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June 28, 2016

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

Dear Sir/Madam:

**RE: Notice of Passing and By-law 16-025  
Heritage Designation of Sainte-Croix Church  
327 Rue Lafontaine Road West  
Part of the North Half of Lots 17 and 18, Concession 15  
File: '15/R01 (DS #49676) – Roll No. 10-056-00**

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Please find enclosed for your records a copy of the Notice of Intention to Designate and the Notice of Passing of Heritage Designation By-law 16-025 Regarding Sainte-Croix Church. Also enclosed is a certified copy of By-law 16-025.

If you have any questions, please contact the undersigned.

Sincerely,

**THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF TINY**

Shawn Persaud, BA, MCIP, RPP,  
Manager of Planning & Development

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Encl.

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF TINY

BY-LAW NUMBER 16-025

Being a By-law to Designate under the Ontario Heritage Act Part of the North Half of Lots 17 and 18, Concession 15 as in OS87514, OS87515, OS91171, T17969 except RO480571 (Sainte-Croix Church)

WHEREAS Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. O.18, as amended, authorizes the Council of a Municipality to enact a by-law to designate real property including all buildings and structures thereon, to be of cultural heritage value or interest;

AND WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Tiny has caused to be served on the owners of the lands and premises known as Part of the North Half of Lots 17 and 18, Concession 15 as in OS87514, OS87515, OS91171, T17969 except RO480571, in the Township of Tiny, County of Simcoe, having the municipal address of 327 Rue Lafontaine Road West and known as Sainte-Croix Church and upon the Ontario Heritage Trust, a Notice of Intention to Designate the aforesaid real property and has caused such Notice of Intention to Designate to be published in a newspaper having general circulation in the Township;

AND WHEREAS the Legal Description of Property, Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest and the Description of Heritage Attributes is set out in Schedule "A" attached hereto;

AND WHEREAS no Notice of Objection to the proposed designation has been served on the Township Clerk within 30 days of the Notice of Intention to Designate,

NOW THEREFORE the Council of The Corporation of the Township of Tiny enacts as follows:

- 1. That the property known as Part of the North Half of Lots 17 and 18, Concession 15 as in OS87514, OS87515, OS91171, T17969 except RO480571, in the Township of Tiny, County of Simcoe, having the municipal address of 327 Rue Lafontaine Road West and known as Sainte-Croix Church is hereby designated as being of cultural value and interest pursuant to Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act.
2. That the Clerk is hereby authorized to cause a copy of this By-law to be served on the owner of the aforesaid property and on the Ontario Heritage Trust and to cause notice of the passing of this By-law to be published in the same newspaper having general circulation in the Township and to be registered on the title of the property.
3. That the by-law shall come into full force and take effect on the final passing thereof.

READ A FIRST AND SECOND TIME THIS 11th DAY OF APRIL 2016.

READ A THIRD TIME AND FINALLY PASSED THIS 11th DAY OF APRIL 2016.

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF TINY

Signature of George Cornell
MAYOR, George Cornell

Sue Walton, Deputy Clerk of The Corporation of the Township of Tiny do hereby certify under my hand and Corporate Seal this to be a true and correct copy of BY-LAW 16-025.

Signature of Doug Luker
CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER/CLERK, Doug Luker

DATED THIS 28th DAY OF JUNE 2016 AT TINY, ONTARIO
Signature of Sue Walton
Sue Walton
Deputy Clerk

## SCHEDULE "A" to By-law 16-025

### LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY

Property known as Part of the Part of the North Half of Lots 17 and 18, Concession 15 as in OS87514, OS87515, OS91171, T17969 except RO480571, in the Township of Tiny, County of Simcoe having the municipal address of 327 Rue Lafontaine Road West and known as Sainte Croix Church.

### STATEMENT OF CULTURAL HERITAGE VALUE OR INTEREST

The Sainte-Croix Church was born of humble beginnings and community needs in the early 1850's. Parishioners in the village of Sainte-Croix, later known as Lafontaine, had to travel to Penetanguishene to fulfill their spiritual needs. In 1850, Father Amable Charest began celebrating mass at a residential house on Concession 16. The Mission of Sainte-Croix was founded in the same year.

Sainte-Croix Church, through its affiliation with Saint Patrick's Church in Perkinsfield traces its roots right back to the earliest introduction of Christianity to First Nations residents of the large village of Ossossane.

The first Church was a small wooden structure made of squared off logs constructed in 1856. The wooden logs were chosen as a result of their vast availability. The Church, Exaltation de la Sainte-Croix, was dedicated after the original name of the village of Lafontaine. The first pastor, Reverend Etienne Gibra, arrived in 1861. Reverend Gibra would be credited with enlarging the small wooden Church by thirty feet and adding a sacristy.

Between 1873 and 1896 was a period of immense construction for the Sainte-Croix Church. Father Michel arrived in 1872 and used some of his own money in 1873 to build a rectory. In 1874, construction on the new Church began. It was built behind the old one, explaining why the current Eglise Sainte-Croix sits so far back from the road. The new Church was opened in 1877 and had cost roughly \$18,000.00 to build. All of the materials used in the construction of the Church came from the local area. Louis Thenasse, a parishioner, fired bricks made from the clay on his farm. Local trees and fieldstones were also used in the construction.

The Sainte-Croix Church has remained a vital part of the community ever since.

### DESCRIPTION OF THE HERITAGE ATTRIBUTES

The exterior of the Sainte-Croix Church is an example of late nineteenth century brickwork. In addition, the bricks were made locally by the parishioners, demonstrating the level of community involvement with the Church.

The interior of the Church reflects the quality and availability of local sawmills and woodworkers.

The steeple is of particular heritage interest due to its symmetrical design and visual presence in the village of Lafontaine.

### EXCLUSIONS FROM THE DESIGNATION

The sacred space of the building shall be excluded from the provisions of the heritage designation by-law. For the purposes of the by-law, "sacred space" shall mean the portion or portions of the religious heritage building where worship occurs and liturgical elements are present.



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**NOTICE OF PASSING OF HERITAGE DESIGNATION  
BY-LAW 16-025  
REGARDING SAINTE-CROIX CHURCH**

**TAKE NOTICE** that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Tiny, pursuant to Section 29 of the *Ontario Heritage Act R.S.O. 1990, c. 0.18*, enacted By-law 16-025 on the 11<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2016 to designate the following property, known as "Sainte-Croix Church", as being of cultural heritage value or interest:

Civic Address – 327 Rue Lafontaine Road West  
Part of the North Half of Lots 17 and 18, Concession 15 as in OS87514,  
OS87515, OS91171, T17969 except RO480571  
in the Township of Tiny, County of Simcoe

For further information regarding the designation of this property, please contact

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Planning Administrative Assistant  
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ksitarz@tiny.ca

or

Shawn Persaud  
Manager of Planning & Development  
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spersaud@tiny.ca

Mailing Date of this Notice: June 28, 2016

Doug Luker, CAO/Clerk  
The Corporation of the Township of Tiny