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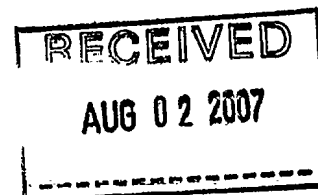
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**IN THE MATTER OF THE ONTARIO HERITAGE ACT  
R.S.O. 1990 CHAPTER 0.18 AND  
384 SUNNYSIDE AVENUE: HOWARD PARK METHODIST CHURCH  
CITY OF TORONTO, PROVINCE OF ONTARIO**

**NOTICE OF INTENTION TO DESIGNATE**



The Cathedral Lofts Inc.  
2100 Steeles Avenue East  
Brampton, Ontario  
L6T 1A7

Ontario Heritage Trust  
10 Adelaide Street East  
Toronto, Ontario  
M5C 1J3

Take notice that Toronto City Council intends to designate the lands and buildings known municipally as 384 Sunnyside Avenue under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act.

**Reasons for Designation**

**Description**

The property at 384 Sunnyside Avenue is worthy of designation under Part IV of the *Ontario Heritage Act* for its cultural heritage value or interest, and meets the criteria for municipal designation prescribed by the Province of Ontario under the three categories of design, historical and contextual value. Located on the northwest corner of Sunnyside Avenue and Marmaduke Street, Howard Park Methodist Church was constructed in two sections, with the Sunday School opened in 1910 and the Sanctuary completed in 1915. The property was listed on the City of Toronto Inventory of Heritage Properties in 2003, with a Heritage Easement Agreement registered in 2004.

**Statement of Cultural Heritage Value**

Howard Park Methodist Church is architecturally significant for its Neo-Gothic design and stonework, inspired by English Perpendicular architecture. Popular in Canada in the early 20<sup>th</sup> century, the style was distinguished from the earlier Gothic Revival by the absence of polychromatic detailing. Historically, the church represents an institution of importance in the development of the area. The complex anchors the corner of Sunnyside Avenue and Marmaduke Street in the residential district south of Howard Park Avenue. With its size, stonework and architectural features, the building is an important visual feature in the Sunnyside neighbourhood east of High Park.

### Heritage Attributes

The heritage attributes of Howard Park Methodist Church related to its cultural heritage value as a significant example of Neo-Gothic design distinguished by its stonework are found on the exterior walls and roofs, consisting of:

- The cruciform plan with transepts, a spireless tower on the southeast corner, and a southwest wing that was originally built for the Sunday School.
- The raised stone base with window openings
- The rock-faced limestone applied for the cladding and trim, and the smooth stone used for the string courses, window sills, hood moulds and weatherings
- The steeply-pitched gable roofs with copper detailing, extended (and, in some cases, flared) eaves with brackets, chimneys, a cupola ventilator with a fleche and, along the north and elevations, wall dormers with parapets
- The corner tower that dominates the design, where the buttresses (some multi-sided), turrets, parapets and battlements emphasize the height and add visual interest
- On the tower, the combination of pointed-arched, Tudor-arched and flat-headed openings with wood windows containing tracery
- The fenestration introduced on the tower, which is repeated in detailing and shape on the exterior walls
- The principal (east) façade under the gabled end wall, where the entrance porch is accessed via a flight of stone steps
- The main entrance, where three Tudor-arched surrounds contain pairs of paneled wood doors with tracery lights
- In the upper part of the east façade, a monumental Tudor-arched tripartite window opening that incorporates stone detailing, wood windows with trefoil tracery, and stained and leaded glass
- The remaining elevations, which display similarly detailed oversized windows
- On all of the walls, pointed- or Tudor-arched window openings with voussoirs, and flat-headed window openings with stone lintels that contain wood windows with trefoil tracery and leaded glass
- The cast iron fence that outlines the south and east edges of the property

Notice of an objection to the proposed designation may be served on the City Clerk, Attention: Christine Archibald, Administrator, Toronto and East York Community Council, Toronto City Hall, 100 Queen Street West, 12<sup>th</sup> Floor, Toronto, Ontario, M5H 2N2, within thirty days of the 7th of August, 2007, **which is September 7th, 2007**. The notice must set out the reason(s) for the objection, and all relevant facts.

Dated at Toronto this 7th day of August, 2007.

Ulli S. Watkiss  
City Clerk