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Dear 

**RE: Designation of 257 Clarence Street, the Cherry House, under Part IV of the
*Ontario Heritage Act***

This letter is to advise you that Ottawa City Council, at its meeting of July 10, 2024, approved the following recommendation in respect of the above-noted item:

**That Council issue a Notice of Intention to Designate the Cherry House, 257
Clarence Street, under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act according to the
Statement of Cultural Heritage Value.**

A copy of the complete report in this matter, as well as the minutes of the City Council meeting of July 10, 2024, can be found on the City's website at ottawa.ca/agendas.

Enclosed is the Notice of Intention to Designate, served according to the *Ontario Heritage Act*, to be published online at Ottawa.ca/heritagenotices on July 19, 2024. You will have 30 days from the publication date, until August 18, 2024, to file an objection to the designation. Should you wish to object to the designation, you may do so by submitting a notice of objection in writing, outlining the reasons for the objection and any other relevant information. The notice must be received by the Clerk of the City of Ottawa within 30 days after the online publication of this notice.

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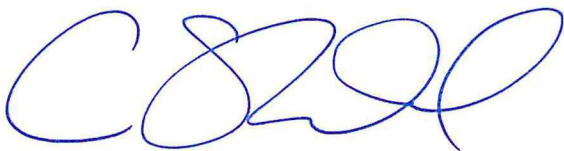
The notice of objection can be submitted via email to CityClerk-HeritageObjections@ottawa.ca, or via registered mail or in-person delivery, by appointment, at the following coordinates:

Caitlin Salter-MacDonald, City Clerk
c/o Mélanie Blais, Committee Coordinator
110 Laurier Avenue West, Ottawa, Ontario K1P 1J1, mail code 01-71

To make an appointment, please contact Mélanie Blais, Committee Coordinator at (613) 580-2424, ext. 27005, or at melanie.blais@ottawa.ca. When an objection has been received, City Council will consider the objection including all relevant information within 90 days after the end of the objection period. After consideration of the objection, Council may decide to withdraw the Notice of Intention to Designate or to pass a by-law designating the property under the *Ontario Heritage Act*. Should Council pass a by-law to designate the property, there will be further correspondence from the City on how you may appeal this decision to the Ontario Land Tribunal.

Should you require further information, please contact Sara Wehbi, Heritage Planner, at (613) 580-2424, ext. 21589 or by email at sara.wehbi@ottawa.ca.

Regards,



Caitlin Salter MacDonald
City Clerk

c.c. Lauren Luchenski, Built Heritage Research Coordinator, City of Ottawa
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 Sara Wehbi, Heritage Planner, City of Ottawa (sara.wehbi@ottawa.ca)
 Registrar, Ontario Heritage Trust (registrar@heritagetrust.on.ca)

Encl.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO DESIGNATE THE CHERRY HOUSE, 257 CLARENCE STREET AS A PROPERTY OF CULTURAL HERITAGE VALUE OR INTEREST,

**PURSUANT TO SECTION 29 (3) OF THE *ONTARIO HERITAGE ACT*, R.S.O. 1990, c.
*O.18***

DATED AND PUBLISHED at the City of Ottawa this 19th day of July, 2024

TAKE NOTICE that the City of Ottawa, on July 10, 2024 established its intention to designate the Cherry House, 257 Clarence Street, under Part IV of the *Ontario Heritage Act* for its cultural heritage value.

DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY

257 Clarence Street, also known as the Cherry House, is a two-and-a-half storey front gable red brick building. It is located on the north-west corner of Clarence Street, east of King Edward Avenue, in the Lowertown East neighbourhood in Ottawa.

STATEMENT OF CULTURAL HERITAGE VALUE OR INTEREST

The Cherry House has design value as a representative example of a vernacular front gable house with Classical Revival influences in Lowertown exemplified by its front gable with a steeply pitched roof, two-storey massing, and red brick cladding. The classical influences are evident in the house's returned eaves and open porch with pediment.

The Cherry House has cultural heritage value for its association with the theme of early residential settlement patterns in Lowertown, a historically working-class neighbourhood and important place of arrival for immigrants to Canada and newcomers to Ottawa. Constructed between the early 1860s and late 1870s, the first owners of the property and existing building were Irish immigrants William and Ann Cherry. With its modest design, the building is representative of the simple front-gable houses that would have housed many working-class immigrant families in Lowertown during that time.

Cherry House has contextual value as it maintains the early vernacular residential character found throughout Lowertown East. In 1843, the Vesting Act was passed, which allowed the acquisition of land in Lowertown. During this period the vernacular front gable form with red brick cladding, became more common throughout Lowertown as families were able to afford buying land and build more permanent structures. The property is functionally and historically linked to its location in Lowertown, a residential and mixed-use neighborhood, established to the east of the ByWard Market. As exemplified by its early residents, property owners would have chosen Lowertown for its proximity to their place of work and access to religious institutions.

DESCRIPTION OF HERITAGE ATTRIBUTES

Key exterior attributes that contribute to the heritage value of 257 Clarence Street as a representative example of a vernacular front gable building include:

- Front gable with a steeply pitched roof
- Red brick cladding
- Limestone foundation
- Returned eaves
- Two-and-a-half storey massing

- Large veranda with triangular pediment
- Simple form
- Evenly spaced rectangular window openings on the front façade with stone lintels and sills
- Rectangular window opening in the gable end with stone lintel and sill

The interior of the building and any additions or outbuildings are excluded in this designation.

OBJECTIONS

Please be advised that any person wishing to object to this designation may do so under the objection process set out in Section 29 (5) of the *Ontario Heritage Act* by giving the Clerk of the City of Ottawa, within 30 days after the online publication of this notice, a notice of objection outlining the reasons for the objection and any other relevant information.

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