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March 11, 2022

A/Provincial Heritage Registrar, Ontario Heritage Act
Ontario Heritage Trust
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Dear Erin Semande,

Re: Designation of a Property, Ontario Heritage Act

The Council of the Town of New Tecumseth has designated the following property for reasons of cultural heritage value or interest pursuant to Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990:

The Wright House
130 Wellington St. W
Alliston, ON

By-Law Number 2022-022, along with a statement of significance/reasons for the designation is attached.

Notice of appeals to the by-law will be received on or before 4:30pm on April 8, 2022, at the following address:

Clerk's Department, Town of New Tecumseth
Attention: Pamela Fettes
10 Wellington Street East
Alliston, ON, L9R 1A1

Sincerely,
Vanessa Lio
Coordinator, Heritage, and Collections
Museum on the Boyne – 250 Fletcher Crescent, Alliston
Direct: 705-415-2965



The Corporation of the Town of New Tecumseth In the matter of the Ontario Heritage Act, 1990
R.S.O. Chapter O.18
130 Wellington St. W, Alliston, New Tecumseth, Province of Ontario

Take notice that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of New Tecumseth has designated, under Part IV, Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act the façade and all exterior walls of the building known municipally as 130 Wellington Street West (the Wright house), PT LTS 33 & 34, PL 122, AS IN R01264000 in the Town of New Tecumseth (Alliston), in the County of Simcoe, in the Province of Ontario.

Reasons for Designation:

The property known municipally as 130 Wellington Street West, is a 19th century brick, late Victorian-hybrid style, known for its association with prominent citizens and brothers William and Hugh Wright. They were carpenters and builders and responsible for building the house at 130 Wellington St. W. They also built Alliston's first tennis court, to the west of the house. After the great fire of 1891, the brothers erected a building that housed businesses below and apartments above. This is known as the Wright block, and today its address is 23-29 Victoria St. W. The House's exterior character-defining attributes include: the south, east and west exterior walls with the names and dates of people who lived and visited the house over the years engraved into the bricks, the east exterior wall which shows evidence of the home's evolution over time- including the coal chute, the front façade with the period appropriate porch addition, and the repair of the north exterior wall, using the original brick.

For further information regarding the heritage attributes and designation of this property, please contact heritage@newtecumseth.ca

Any person may, within thirty days of the publication of this notice, send by registered mail or deliver to the Clerk notice of his or her appeal to the designation by-law, together with a statement of the reasons for the objection and all relevant facts. If an appeal to the by-law is received, the Council for the Corporation of the Town of New Tecumseth will refer the matter to the Conservation Review Board for a hearing and report.

Dated at the Town of New Tecumseth this 11th day of March 2022.

Vanessa Lio, Coordinator, Heritage, and Collections

The Corporation of the Town of
New Tecumseth

By-law

Number 2022-022

“Wright House Designation By-law”

A by-law to designate the façade and all exterior walls of the building known municipally as 130 Wellington Street West (the Wright House), PT LTS 33 & 34, PL 122, AS IN R01264000; New Tecumseth, as having cultural heritage value and interest

Whereas section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O., 1990 c. O. 18 as amended, authorizes the Council of a municipality to enact a by-law to designate a real property including all buildings and structures thereon, to be of cultural heritage value or interest;

And Whereas the Council of the Corporation of the Town of New Tecumseth has caused to be served on the owners of the lands and premises known as the Wright House, PT LTS 33 & 34, PL 122, AS IN R01264000; New Tecumseth, and upon the Ontario Heritage Trust, Notice of Intent to designate the façade and all exterior walls of the aforesaid property, and has caused such Notice of Intent to be published in a newspaper having general circulation in the Town;

And Whereas the Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest and the Description of Heritage Attributes are set out in Schedule “B” to the by-law;

And Whereas no Notice of Objection to the proposed designation has been served on the Clerk of the Town;

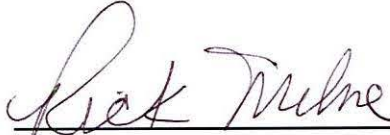
And Whereas this by-law is to be registered in the proper Land Registry Office with respect to the façade and all exterior walls of the property described in Schedule “A” to this by-law;

Now Therefore the Council of The Corporation of the Town of New Tecumseth does hereby enact as follows:

1. That the façade and exterior walls of the property known as the Wright House, PT LTS 33 & 34, PL 122, AS IN R01264000; New Tecumseth, more particularly described in Schedule “A”, is hereby designated as being of cultural heritage value and interest.
2. That the Clerk is hereby authorized to cause a copy of the by-law to be served on the owners of the aforesaid property and on the Ontario Heritage Trust and to cause notice of the passing of this by-law to be published in the same newspaper having general circulation in the Town.
3. That Schedules “A” and “B” are attached hereto and form part of this by-law.
4. That this by-law shall be cited as “Wright House Designation By-law”.

4. That this by-law shall come into force and take effect on the date of final passing thereof.

Read a first, second and third time and finally passed this 7th day of March, 2022.



Mayor



Clerk

Schedule "A"
to
By-law 2022-022

Legal Description

PT LTS 33 & 34, PL 122, AS IN R01264000; New Tecumseth

All singular those parcels or tracts of land and premises known as PT LTS 33 & 34, PL 122, AS IN R01264000; New Tecumseth and known municipally as 130 Wellington St. W, Alliston, in the Town of New Tecumseth.

Schedule "B"
to
By-law 2022-022

Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest:

The Wright House, located at 130 Wellington St. W, Alliston, in the Town of New Tecumseth is worthy of designation under Part IV, Section 29 of the *Ontario Heritage Act* for its cultural heritage value. It meets the provincial criteria for municipal designation under the categories of associative and contextual value. The property has historical and associative value for its link to the growth of Alliston.

Brothers William and Hugh McCulla Wright were prominent and instrumental citizens of Alliston, New Tecumseth and Hugh M. Wright was the owner and living at 130 Wellington St. W (subject property for designation), while his brother William and family lived on Wellington St. E, just west of Centre St. and close to one another. The brothers, along with their family, emigrated to Canada from Scotland in 1855.

Both William and Hugh were carpenters and builders and were responsible for building the house at 130 Wellington St. W. They also built Alliston's first tennis court, on the lots owned by Hugh to the west of the house (reaching Ontario St.). After the great fire of 1891 in Alliston, the Wright brothers erected a building that housed businesses below and apartments above. This is known as the Wright block, and today its address is 23-29 Victoria St. W. The Wright House has a clear historical, physical and visual relationship to its surroundings as a nucleus around which the community developed.

Description of Heritage Attributes:

The Wright House's exterior character-defining attributes include:

- North exterior wall which shows evidence of the home's evolution over time
- Carved out/engraved signatures of residents and guests on East, West and South Exterior walls
- Front façade
- Brickwork around coal chute repair (East wall)
- Evidence of a potential summer kitchen at North exterior wall