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# IN THE MATTER OF THE ONTARIO HERITAGE ACT SECTION 29, R.S.O. 1990, CHAPTER 0.18

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:

16 Norman Street STRATFORD ON N5A 5R5

AND TO:

Ontario Heritage Trust 10 Adelaide Street East TORONTO ON M5C 1J3

TAKE NOTICE that 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 Section 29, of the *Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter 0.18:* 

#### 16 NORMAN STREET, STRATFORD - REASONS FOR DESIGNATION

#### ARCHITECTURAL DETAILS:

Italianate Style; visual quality of the building (proportion, scale, detail), in the context of its architectural style: **Excellent.** 

Materials, functional quality of building (effectiveness of materials, layout and method of construction): **Excellent.** 

Quality of workmanship and handling of materials as well as state of repair: **Very Good.** Integrity of historical relationship between building and its associated landscaped: **Retained.** 

Building reinforces the present character of the area with which it is associated: **Example** of Upscale Victorian Model Home.

Conspicuous or familiar landmark within the area with which it is associated: **Imposing Example of Italianate Style.** 

Contribution to streetscape and city: Excellent

# Exterior Details Worthy of Designation

Assymetrical Front Gable with 2nd Floor Covered Balcony Quality workmanship and detailing of Brackets, Window and Door Moldings and Fretwork

Outstanding detailed Vestibule

Detailed Fretwork of upper Balcony and wraparound Verandah (replica from 1990's based on photo reference and remaining upper balcony)

Situated in Middle of large landscaped lot on rise before gradient fall to Avon River Exterior Windows, Doors

## Interior Details Worthy of Designation

Italianate Fireplace (Palour, Main Bedroom 2nd Floor) copied in wood (not original marble) by Scrimgeour Bros.

Mahogany (?) Main Curved Staircase

Plasterwork Molding Ceiling Medalion in Palour

Hall Archway Cast Plaster Molding

Interior Doors, Windows and Moldings

# HISTORY OF HOUSE 16 NORMAN STREET Lot History

Lot 389 Size roughly 135 foot square

Built 1874-1875 by the Scrimgeour Bros., a prominent Stratford building and contracting firm

(Italianate Style buildings, in the Stratford area, were built between the 1870's and the early 1890's.)

Summer Kitchen extension built in the 1890's?

The Scrimgeour Bros principals were David (born Feb 23, .1843, died March 21, 1906, aged 63) and Alexander Scrimgeour (died Jan 27,1890, aged 55) whose family had emigrated from Perthshire, Scotland, to Stratford in the 1847.

Scrimgeour Bros.' operations included a planning mill and a sash, door and molding and blind factory and these would have supplied the splendid wood details and decoration of this house both inside and out.

The house was apparently built as a rental property.

David Scrimgeour was Mayor of Stratford in 1882, and appointed tax collector in 18%. In 1892 he was a Conservative candidate for the House of Commons.

Early tenants included an A.R. Williams, a manufacturer, John E. Harding, a barrister, and a Mrs. Georgina Smith who finally bought the house from the Scrimgeours in the 1890's.

The house was in the McIlhargey family from 1910 until 1992.

Clement McIlhargey (was a member of the City Council, Chairman of the Board of Parks Management, Water Commission, Hospital Trust and owned a flour and feed business which later changed to a retail grocery (Stratford Wholesale Grocery Company then National Grocers Company)

The house then belonged to Terry Finlay (who reproduced the verandah from original drawings and the second floor balcony in the 1990's) until 2005 when it was bought by

If any person wishes to object to the proposed designation, a Notice of Objection, together with a statement of the reasons for the objection and all relevant facts, must be served on the Clerk of the City of Stratford NO LATER THAN 4:30 p.m. on May 14, 2012. The *Ontario Heritage Act* provides that where a notice of objection has been served on the Clerk, the Council shall refer the matter to the Conservation Review Board for a hearing.

DATED at the City of Stratford this 14th day of April, 2012.

Joan Thomson - City Clerk