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February 23, 2022  
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Dear [REDACTED]

**RE: Designation of 190 Laurier Avenue East under Part IV of the *Ontario Heritage Act***

This is to advise you that Ottawa City Council, at its meeting of February 23, 2022, approved the following recommendation(s) in respect of the above-noted item:

**That Council issue a Notice of Intention to designate 190 Laurier Avenue East under Part IV of the *Ontario Heritage Act* according to the Statement of Cultural Heritage Value, attached as Document 5.**

A copy of the complete report in this matter, as well as the Disposition/Minutes of the City Council meeting of February 23, 2022, can be found on the City's website at [ottawa.ca/agendas](http://ottawa.ca/agendas).

Enclosed is the Notice of Intention to Designate, served according to the *Ontario Heritage Act*, to be published in *Le Droit* and the *Ottawa Citizen* on March 5, 2022. You will have 30 days from the publication date to file an objection to the designation.

Should you wish to object to the designation, you may do so by submitting an objection in writing, outlining the reasons for the objection and any other relevant information. The letter must be received by the Clerk of the City of Ottawa within 30 days of the publication of this notice. The letter can be sent by registered mail to the City Clerk at 110 Laurier Avenue

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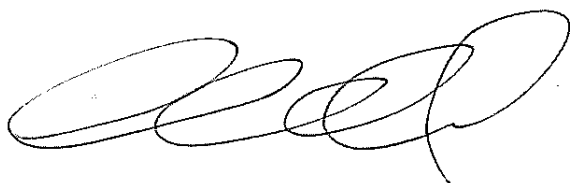
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West, Ottawa, Ontario, K1P 1J1, or can be delivered in person, by appointment. To make an appointment, please contact Eric Pelot, committee coordinator, at (613) 580-2424, ext. 22953, or at [eric.pelot@ottawa.ca](mailto:eric.pelot@ottawa.ca). When an objection has been received, the Council of the City of Ottawa will refer the matter to the Conservation Review Board for a hearing.

Should you require further information, please contact Adrian van Wyk, Planner I, directly at (613) 580-2424 x21607 or by email at [Adrian.vanWyk@ottawa.ca](mailto:Adrian.vanWyk@ottawa.ca).

Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of several loops and a long horizontal stroke, likely belonging to M. Rick O'Connor.

Deputy Clerk for M. Rick O'Connor, CMO, LLB  
City Clerk

c.c.      Adrian van Wyk, Planner I (by email)  
            Ontario Heritage Trust (10 Adelaide Street East, 3rd Floor, Toronto, Ontario, M5C 1J3)

Encl.

## IN THE MATTER OF THE *ONTARIO HERITAGE ACT*

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

The City of Ottawa, on February 23, 2022, established its intention to designate 190 Laurier Avenue East, under Part IV of the *Ontario Heritage Act* for its cultural heritage value.

### **Description of Property – 190 Laurier Avenue East**

The property located at 190 Laurier Avenue East contains a two-and-one-half storey, semi-detached red clay brick house constructed circa 1886 with an expansive front yard and corner lot coverage on the south east corner of Laurier Avenue East and King Edward Avenue.

### **Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest**

The Dr. Robert Law House has cultural heritage value as a representative example of the Queen Anne Revival style, for its associations with Dr. Robert Law, and the early development of the former By Estate in Sandy Hill. The property is a landmark at the corner of Laurier Avenue East and King Edward Avenue.

The Law House has design value as a representative example of the Queen Anne Revival style which was popular in Canada in the late 19<sup>th</sup> century and frequently used for wealthy upper middle-class houses. Features typical of this style exhibited on this house include its asymmetrical composition, prominent front porches, segmental arched window openings, and decorative wood and brick elements including a distinctive second storey balcony.

The Law House is associated with the early development of the former By Estate of Sandy Hill, located south of Laurier Avenue and was one of the first to be developed on the south side of Laurier Avenue East. 190 Laurier Avenue East is historically associated Ottawa's former Medical Officer of Health Dr. Robert Law, who was a prominent public health figure during the city's typhoid epidemics of the early 20<sup>th</sup> century and the 1918-19 Spanish influenza pandemic. Dr. Law is credited with assisting in advancing public health in Ottawa and devising the City's responses to multiple public health emergencies. Dr. Law resided in this house from 1912 to 1948 and practised medicine from his home office, until his retirement.

The Dr. Robert Law House has contextual value in defining the character of this section of Sandy Hill, it is one of the only remaining historic buildings in the immediate vicinity. The house also has contextual value as a landmark due to its location at a prominent intersection, across the street from the Panet House, 189 Laurier Avenue East, its deep setback and expansive front yard and its role as a gateway to the Sandy Hill neighbourhood and University of Ottawa campus.

## **Heritage Attributes**

The key exterior elements that contribute to the design or physical value of 190 Laurier Avenue East as a representative example of the Queen Anne Revival style include its:

- Two- and one-half storey, irregular massing
- Stone foundation,
- Truncated hipped roof with dormers
- Red brick construction with decorative brick detailing and chimneys
- Segmental arched window openings with brick voussoirs and stone sills
- Segmental arched wooden casement and sash windows in various styles;
- Decorative wood elements including finials and pendants,
- Wooden porches on Laurier and King Edward Avenues including elements such as:
  - Classically inspired pediments and entablatures,
  - Decorative wood brackets and dentils,
  - Fluted columns,
  - Stone piers, and
  - Low, turned balusters and stone knee walls,
- First storey bay window and distinctive second storey balcony above including the following architectural details:
  - Low, panelled wooden balustrade,
  - Square columns,
  - Open brackets springing from capitals,
  - Diagonal clapboard gable end, and
  - Decorative finial and pendant

The key exterior elements that contribute to the contextual value of 190 Laurier Avenue East as a landmark include its:

- Corner lot coverage and deep setbacks
- Expansive open front lawn and mature street trees, that visually distinguish this building from its surroundings.

The interior of the building and the attached garage are excluded from the designation.

## **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 at 110 Laurier Avenue West, Ottawa, Ontario, K1P 1J1, 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 consider the objection and make a decision whether or not to withdraw the notice of intention to designate the property within 90 days after the end of the 30-day objection period.

For further information or a complete copy of the Statement of Cultural Heritage Value  
please contact:

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