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IN THE MATTER OF THE ONTARIO HERITAGE ACT R.S.O. 1990 CHAPTER 0.18 AND 5365 LESLIE STREET CITY OF TORONTO, PROVINCE OF ONTARIO

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO DESIGNATE

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Take notice that the Council of the City of Toronto, on the 3rd, 4th, and 5th of October, 2000, decided to designate the lands and buildings known municipally as 5365 Leslie Street (Green Meadows/The McDougald Estate) (Seneca Heights, North York).

Short Statement of Reasons for Designation

Green Meadows/The McDougald Estate is recommended for designation under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act (R.S.O. 1990) for architectural and historical reasons.

Green Meadows, also known as "The McDougald Estate" is a fine example of a Canadian Establishment estate house built circa 1950. The estate was formerly the property of John Angus ("Bud") McDougald, who was considered to be one of Canada's most powerful financiers and a businessman of international stature. McDougald was chairman of the board and President of the Argus Corporation. Its satellite organizations included Dominion Stores, Hollinger Mines, Massey Ferguson, Standard Broadcasting Corporation, Crown Trust and Domtar. McDougald assumed the position of chair for almost all of these prominent organizations. In 1945, McDougald along with E.P. Taylor also created the organization known as Taylor, McDougald and Co. Ltd.

Green Meadows is a fine example of a domestic building constructed in the Colonial Revival style. Distinctively, it draws on elements from Georgian, Greek Revival and NeoClassic buildings that were constructed along the eastern areas of the United States and in Upper Canada during the late 18th and first half of the 19th century.

The general massing of The McDougald Estate house takes the form of a low two-storey brick structure having a tripartite configuration consisting of a central block (with fullheight temple front) and symmetrically placed wings placed on either side.

Significant exterior features of the building include: the cedar shingle gabled roof; streamline eaves/cornice with matching returns at the gable-ends; three multi-flue chimney stacks which feature decorative bands and corbelled brickwork; the 7 bay frontwest façade; six-over-six and nine-over nine sash windows complete with louvered shutters; the jack-arched brick lintels and brick sills; the full-height temple front portico complete with architrave, classical modillions, well-proportioned pediment, Adamesque fanlight and four Corinthian columns set upon a red-brick, patterned floor; the Adam style front entrance door with elliptical transom, sidelights, and wide front door with raised panels. On the south elevation significant features include the two-ranked façade arrangement, decorative arched niche with inset fountain at the lower storey projection. The projection terminates in a flat roof with generous architrave and Chippendale style railing along the roof's perimeter. The two-storey multi-pane bow window at the southeast is also significant as is the covered porch with decorative wood posts, architrave and patterned red brick floor.

When considered against the "Guidelines for the Evaluation of Heritage Properties", adopted by the former North York City Council in 1996, 5365 Leslie Street clearly qualifies for designation under the Ontario Heritage Act.

Notice of an objection to the designation may be served on the City Clerk, c/o Francine Adamo, Committee Administrator, North York Community Council, North York Civic Centre, Main Floor, 5100 Yonge Street, Toronto M2N 5V7 within thirty days of the 25th of October, 2000, setting out the reason(s) for the objection and all relevant facts.

Dated at Toronto this 25th day of October, 2000.

City Clerk