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September 13, 2006



Ms. Rita Caldarone
Secretary, Heritage Policy and
Program Development
Heritage & Libraries Branch
Ministry of Culture
400 University Avenue, 4th Floor
Toronto, ON M7A 2R9

Dear Ms. Caldarone:

Re: Notice of Intention to Designate
Ontario Heritage Act
Macartney Drug Store
West Side of Front Street South
Between Albert Street East and Clairmont Street
15 Front Street South
City of Thorold

Please find enclosed herewith a copy of a Notice of Intention to Designate the above noted property in accordance with Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter 0.18. This notice will be published in the Niagara This Week on Friday, September 15, 2006.

You have been notified as required under the provisions of Section 29(3) of the Act.

I trust this is in order.

Yours truly,

Adele Arbour, MCIP, RPP
Director of Planning & Building Services

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Attach.

cc: Heritage Thorold LACAC
J.K. Bice, City Clerk

City of Thorold

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NOTICE OF INTENTION TO DESIGNATE

IN THE MATTER OF THE ONTARIO HERITAGE ACT, R.S.O. 1990, CHAPTER 0.18 AND IN THE MATTER OF THE LANDS AT THE FOLLOWING LOCATION IN THE CITY OF THOROLD, IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.

TAKE NOTICE that the Council of the Corporation of the City of Thorold intends to designate the Macartney Drug Store located on the west side of Front Street, as a property of cultural heritage value or interest under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 2005 Chapter 0.18, Section 29.

REASONS FOR THE PROPOSED DESIGNATION:

Macartney Drug Store, now known as Henderson's Pharmacy
15 Front Street South
Thorold, Ontario

Cultural Value

Front Street became the main commercial thoroughfare in the Village of Thorold and was laid out on the east side of the first, then second Welland Canal. This building at 15 Front Street South remains in its original location within its original environment. The building has operated as a drug store from the time it was built c. 1872 with only two names connected to the business - Macartney and Henderson, both of whom served the citizens of Thorold well.

Architectural Value

Constructed at the height of the Italianate style of architecture, this brick building is comprised of three distinct sections. The storefront, the middle facade, usually laid out as offices or living quarters, and thirdly is the building's cornice or top. The most striking feature of the facade is the middle section with the set of three hooded windows. These 2nd storey windows located in the front, have label surrounding heads and lintels of cut limestone and stained glass window panes. The building possesses a symmetry common in the Italianate styling. A beautiful doorcase, supported by two squared, fluted columns, with interesting glass design at the top, is reminiscent of the Classical Temples, and is located in the side alley entrance to the living quarters upstairs. A double camber arch has been constructed over the cellar windows; one of the windows at the side of the building displays the same hallmarks as that of the cellar windows.

The restoration of this building has maintained the architectural and historical integrity of the building and makes it an outstanding part of Thorold's collection of heritage buildings creating a catalyst for downtown renewal.

Historical Value

The land was originally part of the holdings of George Keefer. Wm. John Macartney was a leading citizen of Thorold and one of the town's first druggists. He sold pharmaceutical drugs and toys from this building which he had constructed. The family operated a drug store for over 60 years before selling the business and premises to Edward M. Henderson in 1939. He was active in the Town and was an Alderman on Town Council for 25 years, was Vice Chair of the Thorold Board of Trade and served on the Thorold Ambulance Association. He then passed the business on to his son John M. Henderson who has continued serving the citizens of Thorold and who had the tasteful restoration done in the late 1980's.

Further information respecting the proposed designation is available in the Planning and Building Services Department during regular office hours, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m, Monday to Friday, 905-227-6613, 3540 Schmon Parkway, Thorold.

Any person may object to the proposed designation within thirty (30) days after the date of the publication of the Notice of Intention by serving on the Clerk of the Corporation of the City of Thorold a notice of objection setting out the reason for the objection and all relevant facts. The last day for filing objections will be **Monday, October 16, 2006**. All objections received within the aforementioned time period will be referred to the Heritage Conservation Review Board for a hearing and report.

DATED at the City of Thorold this 15th day of September, 2006.

John K. Bice, City Clerk
Corporation of the City of Thorold
3540 Schmon Parkway, P.O. Box 1044
Thorold, Ontario L2V 4A7