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April 7th, 1994

Dear Sirs:

RE: Proposed Designation Under  
Part IV of the  
Ontario Heritage Act  
Reilly/Coulson House  
53 Maple Avenue, Welland

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In accordance with the requirements of Section 29(3) of the Ontario Heritage Act, enclosed herewith please find Notice of Intention to designate the above-referenced property under Part IV of the legislation.

For your reference, I have attached a copy of the background report prepared for the Welland Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee and City Council.

Yours very truly,

*Craig A. Stirtzinger*  
CRAIG A. STIRTZINGER  
City Clerk

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c.c. -- Mr. D. Thorpe, Development Planner  
-- Mr. G. Chipman, Chairman  
L.A.C.A.C.

- The Ontario Heritage Foundation  
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(CREST)

In the matter of the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter 0.18

And in the matter of the structure and property referred to as the Reilly/Coulson House and known municipally as 53 Maple Avenue

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO DESIGNATE

TAKE NOTICE THAT the Council of the Corporation of the City of Welland intends to designate the structure and property known as the Reilly/Coulson House, 53 Maple Avenue as a structure of architectural and historical interest under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter 0.18.

Reasons for the Proposed Designation:

In June 1872, Susan Buchner purchased Lot 69 on the south side of Jane Street (Maple Avenue) from Thaddeus Hooker, owner of Hooker Brickyard. Henry Buchner husband of Susan, was a great grandson of Crowland's first white settlers. Henry Buchner died shortly after the house was constructed and it was subsequently purchased by Hugh Rose on November 17, 1875. Ten days later, Thaddeus Hooker purchased the house as a wedding present for his son Daniel. Daniel served on the School Board for six years, was elected to Town Council in 1889, 1890, 1894, 1900, 1901, 1902 and 1903, was Deputy Reeve in 1895 and 1896 and was elected Mayor in 1898 and 1899.

In 1906, the house was sold to Millicent Reilly. Jolliffe Reilly, husband of Millicent, and his brother Crowell operated Reilly and Reilly Shoes at 19 East Main Street. A daughter of Millicent and Jolliffe, Mary Elletta, married Charles H.L. Coulson in 1916. They resided at 53 Maple Avenue and assumed ownership of the house after the death of Mr. Reilly in 1928.

Charles Coulson was appointed City Engineer for the City of Welland in 1918 and held the position until 1952. His father, John, was Governor of the Welland County Jail from January 18, 1884 until 1913. A daughter of Charles, Mary Lou married Robert D. Peart. They still own and reside in the house. Their daughter was the fourth generation in this family to be raised in this house.

The house was constructed in three phases, the first being built in 1873 in the Italianate style. Some of the exterior features include wide eaves and long narrow, round-arched openings (windows and doors) capped with voussoirs in contrasting buff brick. A one-storey addition was constructed in the Italianate style in 1878. A second storey was added to the addition between 1910 and 1914.

A weather station, originally located at the Governor's House adjacent to the Court House, was moved to 53 Maple Avenue by Charles Coulson. It was rebuilt by Mr. Coulson in the 1930's and was used as the 'official' weather report for the Welland Tribune until Mr. Coulson's death in 1957.

Notice of objection to the proposed designation may be filed with the Clerk of the Corporation of the City of Welland not later than the 9th day of May, 1994.

Dated at the City of Welland this 9th day of April, 1994.

CRAIG A. STIRTZINGER
City Clerk
City Hall, 411 East Main Street
Welland, Ontario L3B 3X4

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Saturday, April 16th, 1994
Saturday, April 23rd, 1994

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