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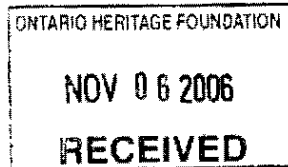


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**IN THE MATTER OF THE ONTARIO HERITAGE ACT**  
**SECTION 29, R.S.O. 1990, CHAPTER 0.18**

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: [REDACTED]  
67 Douro Street  
Stratford, ON N5A 3R2

AND TO: Ontario Heritage Foundation  
10 Adelaide Street East  
TORONTO ON M5C 1J3

Ministry of Culture  
Heritage & Libraries Branch  
400 University Avenue, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor  
TORONTO ON M7A 2R9

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*:

**67 Douro Street, STRATFORD – REASONS FOR DESIGNATION**

**ARCHITECTURAL DETAILS:**

Italianate Style; visual quality of building (proportion, scale, detail), in the context of its architectural style or type excellent; functional quality of building (effectiveness of materials, layout and method of construction), excellent; quality of workmanship, handling of materials and state of repair excellent; retains the integrity of its historical relationship between itself and its associated landscape; reinforces present character of area with which it is associated; conspicuous or familiar landmark in its area.

**Exterior Details Worthy Of Designation:**

Original one storey summer kitchen 'tail' south side; all quoins; bay windows north side; front entrance (north side) with square transom and sidelights and Georgian-style trim; protruding single storey bay window (parlour) at west bay with original bracket trim and original windows; single storey bay window with original bracket trim (dining room) and original windows east side; any original stone sills; any decorative rounded 'pillow-like' brick details below window sills; any inverted arch details at quoins below roof; second storey (filled in) window opening which retains original wooden shutters (closed) and hinges west side; original dentil work west, north and east sides of house; original finely-detailed paired wooden brackets on west, north

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and east sides of the two storey part of house; centre peak with original wood trim north side of house; arched attic opening with stone sill and new wooden louvered shutter (2005); all original soffits; Italianate-style covered porch added in 2006 to blend with original intact details; all original double sash windows; all original brick.

#### Interior Details Worthy Of Designation:

All original window casings in the parlour and dining room; plaster ceiling medallion in dining room.

#### HISTORY OF HOUSE

##### Lot History:

- Built for David Agnew, locomotive engineer, Grand Trunk Railway, in 1880.
- David Agnew one of the best known railwaymen in the city. He was born in Brantford but spent most of his life in Stratford. He was an engineer for the railway for thirty years. He died in March, 1915.
- The Agnew family owned and lived in the house 1880-1918.
- The second long-term owner was Frank E. Baker, who purchased the house in 1922. He was a conductor for the Canadian National Railway. He was born in Stratford on July 11, 1883. He died in April, 1959. He lived in Stratford all his life.
- The Baker family owned the house 1922-1938.
- The third long-term owner was Fred J. Buckingham, who purchased the house in 1946. He was a machinist for the Canadian National Railway. He was born in Buckinghamshire, England and was the son of George and Sarah Buckingham. He came to Stratford in 1910. He was a machinist with the CNR until the shops closed in Stratford. He served overseas in the First World War. He was past president of the Royal Canadian Legion, Branch 8, Stratford, and had received the highest award in Zone C2 (the Legion Meritorious Service Medal). He died in April, 1989.
- The Buckingham family owned the house 1946-1986.
- The house was duplexed in 1958 or 1959.

NOTE: This house has a connection with the railway history of Stratford. Besides David Agnew, Frank E. Baker and Fred J. Buckingham, these other railwaymen lived in the house: Howard King (worked for CNR), George F. Foster (special agent for CNR), Edgar Thomas (worked for CNR). For 106 years railway people occupied the house.

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 December 4, 2006. 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 4<sup>th</sup> day of November 2006.

  
Joan L. Thomson – City Clerk