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IN THE MATTER OF THE ONTARIO HERITAGE ACT,  
1974, S.O. CHAPTER 122  
AND IN THE MATTER OF THE PREMISES KNOWN MUNICIPALLY AS 22-34 WYNDHAM STREET NORTH  
IN THE CITY OF GUELPH, IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO, BEING THE FORMER CORBETT  
BLOCK, NOW OWNED BY CANADA TRUST

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO DESIGNATE

TO: Ontario Heritage Foundation  
77 Bloor Street West  
TORONTO, Ontario  
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TAKE NOTICE that the Council of the Corporation of the City of Guelph, intends to designate portions of the exterior of the former Corbett block, known municipally as 22-34 Wyndham Street North, as features of historical and architectural value and interest under Part IV of The Ontario Heritage Act, 1974, S.O. Chapter 122.

Statement of the Reasons for the Proposed Designation

The three-storey stone building numbered 22 to 34 Wyndham Street was erected in 1850 for Robert Corbett, a businessman and Guelph's fourth postmaster. No. 34 served as the post office until 1875-76. The lot was purchased in 1845 from John and Thomas Galt, sons of Guelph's founder, and remained in the Corbett family until the early 1970's. The total property is presently owned by Canada Trust.

Distinctive architectural features of the Wyndham Street facade include the carefully-dressed ashlar masonry of Guelph limestone, the carved stone window lintels, and the unique stone cornice with concealed internal rain gutter, supported on paired brackets, also of carved local stone. Masonry cleaning by Canada Trust in 1977 revealed the quality and character of the original stone work. The age, style, and architectural unity with neighbouring buildings, make this structure a key unit in the visual character of our Central Business District and the northern anchor for an architectural setting unparalleled elsewhere in Canada.

The corner unit, 32-34, was extensively remodelled eighty years ago to accommodate the offices of Guelph and Ontario Investment and Savings Society. Otherwise the facade, above the shop fronts, remains as originally constructed.

It is recommended that only the facade facing Wyndham Street be covered by the designation, permitting a possible rebuilding of the internal structure, roof and Cork Street wall.

Any person may, before the eighth day of October, 1979, send by registered mail or deliver to the Clerk of the City of Guelph notice of his or her objection to the proposed designation together with a statement of the reasons for the objection and all relevant facts. If such a Notice of Objection is received, the Council of the Corporation of the City of Guelph shall refer the matter to the Conservation Review Board for a hearing.

DATED at Guelph, Ontario

This eighth day of September, 1979.

  
CLERK

