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REGISTERED MAIL

2003-10-22

Ms. Rita Caldarone
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Dear Ms. Caldarone:

Re: Notice Withdrawing Notice of Intention – 381 Pioneer Tower Road, Kitchener, and

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This is to advise that Kitchener City Council, at its meeting of 2003-10-20, directed the Clerk to publish a Notice withdrawing the Notice of Intention to designate the above property, pursuant to Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act, passed on July 2, 1996, and to publish a new Notice of Intention to designate a part of 381 Pioneer Tower Road as being of cultural heritage value or interest. A copy of the Notice to Withdraw, and the Notice of Intention, which will be published in The Record on October 31, 2003, is attached for your information. I will provide you with a copy of the designating by-law, once one has been passed by City Council.

Yours truly,

Dianne Gilchrist
Committee Administrator

cc: L. Bensason
J. Sheryer

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IN THE MATTER OF THE ONTARIO HERITAGE ACT, R.S.O. 1990, CHAPTER O.18, AS AMENDED, AND IN THE MATTER OF THE LANDS AND PREMISES AT THE FOLLOWING MUNICIPAL ADDRESS(ES) IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO

NOTICE OF INTENTION

TAKE NOTICE that the Council of the Corporation of the City of Kitchener has withdrawn its Notice of Intention to designate 381 Pioneer Tower Road, as being of historic and architectural interest, under part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O., Chapter O.18, as amended, as approved on July 2, 1996; and further,

TAKE NOTICE that the Council of the Corporation of the City of Kitchener intends to designate the following municipal address(es) as being of cultural heritage value or interest under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter O.18, as amended.

381 Pioneer Tower Road

Historically, the property is part of the earliest (Spring 1800) inland non-native settlement of what would become Waterloo County. The existing farmhouse was built c.1830 by David Sherk who was born September 7, 1801 and who was reportedly the first non-native child born in Waterloo County. David Sherk would become a deacon and in 1838 ordained to the ministry. He was the son of Joseph Schoerg, who together with Samuel Betzner were the first Pennsylvania Mennonite pioneers to settle in Waterloo County.

Architecturally, the farmhouse serves as an excellent example of a Mennonite Georgian residence. Specific features to be designated include: all elevations including the rear summer kitchen annex with two storey verandah and square posts and ballusters, but excluding the west gable end chimney; single bay pedimented stoop entrance with turned posts and side benches; all window openings, windows and sills including 6/6 double hung sash and storm, and 6 pane end lights and twin light cellar sashes; door and door openings including front entrance paneled door with 5 pane transom and 3 pane sidelights, kitchen annex entrance paneled door with twin gothic windows, but excluding the door opening on the south (rear) elevation; roof and roofline including wooden moulded frieze and return eaves.

Any person may send by Registered Mail or deliver to the Clerk of the City of Kitchener, Notice of his or her objections to the proposed designation, together with a statement of the reasons for the objection and all relevant facts, to be received by the Clerk not later than the 30th day of November, 2003. When a Notice of Objection has been received, the Council of the Corporation of the City of Kitchener will refer the matter to the Conservation Review Board for a hearing and report.