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**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.

15218-15220 Yonge Street

The Clift Block

Part of Lot 14, W/S Yonge Street, Plan 9 as in R366174, except easements therein, Town of Aurora, Regional Municipality of York, being all of PIN 03652-0050 (LT)

Description of Property

The property known municipally as 15218-15220 Yonge Street contains a 2 storey brick commercial building designed in an Italianate architectural style located in the heart of Aurora's historic downtown on the west side Yonge Street.

Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest

In 1887, a fire destroyed many commercial structures on the west side of Yonge Street. After the fire, the Clift Block was built in conjunction with the Odd Fellows and Andrews Block to the south. The building was constructed in 1887 for William B. Clift, a grocer who also sold china and other goods. During its history the building contained a number of long-standing commercial businesses, including the Aurora Banner who occupied the northern section of the building for over sixty-five years and a series of jewelers who occupied the southern section of the building for over ninety years. In recent years, the northern section of the building has operated as a law office and the southern section was used as a restaurant.

Description of Heritage Attributes

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

Exterior Elements

- 1880's style flat roof and brick work
- extended parapet is placed above the middle third of the front elevation;
- two brick pilasters which evenly divide the second floor into three sections;
- fenestration on the front elevation features three window openings, each capped with a brick voussoir and evenly spaced between the brick column partitions;
- rear elevation features a brick façade with original window and cellar openings.
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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 **10th 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



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August 9th, 2018

Via Registered Mail

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

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Dear Ms. Semande,

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

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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 Auran) on August 9th, 2018.

Yours sincerely,

Michael De Rond
Town Clerk

Attach.

c. Marco Ramunno, Planning and Development Services