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IN THE MATTER OF THE ONTARIO HERITAGE ACT,
R.S.O., 1990, CHAPTER 0.18
AND IN THE MATTER OF THE PROPERTY KNOWN AS
83 KING STREET
IN THE CITY OF GUELPH,
IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO DESIGNATE

TO: Ontario Heritage Foundation
The Ontario Heritage Centre
10 Adelaide Street East
Toronto, Ontario
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AND: [REDACTED]
83 King Street
Guelph, Ontario
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TAKE NOTICE THAT the Council of the Corporation of the City of Guelph intends to designate portions of 83 King Street as a building of architectural and historical value and interest under Part IV of The Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter 0.18.

STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR DESIGNATION

83 KING STREET

This large yellow brick dwelling was constructed in 1875 for local hardware merchant John M. Bond. Designed by architect Victor Stewart and built by Frederick J. Chubb, the building is situated on an impressive site, overlooking the downtown core. It is well-proportioned in design and features two bay windows on the first floor, framing the main entrance, which is highlighted by a transom and decorative canopy. The roof is enhanced by the projecting eaves supported by brackets and four matching yellow brick chimneys. Much of the building's exterior woodwork is still intact, including the decorative porch on the east side. The interior of the house features ornate plaster ceiling medallions and crown mouldings and original wood trim.

A native of Queen's County, Ireland, John M. Bond came to Guelph in 1866 and opened up the John M. Bond & Co. Hardware store. Located at the corner of Wyndham and Cork Streets, the business soon became the largest hardware store in the district. Bond was one of the best known among Guelph merchants of his time, and was director of both the Guelph and Ontario Investment and Savings Society and the Guelph General Hospital. Following his death in 1906, the house remained occupied by his family until it was sold in 1929 to the next long-time owner, contractor George F. Crawley, who divided the house into five apartment units. The owner at the time of the building's designation, [REDACTED], is responsible for restoring many of the original details of the house.

The designation covers the entire exterior brick walls of the building, the roofline, including the five brick chimneys and bracketed eaves, and all exterior decorative woodwork including the porch, the canopy over the main entrance and the woodwork associated with the front bay windows. All original window and door openings are designated, including all original windows, the stone window lintels and sills and the main entrance door frame with its leaded glass transom. Inside, the designation covers the main hall door with its leaded glass panel, the hall door frame including the stained glass transom and sidelights, the plaster ceiling medallions and crown mouldings throughout the main floor of the dwelling, the marble and wood living room fireplace, all original wood baseboard and wood trim, the oversized entry doors into each dwelling unit and the doors separating the living room and dining room with their etched glass panels. The complete staircase is also included in the designation.

Any person may, before the 7th of November 1994, send by registered mail or deliver to the Clerk of the City of Guelph, notice of objection to this proposed designation, together with a statement of reasons for the objection and all relevant factors. If a notice of objection is received, the Council of the City of Guelph shall refer the matter to the Conservation Review Board for a hearing.

DATED at Guelph, Ontario, this 7th day of October, 1994.

Lois Giles
City Clerk
City Hall
59 Carden Street
Guelph, Ontario
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