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October 10, 2024

Attn. Provincial Heritage Registrar  
Ontario Heritage Trust  
10 Adelaide Street East  
Toronto, ON M5C 1J3

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Ontario Heritage Trust

Re: Notification of Intent to Designate, through Passage of a By-law, 93 Bower Street, Acton, legally described as "LOT 17 PLAN 75, ALSO SHOWN ON PLAN 1098; PART BLOCK A PLAN 345, ALSO SHOWN ON PLAN 1098, AS IN 431875; PART ALLEY PLAN 75, ALSO SHOWN ON PLAN 1098, PART 1 PLAN 20R20521 TOWN OF HALTON HILLS", and known as the Harrison-Wolfe House, under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act.

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This letter is to advise you that Notice of Intention to Designate the above property under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act was served on the property owner(s), via email, on Wednesday, October 9, 2024.

The Notice of Intention to Designate 93 Bower Street will be posted on the various Town sites Thursday, October 17, 2024. A copy of the attached proof for the notice was forwarded to the property owner(s) on Wednesday, October 9, 2024.

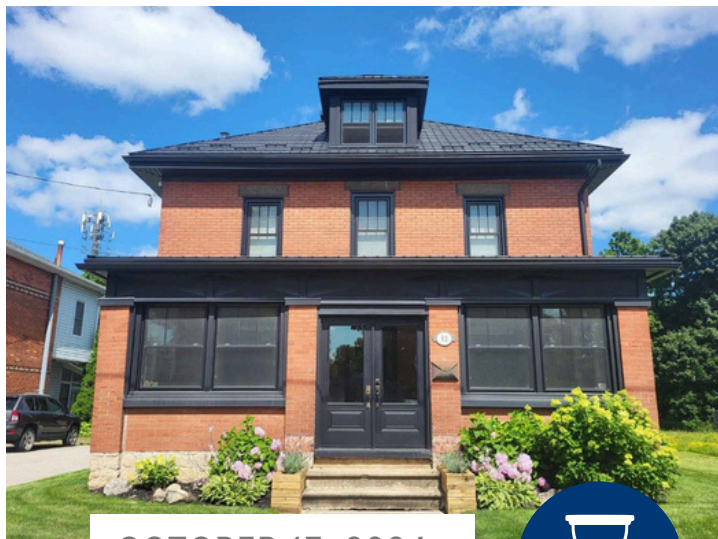
Sincerely,



Laura Loney  
Manager of Heritage Planning  
Planning and Development

# UNDER THE ONTARIO HERITAGE ACT

## Notice of Intention to Designate



OCTOBER 17, 2024



IN THE MATTER OF THE ONTARIO HERITAGE ACT AND IN THE MATTER OF the lands in the Town of Halton Hills known municipally as 93 Bower Street, Acton, legally described as "LOT 17 PLAN 75, ALSO SHOWN ON PLAN 1098; PART BLOCK A PLAN 345, ALSO SHOWN ON PLAN 1098, AS IN 431875; PART ALLEY PLAN 75, ALSO SHOWN ON PLAN 1098, PART 1 PLAN 20R20521 TOWN OF HALTON HILLS", Regional Municipality of Halton, known as the Harrison-Wolfe House.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Town of Halton Hills intends to designate the property at 93 Bower Street, under Section 29(1), Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter O.18.

### Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest:

The property at 93 Bower Street has historical and associative value due to its associations with its early owners through to the mid-twentieth century. The existing home was built on land previously owned by the Honourable D. Henderson by local tradesperson W.D. Anderson for his family. Anderson undertook work throughout the Acton community as a teamster, plasterer, builder, tanner, and stonemason.

The property was later owned by Cecil Watson Hartley Harrison, who worked as an auto supplies distributor and was involved with the local United Church, served as YMCA Director, was involved with the local Lodge, served as a Trustee of the School Board, on Council and as Reeve, and served on the Chamber of Commerce and the Acton Fall Fair Board. Cecil's wife Florence Harrison was also very involved in the community, serving on the Welfare Board, and led the Girl Guides and other activities.

In 1950, the property was owned by J. Wesley Wolfe, a leather industry executive who developed the Pers Pro Tan tanning process, operated a turkey farm in the community, and was chairman of the Acton Public School Board, member of the Masonic Lodge and North Halton Golf Club, YMCA member, and an Intercollegiate Wrestling Champion (1936). Helen Wolfe, Wesley's wife, was an active community member and worked raising turkeys and cattle with Wesley, was a member of the Arts and Crafts Guild of Georgetown, the Presto Club in Guelph, the Acton Music Club, the I.O.D.E, and a member of the Acton Women's Institute. Helen was also a Wolfe Cub leader, member of St. Alban's Anglican Church, a representative of the Halton County's Children's Aid, and a member of the St. Andrew's College Ladies' Guild.

The property was also home to long-time owners Donald and Dora Ryder from the 1960s onwards. Both Donald and Dora were WWII veterans who worked for many years at Dills Printing and Publishing (later Metroland Media) and were actively-involved community members.



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The property at 93 Bower Street has contextual value as it helps to define and maintain the late-nineteenth century and early-twentieth century development of this residential neighbourhood on the periphery of Acton's historic downtown. The residence is physically, functionally, visually, and historically linked to the surroundings in the community along Bower Street. The property is similar in scale and materials to the neighbouring properties and has not been identified as a landmark in the area.

The heritage attributes of the property at 93 Bower Street are identified as follows:

- The setback, location, and orientation of the existing residential building along Bower Street in the community of Acton in the Town of Halton Hills;
- The scale, form, and massing of two-and-a-half storey frame building with brick exterior with stone foundation, hipped roof, and brick chimney;
- The materials, including brick exterior, concrete sills and lintels, stone foundation, and wooden porch detailing where extant;
- The front (southeast) elevation, including the existence of a covered front porch at the first storey and single flatheaded window openings at the second storey;
- The side (southwest) elevation, including the brick chimney and flat-headed window openings at the first and second storeys; and,
- The side (northeast) elevation, including the flat-headed window openings at the first and second storeys.

Further information respecting the Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest and proposed designation of 93 Bower Street (refer to Report PD-2024-069) is available by contacting Laura Loney, Manager of Heritage Planning for the Town of Halton Hills at 905-873-2600 x 2358 or by email at [lloney@haltonhills.ca](mailto:lloney@haltonhills.ca)

Any person may, by November 16, 2024 (within 30 days after the date of the publication of this notice) serve written notice of objection to the proposed designation to Laura Loney together with a statement for the objection and all relevant facts.

Dated at the Town of Halton Hills this 17th day of October 2024.

Laura Loney, Manager of Heritage Planning, Planning and Development, The Corporation of the Town of Halton Hills, 1 Halton Hills Drive, Halton Hills, ON L7G 5G2.