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In the Matter of the *Ontario Heritage Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c.O. 18

And in the Matter of the Lands and Premises
Known Municipally as 26 Concession Street West, Bowmanville
in The Municipality of Clarington

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Notice of Intention to Designate

To: [REDACTED]
26 Concession Street West
Bowmanville, ON L1C 1Y5

Take Notice that the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Clarington intends to designate the building located at 26 Concession Street West, Bowmanville, in the Municipality of Clarington, as a property of architectural and historical value under Part IV of the *Ontario Heritage Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c.O.18.

Reasons for Proposed Designation

Description of Property

26 Concession Street West, known as Dundurn, is a one and half storey residence located on a large lot on the north side of Concession Street West in Bowmanville.

Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest

Dundurn's physical heritage value lies in it being an excellent example of a country villa built in the Regency style with Gothic Revival details. Built in 1854 on a spacious parcel, it is one of the earliest brick houses in Bowmanville. It features an upper storey gable in the centre of the front façade. All the windows are surmounted by wooden hood mouldings, a decorative element associated with the Gothic Revival style. The bargeboard that adorns the eaves is light and lacy in character unlike the heavier bargeboard that was used later in the century. The front door is surrounded by a rectangular transom and sidelights and there are two pairs of French doors on either side of the main entrance. A columned porte-cochere extending from the east side of the house and an open veranda similarly supported by large columns at the front of the house were early 20th century additions to the house.

Dundurn's associative heritage value lies in its association with two prominent local residents, Reverend Dr. Alexander MacNab and John Milne. Dr. Alexander MacNab (1811-1891) was appointed as the first Rector in charge of the Anglican Church for Darlington Township in 1854 and had Dundurn built as his family's residence in the same year. He most likely named the house 'Dundurn' after his ancestral home in Scotland. A relative Sir Allan Napier MacNab who was Prime Minister of the United Canada's from 1854 to 1856 had 'Dundurn Castle' built in Hamilton. Dr. Alexander MacNab lived at Dundurn until 1867 when he sold it to local merchant and politician, John Milne (1822-1889). John Milne was a member of the first Town Council in 1858 and ran for Parliament as a Conservative in 1863 and 1867. He was a friend of Sir John A. Macdonald who is reported to have visited Dundurn several times including for a garden party on Dundurn's grounds while also having slept in the south-east bedroom.

The home has been owned and well maintained by [REDACTED] since the 1950's, over 60 years.

Typical to the Regency style, Dundurn's contextual heritage value lies in its original siting on spacious grounds which visually underscores the stately nature of the dwelling and provides expansive views of the house from the street.

Description of Heritage Attributes

Key heritage attributes that exemplify the heritage value of Dundurn as an excellent example of a Regency villa designed with Gothic Revival details include:

- The front façade roof gable
- The brick façade
- The front door with its rectangular transom and sidelights
- The wooden hooded mouldings above the windows
- The bargeboard adorning the eaves
- The columned porte-cochere
- The columned front veranda
- The original location in the centre of the lot

Further information respecting the proposed designation is available from the Municipality of Clarington.

Any person may, within thirty (30) days of the publication of this notice, send by Registered Mail or deliver to the Municipal Clerk of the Municipality of Clarington, notice of his or her objection to the proposed designation, together with a statement of the reasons for the objection and all relevant facts. If such a notice of objection is received, the Council of the Municipality of Clarington shall refer the matter to the Conservation Review Board for a hearing.

Dated at the Municipality of Clarington this 11th day of July, 2018



C. Anne Greentree, BA, CMO
Municipal Clerk
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Bowmanville, ON L1C 3A6