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March 26, 2014

Registrar, Ontario Heritage Trust,
Heritage Programs and Operation
ATTN: Mr. Jim Leonard
10 Adelaide Street East
Toronto, ON M5C 1J3

Re: Notice of Amendment to Five (5) Municipally Designated Heritage Properties

Dear Mr. Leonard,

The Town of Perth and the Municipal Heritage Advisory Panel (MHAP) have been working to update municipal heritage designations in order to bring them into compliance with the current standards for designations of heritage buildings as prescribed by the Ontario Ministry of Culture under the *Ontario Heritage Act*.

As the Registrar for the Ontario Heritage Trust, the Town is hereby providing you with notice of the approved five (5) amendments, attached, to the following properties:

1. 2457-1 – The John Hart House, 37 Herriott Street;
2. 2587-1 – The Old Burying Ground (Craig Street Cemetery);
3. 2699-1 – The Bandstand, 80 Gore Street East;
4. 2870-1 – St. Paul's Old Methodist Burying Ground, and;
5. 2875-1 – 11 – 15 Mill Street.

The amendments clarify the Statement of Heritage Value or Interest and the Description of Heritage Attributes of said properties.

If you have any questions please contact Karen Rennie, Heritage Manager / Curator at 613-267-1947.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Lauren Walton".

Lauren Walton, Clerk

Encl.

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THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF PERTH

BY-LAW NO. 2457-1

A By-law to amend By-law No. 2457, being a By-law regarding the Municipal Heritage Designation of the John Hart House located at 37 Herriott Street

Recitals:

1. Section 29 in Part IV of the *Ontario Heritage Act*, as amended, provides that the Council of a municipality may by by-law designate a property within the municipality to be of cultural heritage value or interest.
2. Council wishes to bring the designation into compliance with the current standards for designation of heritage buildings as prescribed by the Ontario Ministry of Culture under the *Ontario Heritage Act*.
3. The Committee of the Whole reviewed Report 2013-COW-12.2 and Report 2014-COW-4.UB.1 and concurs with the information presented.
4. The Council of the Town of Perth passed Motion #13-177 authorizing staff to publish the Notice of Intention to amend the designation.
5. On December 26th, 2013, Notice of Intention to amend the heritage designation of the John Hart House was served on the property owner, Cheryl Smith, and published as per the Town's Public Notice Policy;
6. The public was provided an opportunity to object to the intention to amend the designation within thirty (30) days of the notice, to the Clerk.
7. The Clerk has not received any objection to the proposed amendment to the designation as of January 27th, 2014.
8. Council for The Corporation of the Town of Perth deems it advisable to pass this By-law.

Accordingly, the Council of The Corporation of the Town of Perth enacts as follows:

1. AUTHORIZATION

- 1.1. That By-law No. 2457, be amended in its entirety and be replaced with the following:

PERTH HERITAGE DESIGNATED PROPERTIES
Building/Property Name: The John Hart House

Address:	37 Herriott Street
Original Owner:	John Hart Sr.
Present Owner:	██████████
Date Built:	ca. 1860
Architect/Contractor:	Unknown
Original Use:	Private residences
Present Use:	Private residence and apartments
Designated:	By-law No. 2457 July 13, 1982
Registration:	Instrument # 85627 July 15, 1982

CERTIFIED A TRUE COPY

Date March 26, 2014

Lauren Walton
Lauren Walton, Clerk
Town of Perth, County of Lanark

Reason for Designation:

An excellent example of a largely Italianate style, imposing residence in the centre of Perth. The house was built by John Hart Sr. and his son, John Semple Hart, local merchants of note. John Semple published a popular almanac for many years, the full title of which was Hart's Canadian Almanac and Repository of Useful Information and Division Court Directory for the County of Lanark.

Statement of Cultural and Historical Value or Interest:

John Hart Sr. (1808-1881), a native of Paisley, Scotland, immigrated to Canada in the 1840's and settled with his family in Perth. With his son, John Semple (1833-1917), they established a store at 27/29 Gore St. East in the 1850's specializing in books, local and international newspapers, sheet music, paintings, wallpapers and other fine goods. A reading room in the store became a popular cultural centre in the town. The family business continued until 1928 under the direction of John Semple's son, William. A major sideline was the annual publication of Hart's Canadian Almanac for some 65 years.

The property on Herriott St. was purchased by John Hart Sr. in 1860 and the house was built shortly thereafter serving as the family home for some 60 years. Changing hands twice in the succeeding years, it was purchased by Sylvester O'Donnell, a local merchant, in 1954 and renovated by R.T. Parks & Sons to accommodate the O'Donnells and to create two rental apartments. Mrs. Jean O'Donnell proposed that the house receive a heritage designation by the Town in 1982.

Architectural Value:

With its primary façade fronting on Herriott Street this is a 2 ½ storey frame house in the Italianate style most popular during the decades before Confederation. The truncated, hipped roof features offset, double brick chimneys attached at the bottom and a particularly fine, bell-shaped dormer above the main entry. The eaves of both the house and the extended bay on the east side are decorated with dentils and double brackets all in painted wood.

Of note are the rounded windows on both floors as well as on the three-sided bay extension on the east side including original shutters. Departing somewhat from the Italianate theme, the classical front portico is supported by double fluted columns and leads to a single paneled front door surrounded by sidelights and a single transom. The windows on the main floor are topped with pediments and the double window above the portico is crowned with a curved surround.

Heritage Attributes:

In general terms, it is crucial that the flavour of both the classical portico and the Italianate features be preserved. Significant among these are the following attributes:

- The square plan, hipped roof, chimneys and decorated eaves.
- The ornate bell-shaped dormer above the main façade.
- The detail and shape of the rounded windows and their shutters.
- The style, materials and decorative elements of the portico.
- The clapboard siding and corner boards. Unfortunately, it has been covered with vinyl in very recent years. However, in a future phase, the wooden siding elements should be uncovered and restored.

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Legal Description:

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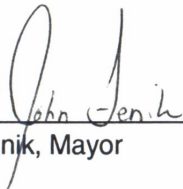
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2. EFFECTIVE DATE:

2.1. That this By-law shall come into force and effect upon passage thereof.

Read a first, second and third time and finally passed this 25th day of March, 2014.



John Fenik, Mayor



Lauren Walton, Clerk

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