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July 17, 1995

## IN THE MATTER OF THE ONTARIO HERITAGE ACT, R.S.O. 1980, CHAPTER 337

AND IN THE MATTER OF THE LANDS AND PREMISES AT THE FOLLOWING MUNICIPAL ADDRESS IN THE CITY OF STRATFORD IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO

## NOTICE OF INTENTION TO DESIGNATE

To:

Ontario Heritage Foundation 10 Adelaide Street, East Toronto, Ontario M5C 1J3

TAKE NOTICE that the Council of the Corporation of the City of Stratford intends to designate the property at the following municipal address as a property of architectural and historical value or interest under Part IV, of The Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1980, Chapter 337.

## 227 Cambria Street - Reasons for Designation

Architectural - 227 Cambria Street is situated on Lots 2 and 3 of the Alexander Survey. Its location at the south end of Shrewsbury Street makes it the focal point of the streetscape in this neighbourhood. The residence is a yellow brick, triple gable Gothic Revival Ontario House, built during 1873 and 1874. The front facade had a one storey verandah extending the full width of the house. This structure has been removed. At present, marks on the bricks show the location of the verandah and good documentation is provided by an old photograph. Original bargeboard and finials are present on the three front gables. The front entrance consists of a segmented semi-elliptical transom window and single door flanked by sidelights. Brick voussoirs trim the entrance. The windows over the entrance are narrow, paired, double-hung with semicircular tops. The remaining windows of the front facade are wider, 2/2, also with wooden sash surrounded by voussoirs over wooden lag sills. The single brick chimney is present in the east end of the main roof. Another newer, non period

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chimney, has been replaced in the west end. The above mentioned details are all worthy of designation. It is of interest to note the interior of the attic has remnants of the original cedar shake roof and sections of a "Jumbo the Elephant" billboard which were incorporated into the structure of the roof.

Historical - James MacDonald, one of the founders of the MacDonald Threshing Company which operated in Stratford from 1875 to 1931, resided in this home. The house remained in the MacDonald family from 1896 to 1963.

Notice of objection to the proposed designation, together with a statement of the reasons for the objection and all relevant facts, shall be served on the Clerk of the City of Stratford, before the 1st day of August, 1995.

DATED at the City of Stratford this 17th day of July, 1995

Ronald R Shaw City Clerk-Administrator