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

Dear Sir/Madam:



**Re: Notice of Intention to Designate under the Ontario Heritage Act -
2029 Ridge Road, Town of Fort Erie**

✓ Kindly disregard the Notice of Intention to Designate under cover of our letter dated June 12, 2002. It has been brought to our attention the Notice should have split the designation of the property noting that the intention is to designate the log cabin as being of architectural and historical value or interest under the *Ontario Heritage Act* and to designate the farmhouse as being of historical value or interest under the *Act*.

Enclosed please find an amended copy of the Notice to Designate the lands described therein.

As noted in our previous correspondence any person, may within thirty (30) days of this Notice, mail or deliver their objection to the Clerk of the Town of Fort Erie.

Would you kindly notify us **before July 22, 2002** whether or not you have any objections to the Notice of Intention.

Yours very truly,

Carolyn J. Kett, A.M.C.T.
Town Clerk

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**IN THE MATTER OF THE *ONTARIO HERITAGE ACT*, R.S.O. 1990
CHAPTER 0.18, AS AMENDED
AND**

**IN THE MATTER OF LANDS AND PREMISES AT THE
FOLLOWING LOCATION IN THE TOWN OF FORT ERIE**

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO DESIGNATE

TAKE NOTICE that the Municipal Council of The Corporation of the Town of Fort Erie intends to designate the property, including lands and buildings, described as Part Lot 8, Concession 8, Niagara River in the former Township of Bertie, now in the Town of Fort Erie, in the Regional Municipality of Niagara, located on the west side of Ridge Road, south side of Bowen Road, as property of architectural and historical value or interest under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter 0.18, as amended. This house and property is located at **2029 Ridge Road**.

REASONS FOR DESIGNATION

This farm was originally a land grant to Frederick Anger in 1801. The farm was subsequently sold to the Foremans in 1820. The Millers bought the property in 1858 [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

There are two buildings on the property that are over a century old. The original log cabin was built around 1803 to meet one of the conditions required to obtain a Government Land Grant. This building was constructed of solid hand hewn logs held together by half tapered corners. The intent is to designate the log cabin as being of architectural and historical value or interest under the Act.

The second building, which is the current farm house, is of wood frame construction and was covered in lap siding until recently when it was recovered with vinyl. The house was built in 1848. Some of the old eight pane double hung windows still exist. The interior has been modernized over the years. At one time, according to the present owner, the front entrance was a milk, cream and butter processing area. The intent is to designate the farmhouse as being of historical value or interest under the Act.

In 1951, while renovations were being made, two pieces of board wood with inscriptions were discovered inside the walls. This is an indication there was a fire between the basement and first floor in front of the fireplace and as a result renovations were made.

One of the inscriptions on the boards reads:

Bertie Ontario April 5, 1886. This home was repaired by Mr. Jacob Raeim workman Ridgeway, Ontario. Mr. Wm. Clark of Stevensville, Ontario. It is signed by Abel Miller and John F. Miller.

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The inscription on the second board reads:

Bertie Ontario, April 5, 1886. The occupants of this house are Mr. Mrs. J. Miller, Henry J. George & Abel and John F. Miller wife Mary E. Kruger Fawe. Mother me Uncle George Kruger. This is a fine day a little cool and the wind is in the east. Abel Miller.

A map of 1862 of the property illustrates an underground fed stream that has been widened out to a pond which still exists behind the farm house today.

A search of title back to the original land grant and a history of this site have been conducted.

Any person may within thirty days after the date of the publication of this Notice of Intention to designate, serve on the Clerk of the Town of Fort Erie Notice of Objection to the Intention to Designate setting out the reasons for the objection and all relevant facts. If such a Notice of Objection is received, the Corporation of the Town of Fort Erie shall refer the matter to the Conservation Review Board for a hearing. However, any person who has served a Notice of Objection may withdraw the objection at any time before the conclusion of the hearing into the matter by serving a Notice of Withdrawal on the Clerk of the Town of Fort Erie. Where no Notice of Objection is served, the Council shall consider a by-law to designate the aforesaid property on July 22, 2002.

Dated at Fort Erie, Ontario this 15th day of June, 2002

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Town Clerk
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