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January 27, 2010

Ontario Heritage Trust 10 Adelaide Street East Toronto, Ontario M5C 1J3

Dear Sir / Madam;

ONTARIO HERITAGE TRUST

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RE: NOTICE OF THE PASSING OF HERITAGE BY-LAW

Please be advised that Council for the Township of Woolwich at their regular meeting held on January 19, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. passed the following By-laws (copies attached):

- o By-law 6-2010, a by-law to officially designate the building at 69 Arthur Street South in the Township of Woolwich, in the Regional Municipality of Waterloo, to be of cultural heritage value, or interest pursuant to the provisions of Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act, as amended; and
- o By-law 7-2010, a by-law to officially designate the building at 1924 Sawmill Road in the Township of Woolwich, in the Regional Municipality of Waterloo, to be of cultural heritage value, or interest pursuant to the provisions of Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act, as amended.

Notice of the passing of these by-laws has been published in the Woolwich Observer, served on the owner of the property (Township of Woolwich) and the by-laws have been registered on title of the respective properties.

Should you have any questions in this regard, please contact our office.

Yours truly,

Nancy Thompson

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Enclosure

TOWNSHIP OF WOOLWICH

BY-LAW NUMBER 7-2010

A by-law to designate the building at 1924 Sawmill Road in the Township of Woolwich, in the Regional Municipality of Waterloo, to be of cultural heritage value, or interest pursuant to the provisions of section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O 1990, chapter O.18, as amended

WHEREAS section 29 of the *Ontario Heritage Act*, R.S.O. 1990 Chapter O.18, as amended, authorizes the council of municipality to enact by-laws to designate real property within the municipality, including all the buildings and structures thereon, to be of cultural heritage value or interest;

AND WHEREAS the Council of the Township of Woolwich has caused to be served on the owner of the property know municipally as 1924 Sawmill Road in the Township of Woolwich, and upon the Ontario Heritage Trust, a Notice of Intention to Designate as being of cultural heritage value or interest that part of the property more particularly described in Schedule A attached hereto and has cause such Notice of Intention to be published in the December 12, 2009 edition of the Woolwich Observer, a newspaper having general circulation in the Township of Woolwich;

AND WHEREAS no notice of objection to the proposed designation has been served on the Clerk of the municipality;

NOW THEREFORE THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WOOLWICH ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

- 1. That the property known as 1924 Sawmill Road in Conestogo, having the legal description set out in Schedule A (the "property"), is hereby designated as being of cultural heritage value or interest pursuant to section 29 of the *Ontario Heritage Act*.
- 2. The Clerk shall cause a copy of this by-law to be registered against the property in the proper land registry office.
- 3. The Clerk shall cause a copy of this by-law to be served upon the owner of the Property and upon the Ontario Heritage Trust and to cause a notice of this by-law to be published in a newspaper having general circulation in the Township of Woolwich as required by the Ontario Heritage Act.
- 4. Nothing in this By-law, including the statement of cultural heritage value and the description of heritage attributes, shall be construed so as to require the owner of the Property to make application for consent to make an alteration to the exterior of the structure from time to time in the nature of:
 - Minor maintenance and repair work including, without limitation, mortar repairs, graffiti removal, and alteration to the existing additions, impacted areas of the south west and south east walls of the original structure, and interior works;

- o Emergency repair work as determined to be reasonably necessary by, and in the sole discretion of the, the Property Owner.
- 5. Nothing in this By-law, included the extent and description of the designation, the statement of cultural heritage value and the description of the heritage attributes, shall be construed so as to require the owner of the Property to make application for consent to make an alteration to the Township of Woolwich prior to the owner undertaking any alteration to the exterior required in order to comply with all applicable requirements at law, as determined to be reasonably necessary by, and in sole discretion of, the Property owner from time to time.
- 6. Only those alterations described in sections 4 and 5 of this by-law that will not affect the cultural heritage value or interest and the heritage attributes of the building described in Schedule 'A' are permitted under sections 4 and 5.

PASSED this 19th day of January, 2010

Mayor

Clerk

Schedule A

Legal Description of the Property

Plan 602 Part Lot 2 and RP 58R14557 Parts 1 and 3

Description of Property

The former Township Hall is located at 1924 Sawmill Road (formerly King Street) at the northeast corner of Flax Mill Drive in Conestogo. The building was constructed in 1888 originally as a Mennonite Church. The exterior of this single storey gabled structure is reflective of early simplistic vernacular design.

Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest

The building was originally built as a Mennonite Church for the Mennonite Brethren in Christ. It maintained its use as a religious structure until it was sold to the Township of Woolwich in 1939. Since the structure was created by Mennonite craftsmen it provides a better understanding of the community's skills and attitudes at the time of construction.

The structure reflects the simplistic methods of construction used by Mennonite builders at the time. It was designed for functionality with very little decorative additions, with the exception of alterations to the front (where the doors were replaced with windows, new door added etc). The fact that the structure is still viable is indicative of the high degree of craftsmanship with which it was built.

The structure also represent the community as it was used as a Township Hall for over 30 years until the offices were moved to Elmira after which the building was used for meetings and storage purposes.

The structure is functionally linked to the community through its history.

Description of Heritage Attributes

Specifically the designation would be limited to the exterior features which have been preserved. The key elements that define the vernacular Mennonite style and which otherwise contribute to the cultural heritage significance of the building include:

- Cornicing on both gable ends of the roof
- · Detailed trim around the front door
- Wood and red brick as general construction materials
- Brick arches over the side windows
- Lentils over front windows
- Transom window above both front and rear doors
- Woolwich township hall sign inlaid in front brick façade
- Wood shingles on the roof
- Stone foundation
- Iron brackets on exterior walls