPH,
IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO DESIGNATE

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TO:

Ontario Heritage Foundation The Ontario Heritage Centre 10 Adelaide Street East Toronto, Ontario M5C 1J3

AND:

8 Glenhill Place Guelph, ON N1E 4G7

TAKE NOTICE THAT the Council of the Corporation of the City of Guelph intends to designate 8 Glenhill Place as a building of cultural heritage value and interest under Part IV of The Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter 0.18.

STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR DESIGNATION

The house at 8 Glenhill Place is a good example of a farmhouse in the Neo-Classic style. It is a symmetrical two storey stone structure set on a hillside and is in excellent condition. Built in the 1850s, it is one of the earlier remaining stone farmhouses in Guelph, and as such worthy of heritage designation through the Ontario Heritage Act.

The first record of this property comes from 1834, when John Mitchell was granted a large tract of land from the Canada Company, then known as the Mitchell Survey. It is estimated that this house was built in the mid 1850s. The first occupants of the house appear to be John and Elizabeth Robertson, along with their eleven children, who lived there from 1857 to 1874 as tenants of John Mitchell. The Robertsons purchased the house and five acres of surrounding land in 1874, and then ran a small dairy on the farm for a number of years. They remained there until 1908 when the property was sold to Henry Billings. From 1913 onwards, the property changed ownership several times and its condition deteriorated until 1948, when it was purchased by who gradually restored it and lived there until 1987. It was then sold to the present owners,

current excellent condition.

All exterior stone walls on the house are original and thus included in the designation. The stone is mixed, with some informal limestone quoins and fieldstone rubble coursed walls. It is unusual in that there are some very large fieldstones in the structure at higher elevations of the building. Also of note is the stone addition on the east side of the structure, thought to have been the dairy at one time. Other exterior features designated are all the original windows and window openings, as well as the limestone lintels and sills surrounding them. Modern additions to the west and north sides of the house are not included in the designation.

Inside the house, the designated features include the window openings, the interior exposed stone walls, all original woodwork and trim as well as the second storey pine floors which are original.

Any person may, before the 18th day of August, 2003, send by registered mail or deliver to the Clerk of the City of Guelph, notice of objection to this proposed designation, together with a statement of reasons for the objection and all relevant factors. If a notice of objection is received, the Council of the City of Guelph shall refer the matter to the Conservation Review Board for a hearing.

DATED at Guelph, Ontario, this 15th day of July, 2003.

Lois Giles, City Clerk City Hall, 59 Carden Street Guelph ON N1H 3A1