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Corporate Services
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Town of Aurora 100 John West Way, Box 1000, Aurora, ON L4G 6J1

August 9th, 2018

Via Registered Mail

Ms. Erin Semande
Ontario Heritage Trust
Heritage Programs and Operation
10 Adelaide Street East
Toronto, Ontario M5C 1J3

ONTARIO HERITAGE TRUST

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Dear Ms. Semande,

RE: Notice of Intention to Designate a Property to be of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest

15221Yonge Street Sterling Bank

Part of Lot 1, E/S Yonge Street, Plan 68, Part 1, Plan 65R-1833, together with R282286, subject to an easement over Part 3 on 65R-36371 in favour of Part of Lot 2, E/S Yonge Street, Plan 68 as in YR2474705, together with an easement over Part of Lot 2, E/S Yonge Street, Plan 68 as Part 2, Plan 65R-36371 as in YR2474704, Town of Aurora, Regional Municipality of York, being all of PIN 03651-0033 (LT)

Please find attached a Notice of Intention to Designate, which includes a statement explaining the Cultural Heritage Value or Interest and a description of the heritage attributes of the above-noted property.

Pursuant to Section 29(3) of the *Ontario Heritage Act*, this Notice will be published in a newspaper having general circulation in the municipality (The Auroran) on August 9th, 2018.

Yours sincerely,

Michael De Rond

Town Clerk

Attach.

c. Marco Ramunno, Planning and Development Services

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO DESIGNATE A BUILDING OF CULTURAL HERITAGE VALUE OR INTEREST

TAKE NOTICE THAT the Council of The Corporation of the Town of Aurora intends to designate the following property as a property of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest pursuant to the provisions of Section 29 of the *Ontario Heritage Act*, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter O.18, as amended. A brief statement of reasons is included.

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Description of Property

The property known municipally as 15221 Yonge Street contains a 2 storey brick commercial building designed in a commercial-oriented Edwardian Classicism architectural style located in the heart of Aurora's historic downtown on the east side Yonge Street.

Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest

Sited on the former location of the McNally Block, the Sterling Bank of Canada built this structure to serve as a bank branch until 1943. At the closure of the bank, Aurora's Town Council resolved to purchase the building to serve as its municipal offices. The building served as Aurora's Town Hall between 1943 and 1976. The building continues to include a variety of commercial uses. As a functioning commercial building and a former institutional building, Sterling Bank remains symbolically and sentimentally significant to the identity of the historic downtown and linked to the growth and development of Aurora during the mid-20th century.

Description of Heritage Attributes

Important to the preservation of the property are the original key attributes that express its value, which include:

Exterior Elements

- a flat roof and stone cornice;
- features unique stone decorations, including brackets, trim and quoining;
- entrance is flanked by shallow stone pilasters topped by S-shaped brackets, which support a simple classic cornice.

DETAILED REASONS FOR THE PROPOSED DESIGNATION CAN BE OBTAINED BY CONTACTING THE UNDERSIGNED.

Pursuant to Section 29(5) of the *Ontario Heritage Act*, any person may, before 4:30 p.m. on the **10**th **day of September 2018**, (within 30 days of the publication of this notice) send by registered mail or deliver to the Town Clerk, Notice of Objection to the proposed designation, together with a statement setting out the reasons for the objection and all relevant facts. If a Notice of Objection is received, the Council of the Town of Aurora will refer the matter to the Conservation Review Board for a hearing and a report.

Further information respecting the proposed designation is available from the Town Clerk's Office upon request.

DATED at Aurora this August 9th, 2018

Michael De Rond, Town Clerk, Town of Aurora, 100 John West Way, Box 1000, Aurora, ON, L4G 6J1