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> SARNIA HERITAGE COMMITTEE

### **CITY OF SARNIA**

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September 17th, 2013

Ms. Nimet Manji Executive Director's Office Ontario Heritage Foundation 10 Adelaide Street East, 3rd Floor Toronto ON M5C 1J3

Dear Ms. Manji:

# NOTICE OF INTENT TO DESIGNATE

Please find attached a notice of intent to designate the exterior structure of the property located on the south side of London Road and known municipally as 197 London Road, under Section 29, Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O, 1990, c.O.18 as amended.

If you have any questions or comments regarding this notice, please do not hesitate to call me at (519) 332-0330, ext. 3293.

Yours truly,

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Max Williams – Planner II Secretary, Sarnia Heritage Committee

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# In the matter of THE ONTARIO HERITAGE ACT, R.S.O. 1990, c.O 18, as amended, and in the matter of THE LANDS AND PREMISES OF THE PROPERTY KNOWN MUNICIPALLY AS 197 LONDON ROAD IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO

#### NOTICES OF INTENT TO DESIGNATE

**TAKE NOTICE** that the Council of the Corporation of the City of Sarnia intends to designate the property located at 197 London Road as being of architectural, historical and cultural value or interest under Section 29, Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O, 1990, c.O.18 as amended.

#### **REASONS FOR PROPOSED DESIGNATION**

The property (as shown on the Area Map) known locally as the 'Mulberry House' and the 'Saddy House', is a 1 1/2 storey yellow brick detached home located on the south-west corner of London Road & Brock Street. The dwelling is believed to have been built in 1867 by Alexander Mackenzie (Canada's second Prime Minister) for a local tombstone maker, James Roger, with locally fired clay bricks. The home remained in the Rogers' family for close to a century until, in 1960, Mayor Marceil Saddy bought it for his home. On his death in1988, Marceil left the house to the Sarnia

#### Area Map



Foundation who used it for offices until it was sold by the foundation to a private citizen who again used as a private residence for several years.

This home is a blend of Gothic revival and Georgian architecture. The gabled roof, with its wood molded fascia and friezes, has been lovingly maintained and is an example of this neighbourhood's character homes.

The solid foundation was constructed of local fieldstone. An inviting brokenpediment overhangs the frontispiece front entrance with interesting sidelights on either side of the door. Stone carvings in the walls on either side of the door were carved by local stonemasons. A back staircase leads to the second floor bedrooms. The second floor double hung windows have shaped transoms of louvered wood, except for the semi-circular glass top pane over the front door.

Little has changed in the home over the years, but it has been kept up to date as a practical/functional family home with indoor plumbing and a small

rear addition constructed in 1910 to provide a better entrance and more kitchen space. The kitchen still has the stone window used to sharpen knives for the past century and a half.

Under Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act, the Sarnia Heritage Committee intends to designate the home at 197 London Road for historical and architectural reasons. The property is worthy of designation because of its historical significance, ties to prominent Sarnia political representation and its architectural design characteristics

### NOTE:

Any person may, within thirty (30) days of the publication of this Notice, may send by mail or deliver to the Clerk of the City of Sarnia, notice of his or her objection to the proposed designations, together with a statement of reason for the objection and relevant facts. If such Notice of Objection is received, the Council of the Corporation of the City of Sarnia shall refer the matter to the Conservation Review Board for hearing.

> Brian Knott, Solicitor/City Clerk Sarnia City Hall 255 Christina Street N., Sarnia ON N7T 5V4

Further information respecting the proposed designations is available from Max Williams, Secretary of the Sarnia Heritage Committee at (519) 332-0330 ext. 3293.