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September 7, 2016

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

Re: Notice of Intention to Designate  
Ontario Heritage Act  
Beckett's Reserve – McFarland House c. 1840 – Stephen Beatty House 1879  
located at 10 Canby Street, City of Thorold, Ontario

Please find enclosed herewith a copy of a Notice of Intention to Designate the above noted property in accordance with Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter O.18. This notice will be published in Niagara This Week on September 8, 2016.

You have been notified as required under the provisions of Section 29(3) of the Act.

I trust this is in order.

Yours truly,

Adele Arbour, MCIP, RPP  
Director of Planning & Building Services

AA:cr  
Attach.

cc: Heritage Thorold LACAC  
D. Delvecchio, City Clerk  
Mr. and Mrs. Saric, Owners

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**City of Thorold**

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## NOTICE OF INTENTION TO DESIGNATE

IN THE MATTER OF THE ONTARIO HERITAGE ACT, R.S.O. 1990, CHAPTER 0.18 AND IN THE MATTER OF THE LANDS AT THE FOLLOWING LOCATION IN THE CITY OF THOROLD, IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.

**TAKE NOTICE** that the Council of the Corporation of the City of Thorold intends to designate Beckett's Reserve – McFarland House c. 1840 – Stephen Beatty House 1879 located at 10 Canby Street, Port Robinson of historical, architectural and cultural heritage value or interest under Part IV of The Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 2005 Chapter 0.18, Section 29.

### REASONS FOR THE PROPOSED DESIGNATION:

Beckett's Reserve – McFarland House c. 1840 – Stephen Beatty House 1879  
10 Canby Street  
Plan M5, Lot 39  
Port Robinson, Ontario

#### Cultural Heritage Value

The history of and the people associated with this site highlight the prominent position that Port Robinson enjoyed in Upper Canadian and early post-Confederation Canadian history. 10 Canby Street bears witness to an impressive cultural heritage legacy through historical linkages with a range of community leaders and innovators not only in the village of Port Robinson itself, but throughout Ontario as a whole. These range from UEL descendants and Welland Canal supervisor, to demobilized military figures and medical pioneers.

#### Historical Value

The site initially belonged to the descendant of a family of Loyalist Quakers who settled in Pelham – Edwood Beckett, before it was sold to the entrepreneur Duncan McFarland in 1836. Here, the first house appears to have been built in c.1840. From 1847 the property was associated with the medical pioneer and later President of the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Ontario, Dr. Duncan Campbell. Acquired in 1855 by an official of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Welland Canal and Superintendent of nearby St. Paul's Church, John Beatty, the house was rebuilt by his son Stephen – a hero of the Battle of Ridgeway, in 1879. In 1887 it became home to one of Thorold Township's most cherished family doctors – Dr. Hugh Park for nearly three decades.

#### Architectural Value

With its front gable plan, the L-shaped timber-framed house at 10 Canby Street exhibits a combination of Classic and Gothic revival designs commonly seen in houses in Thorold and Thorold Township from the mid to late 19<sup>th</sup> century. This classical revival style seems to verify a stately conservatism that was in keeping with the social aspirations of the family who purchased the original building and then built the one that stands on the site today.

This house probably underwent at least two major expansions – expansion of the original c. 1840 house around 1879, and second, during the Park family tenure at the end of the 19<sup>th</sup> Century. Further renovations by the Balint family from the mid-twentieth century involved some minor expansion, but overall regeneration of the existing structure.

Further information respecting the proposed designation is available in the Planning and Building Services Department during regular office hours, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday to Friday, 3540 Schmon Parkway, Thorold.

Any person may object to the proposed designation within thirty (30) days after the date of the publication of the Notice of Intention by serving on the Clerk of the Corporation of the City of Thorold a notice of objection setting out the reason for the objection and all relevant facts. The last day for filing objections will be **Monday October 11, 2016**. All objections received within the aforementioned time period will be referred to the Heritage Conservation Review Board for a hearing and report.

**DATED at the City of Thorold this 8<sup>th</sup> day of September 2016.**

Donna Delvecchio, City Clerk  
Corporation of the City of Thorold  
P.O. Box 1044, 3540 Schmon Parkway  
Thorold, Ontario L2V 4A7