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SENT VIA PUROLATOR: November 2, 2017

CITY OF ORILLIA

NOV 06 2017 IN THE MATTER OF the *Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. O.18.*
City of Orillia, Province of Ontario

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136 West Street North

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NOTICE OF INTENTION TO DESIGNATE

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TO: Ontario Heritage Trust
10 Adelaide Street East
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TAKE NOTICE that the Council of the Corporation of the City of Orillia intends to designate the property municipally known as 136 West Street North in the City of Orillia in the Province of Ontario as property of cultural heritage value or interest under Part IV of the *Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. O.18.*

Description of the Property

136 West Street North, Orillia, Ontario

Statement of Cultural Heritage Value

This property known municipally as 136 West Street North (part Lot 1, north side Tecumseth, Plan 8) contains a dwelling that reflects a local interpretation of the Queen Anne style of architecture. The dwelling was erected in 1896 for Charles Wadham Diggle, his second wife Julia Emma Smith, and son Frederick. Charles was formerly the Deputy Registrar of the Muskoka District and retired to Orillia. The property and dwelling were bought in 1906 by Sarah Wood, wife of Edward Wood, proprietors of a "millinery and fancy dry goods" store on Mississauga Street East in Orillia. This is also the childhood home of renowned Canadian sculptor Elizabeth Wyn Wood, a daughter of Sarah and Edward. [REDACTED]

This property and dwelling form a landmark at the gateway to the enclave of heritage properties along Tecumseth Street and area. The setting has the potential to become a commemoration of the artistic life and work in sculpture of Elizabeth Wyn Wood (1903 to 1966) and Emanuel Hahn (1881 to 1957) through the future development of a public sculpture garden in the south yard of the property.

Description of Heritage Attributes

The heritage attribute of this property is the 1896 Queen Anne style dwelling. The following elements of the dwelling are important to the cultural heritage value or interest of this property.

- the irregular plan and two storey massing;

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- the monochromatic, unpainted red-orange brick veneer masonry, including the radiating voussoirs or lintels and brick moulds over the openings;
- the carved wood brackets and moulded dentil style trim of the eaves;
- the roof gables, including the brackets, angled wood cladding, sunburst motif, and bargeboard of the gables;
- the fieldstone and limestone masonry;
- the placement and the half round or segmental shape of the original window and door openings;
- all original art glass in the window sashes;
- the segmental shaped inserts with applied wood scrollwork within the window openings;
- the clay floor tiles of the south entrance vestibule;
- the tongue and groove, wood ceiling of the south entrance vestibule;
- the form, massing, and style of the two sided open verandah on the south and east facades; and
- the form, massing, and style of the open verandah at the northwest corner of the dwelling.

Further information is available from the Office of the Clerk of the City of Orillia.

Notice of an objection to the proposed designation may be served on the CAO/City Clerk, City of Orillia, 50 Andrew Street South, Suite 300, Orillia, Ontario, L3V 7T5, within thirty days of Thursday, November 2, 2017, which is Monday, December 4, 2017. The notice must set out the reason(s) for the objection, and all relevant facts.

Dated at Orillia this 2nd day of November, 2017

Gayle C. Jackson
CAO/City Clerk