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IN THE MATTER OF THE ONTARIO HERITAGE ACT
R.S.O. 1980, CHAPTER 337 AND 790 QUEEN STREET WEST,
CITY OF TORONTO, PROVINCE OF ONTARIO

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NOTICE OF INTENTION TO DESIGNATE

To: The Corporation of the
City of Toronto
c/o Mr. Rashmi Nathwani, Commissioner
City Property Department
9th Floor, East Tower
City Hall

The Corporation of the **ONTARIO HERITAGE**
City of Toronto **FOUNDATION**
c/o Mr. Herb Pirk, Commissioner
Parks and Recreation Department
21st Floor, East Tower
City Hall

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Take notice that the Council of the Corporation of the City of Toronto, on the 26th day of January, 1989 decided to designate the lands and buildings known as 790 Queen Street West (Strachan Houses).

Short Statement of Reasons for the Proposed Designation

The property at 790 Queen Street West, known as the Strachan Houses (formerly St. Hilda's College), is recommended for designation for architectural and historical reasons. It was built in 1899 in the modern Tudor Gothic design, following the designs of Toronto architect, Eden Smith. Originally, the structure was home to St. Hilda's College, the first Women's College in Canada. Built of buff brick with stone lintels and trim, the building is symmetrical in form with projecting end pavilions and a distinctive asymmetrical arrangement of two verandahs, a bay window and entrance. Important features include the entrance and chapel windows which are arched with brick and stone surrounds, window tracery with leaded and stained glass and finely detailed wood verandahs. Significant interior spaces include the main entrance and stairway and the chapel located above the entrance. The property is an important landmark in the Trinity-Bellwoods area and is the last building remaining on the original grounds of the University of Trinity College.

Notice of the objection to the designation may be served on the Clerk within thirty days of the 21st day of February, 1989.

Dated at Toronto this 21st day of February, 1989.

Roy V. Henderson
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City Clerk