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NOTICE OF INTENTION TO DESIGNATE A PROPERTY OF CULTURAL HERITAGE VALUE OR INTEREST

TAKE NOTICE THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Penetanguishene intends to designate 13 Fox Street as a property of cultural heritage value or interest under section 29, Part IV of the *Ontario Heritage Act*, R.S.O. 1990.

Location

Part Lot 24, North Side Brock Street, Plan 36, Town of Penetanguishene.

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Statement of Cultural Heritage Value

13 Fox Street is a representative example of a vernacular 19th century dwelling. The one and-a-half to two-storey irregular plan building is composed of two parts, each with a gable roof. Wall dormers break up the roofline. The building sits on a stone foundation and has red brick envelope coursed in a stretcher bond. Jack arched window openings are topped by brick voussoirs and some wooden sash windows remain. A number of window openings are framed by functional wooden louvered shutters.

13 Fox Street is associated with Edmund Gendron, who worked as a shoe clerk associated with the Gendron Shoe Pack Firm and served as a Town Councillor in 1898 and 1899. The Gendron Shoe Pack Firm, an important business in Penetanguishene founded by Edmund's brother Cornelius G. Gendron produced footwear used by Canadian forces during the First World War. Edmund Gendron purchased the property from his wife's father John Donahue in 1895 and owned the property until 1915.

13 Fox Street has the potential to yield information that contributes to the early 19th century history of Penetanguishene. The property was previously bisected by trail then roadway that connected the Town to the military garrison. This road was rerouted by 1881. Further, records indicate that the property may contain remains of a 19th century tavern. The remains of the former roadway and tavern has the potential to yield information that could provide details of Penetanguishene as is transitioned from a military base to Town settlement.

13 Fox Street is important in supporting and maintaining the 19th/early 20th century character of the historic Town of Penetanguishene. 13 Fox Street is located within a residential block developed in the 19th century/early 20th century and is a large corner lot surrounded by mature trees and large open grassed areas. While many residences along Fox Street have been modified, 13 Fox Street's positioning, scale, massing and architectural detailing remain and contribute and support the legibility and character of the Penetanguishene as a historic village.

13 Fox Street is historically linked to its surroundings. Gendron Drive, which is located along the eastern property boundary is named after the subject property's former owner, Edmund Gendron.

Description of Heritage Attributes

13 Fox Street is a representative example of a 19th century dwelling. The property contains the following heritage attributes that reflects this value:

- 19th century building with one-and-a-half and two-storey sections
- Irregular plan
- Gable roof with dormers
- Red brick envelope
- Jack arched openings with two course brick voussoirs
- Stone foundation
- Remaining wood sash windows

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- 19th century building with one-and-a-half and two-storey sections
- Location at the northeast corner of Fox Street and Brock Street

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- Location adjacent to Gendron Drive

Right to Object

Any person, whether representing an organization or private interest(s), may object to the proposed designation. Notice of objection must be received within thirty (30) days of this notice (April 16, 2025) and must set out the reasons for the objection and be supported by relevant facts. Objections may be served to the Clerk in writing by mail or by email using the contact information below.

The Corporation of the Town of Penetanguishene
10 Robert Street West
P.O. Box 5009
Penetanguishene, ON L9M 2G2
Attn: Kelly Cole, Director of Legislative Services/Municipal Clerk
By email: kcole@penetanguishene.ca

Additional Information

Further information on this matter can be obtained at connectpenetanguishene.ca/heritage-designation or by contacting Owen Taylor, Planner at 705-549-7453 ext. 251 or otaylor@penetanguishene.ca.

Dated at the Town of Penetanguishene March 17, 2025.