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February 3, 2023

Via Registered Mail and Email

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

Dear Ms. Semande,

RE: Notice of Intention to Designate 30 Properties to be of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest in the Town of Aurora

Please find attached the Notices of Intention to Designate for each of the 30 properties that were resolved by the Council of the Town of Aurora on June 21, 2022, to become designated. These Notices include a statement explaining the Cultural Heritage Value or Interest and a description of the heritage attributes for each property.

The 30 properties are as follows with each Notice of Intention to Designate attached:

16 Reuben Street	16-18 Mosley Street	17 Wellington Street East
19 Mosley Street	21 Machell Avenue	21 Victoria Street
31 Tyler Street	33 Mosley Street	35 Metcalfe Street
36 Wells Street	41 Wellington Street East	42 Wellington Street East
50 Mill Street	50 Tyler Street	50 Wellington Street East
53 Mosley Street	53 Wellington Street East	55 Metcalfe Street
56-58 Mosley Street	57 Mosley Street	68 Mosley Street
71 Tyler Street	73 Kennedy Street West	73 Wellington Street East
77 Wellington Street East	79 Victoria Street	81 Tyler Street
1978 Vandorf Sideroad	14314-14378 Yonge Street	15800 Yonge Street

The Town's Heritage Advisory Committee was also consulted, including through the meeting held on Monday, May 2, 2022. The Notices also outline the objection process, and pursuant to Section 29(3) of the *Ontario Heritage Act*, they will be published in a newspaper having general circulation in the municipality (The Auroran) and will also be served to each property owner.

Yours sincerely,

Michael de Rond
Town Clerk

Attach.

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- c. Adam Robb, Senior Planner, Planning and Development Services

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NOTICE OF INTENTION TO DESIGNATE 16 REUBEN STREET

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, c. O.18, as amended. A statement of reasons is included.

16 Reuben Street
The Kennedy Family House
Pt Lt 5 Pl 39 Aurora; Pt Lt 6 Pl 39 Aurora; Pt Lt 7 Pl 39 Aurora; Pt Lt 8 Pl
39 Aurora; Pts 2 & 3, 65r11051; Town of Aurora
PIN: 036530072

Description of Property

The property known municipally as 16 Reuben Street is located on the north side of Reuben Street, just west of Yonge Street. The property includes a representative example of a 1.5 storey late Victorian dwelling with an L-shaped floor plan constructed circa the 1880s for Reuben Judd Kennedy and his family. The Kennedy family were early farmers and settlers to the area with the original Kennedy farm being subdivided into some of the first village lots for the community.

Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest

16 Reuben Street is of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest based on its design and physical value, historical and associative value, and contextual value.

Design and Physical Value:

The property is a representative example of a 1.5 storey late Victorian dwelling constructed approximately 140 years ago. The dwelling itself includes features indicative of its period of construction and high craftsmanship and detail, including the gabled roofline and dichromatic brickwork with quoin and voussoir details, which are specifically unique for the streetscape and community area. The building is a rare and well-preserved example of a late Victorian style dwelling with exceptional design detail and character.

Historical and Associative Value:

The building was likely constructed by c. 1883 for Reuben Judd Kennedy and his family, who were original farmers and settlers for the area. The Kennedy farm served as being subdivided into some of the first village lots for the community, which now form a key character area within the general downtown / Aurora Promenade neighbourhood (historically known as Machell's Corners). The subject property has strong association with the original development of the Town and evolution from agricultural area to a growing village. The property helps contribute to our understanding of the development of the Town post Confederation (over approximately 140 years ago when the building was constructed) and prior to the incorporation of the Town of Aurora in 1888.

Contextual Value:

The property defines, maintains and supports the historic character of the Aurora core in and around Yonge and Wellington Streets (Machell's Corners). The building and its orientation on Reuben Street and proximity to Yonge Street provides a significant link to the early growth and development of the village area and its early history, specifically in relation to growth that occurred in and around early routes like Yonge Street. The building and its Victorian style and detailed craftsmanship help tell the story of the evolution of the community from being largely agricultural based to a burgeoning village.

Description of Heritage Attributes

The following provides a description of heritage attributes for the property which contribute to the reasons for which the property is of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest. Important to the preservation of the property are the original key attributes of the building that express its value, which include:

Exterior Elements

- overall 1.5 storey scale and massing with cross-gabled roof shape and orientation to Reuben Street
- All dichromatic brickwork with buff coloured brick, red brick quoin details and red brick voussoirs as well as window sills
- All original window and door openings visible from the public realm, including the front (south) elevation with two window openings at the front-gabled portion of the building, and front entrance with window opening under the roof of the verandah, and the side window openings visible from the street (east and west)
- Front elevation porch with support posts

Notice of objection to this notice of intention to designate the property may be served on the Clerk of the Town of Aurora within 30 days after the date of publication of the notice of intention to designate in the local newspaper. This notice of objection must set out the reason for the objection and all relevant facts. If a notice of objection is received, the Council of the Town of Aurora shall consider the objection and make a decision whether to withdraw the notice of intention to designate the property or not.

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