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Please find enclosed a Notice of Intention to Repeal and a Notice of Intention to Designate for the property known municipally as 50 Victoria Avenue North, Lindsay.

The last date for objections is April 27, 2022. If no objections are filed by 4:00 p.m. on that date with the clerk of the municipality, Council will proceed to pass a bylaw designating the property at the next available Council meeting.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

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Notice: Intention to Designate Property under the Ontario Heritage Act

Take Notice that the Council of the City of Kawartha Lakes, on March 22, 2022 passed a resolution of intent to designate the following property under Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, c.18, as a property of cultural heritage value or interest:

50 Victoria Avenue North, Lindsay
LT 11 N/S FRANCIS ST, 12 N/S FRANCIS ST, 13 N/S FRANCIS ST PL TOWN
PLOT; KAWARTHA LAKES

Statement of Reasons for Designation

Design and Physical Value

50 Victoria Avenue North has design and physical value as an excellent and representative example of a mid-nineteenth century jail constructed in the Romanesque Revival style. This style, which was widely used in public buildings, including correctional facilities, across North America in the mid- to late-nineteenth century, is characterized by its use of heavy masonry including rough faced stone, rounded arches, deep window and door openings, compact and block plans, and a massive and imposing appearance. The former jail includes many of these key features, including its bands of large round arched windows on the west elevation and recessed central entrance. The property is representative of the use of this style in correctional facilities in Ontario in the mid-nineteenth century. It is also unique as the primary correctional facility in the former Victoria County and the largest historic jail in the municipality.

Historical and Associative Value

50 Victoria Avenue North has historical and associated value as the former Victoria County jail. Constructed in 1863, the building was designed by noted Toronto architecture William G. Storm whose firm, Cumberland and Storm, was one of the most prominent architectural firms in nineteenth century Ontario and designed a significant number of institutional buildings, including jails, throughout the province. The building was constructed when Victoria County separated from Peterborough County to become its own municipality and the new jail was intended to bring the judicial centre of the county into Lindsay, as opposed to Peterborough. The building served continuously as a correctional facility until 2003 with the construction of the Central East Correctional Facility. It yields information regarding the history of criminal justice and incarceration in both the former Town of Lindsay and Victoria



County as well as the role of Lindsay more broadly as a regional administrative centre beginning in the mid-nineteenth century.

Contextual Value

50 Victoria Avenue North has contextual value as a local landmark. The jail is known and recognized throughout the community as the former provincial jail. It is situated at a prominent location at the intersection of Victoria Avenue North and Colborne Street West. The property is historically and visually linked to its surroundings on the block which contain the former Victoria County Courthouse, now used as the City of Kawartha Lakes City Hall, and the former Land Registry Office. These three buildings formed a key administrative and legal centre in the former Victoria County and retain their visual coherence through their historic architectural forms and continued use as important community institutions.

Further information respecting the proposed designation is available at the City's Economic Development Department. Any objection to this designation must be filed within 30 days of March 29, 2022. Objections should be directed to: Cathie Richie, Clerk, City of Kawartha Lakes, P.O. Box 9000, 26 Francis Street, Lindsay, ON K9V 5R8.

Any inquiries may be directed to:

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