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ONTARIO HERITAGE TRUST

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Attn: Melissa McKenzie, Executive Director

**Re: Designation of The Ottawa Rowing Club Boathouse, 8-10 Lady Grey Drive, Under Part IV of the *Ontario Heritage Act***

Dear Ms. McKenzie,

This is to advise you that the Council of the City of Ottawa, at its meeting of June 13, 2018, approved the following recommendation as contained in Planning Committee Report 64, Item 8:

**That Council issue a Notice of Intention to Designate the property located at 8-10 Lady Grey Drive, known as The Ottawa Rowing Club, as a property of cultural heritage value and interest under Part IV of the *Ontario Heritage Act* according to the amended Statement of Cultural Heritage Value, attached as Document 5.**

*(note: the Statement of Cultural Heritage Value was amended to correct the description of the siding from clapboard to shiplap)*

A copy of the original report in its entirety, as well as the Disposition of the City Council meeting June 13, 2018, can be found on the City's website at [Ottawa.ca/agendas](http://Ottawa.ca/agendas).

Should you require further information, please contact MacKenzie Kimm, Heritage Planner, Planning, Infrastructure & Economic Development Department, directly at (613) 580- 2424, extension 15203 or by email at [MacKenzie.Kimm@ottawa.ca](mailto:MacKenzie.Kimm@ottawa.ca).

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Regards,

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## IN THE MATTER OF THE ONTARIO HERITAGE ACT

### **Notice of Intention to Designate**

The City of Ottawa on June 13, 2018, established its intention to designate The Ottawa Rowing Club Boathouse, at 8-10 Lady Grey Drive under Part IV of the *Ontario Heritage Act* for its cultural heritage value.

### **Description of Property- The Ottawa Rowing Club, 8-10 Lady Grey Drive**

The Ottawa Rowing Club property contains a two-storey, timber-frame structure with horizontal shiplap siding and a gambrel roof broken by pointed gables. It features a two bay boathouse on the ground floor, with clubhouse space above. It is located at the east end of Lady Grey Drive on the shoreline of the Ottawa River and west of the Macdonald Cartier Bridge.

### **Statement of Cultural Heritage Value**

The Ottawa Rowing Club boathouse has design and physical value as a rare example of 19th century recreational architecture in Ottawa and as one of the oldest boathouses in Canada. Constructed circa 1898, the building has several unique architectural features including the broken gambrel roof and open beamed ceilings. The functional form of the structure is embellished with details such as a complex roofline, canted corners and decorative fenestration. The boathouse has a high degree of architectural integrity, with most of its original design and materials intact.

The boathouse has historical value as an artifact of an era when water-based sports, particularly rowing, were becoming popular sporting events in Canada, and is representative of 19th century middle-class leisure and recreation. The Ottawa Rowing Club is directly associated with several individuals who figure largely in Ottawa's history, including Sir John A. Macdonald, the club's first president, as well as vice presidents Allan Gilmour, and Robert Lyon who were instrumental in the club's formation in 1867. Philip D. Ross, owner of the Ottawa Journal, was also a subsequent president of the club and part of the committee responsible for arranging the purchase of the boathouse's permanent location at its current site.

The boathouse has contextual value as a landmark structure at the edge of the Ottawa River. The boathouse is physically, functionally, and historically linked to its



surroundings set into the foot of the cliff along Lady Grey Drive, which has remained in use for more than a century. It is visually linked to its surroundings as an important character producing aspect of this area along the River.

## OBJECTIONS

Any person wishing to object to this designation may do so by letter, outlining the reasons for the objection and any other relevant information. This letter must be received by the Clerk of the City of Ottawa either by registered mail or personally delivered within 30 days of the publication of this notice. When a notice of objection has been received, the Council of the City of Ottawa will refer the matter to the Conservation Review Board for a hearing and a report.

For more information please contact:

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Dated at Ottawa this 14<sup>th</sup> day of June 2018

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