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April 24, 2012

Jim Leonard Registrar, Ontario Heritage Trust Heritage Programs and Operation 10 Adelaide Street East Toronto ON M5C 1J3

Dear Mr. Leonard:

Re: Notice of Intention - 214 Queen Street South (York Apartments)

Please be advised that the Council of the Corporation of the City of Kitchener at its regular meeting held April 23, 2012 passed the following resolution, namely:

"That pursuant to Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act, the Clerk be directed to publish a Notice of Intention to designate the property known as 214 Queen Street South (York Apartments), as being of cultural heritage value and interest, in accordance with the Statement of Significance attached to Community Services Department report CSD-12-044. "

Attached is a copy of Community Services Department report CSD-12-044, dated March 19, 2012, containing the Statement of Significance for 214 Queen Street South and a description of the heritage attributes related to the property to be protected. Also attached is a copy of the Notice of Intention, which is to be published in The Record, a paper of general circulation in the municipality, on Friday, April 27, 2012.

Yours truly,

Janet Billett, AMCT

Committee Administrator

Att.

L. Bensason, Coordinator, Cultural Heritage Planning CC:

M. Drake, Heritage Planner

IN THE MATTER OF THE ONTARIO HERITAGE ACT, R.S.O. 1990, CHAPTER O.18, AS AMENDED, AND IN THE MATTER OF THE LANDS AND PREMISES AT THE FOLLOWING MUNICIPAL ADDRESS IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO

NOTICE OF INTENTION

TAKE NOTICE that the Council of the Corporation of the City of Kitchener intends to designate the following municipal address as being of cultural heritage value or interest under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter O.18, as amended.

214 Queen Street South (York Apartments)

The property municipally addressed as 214 Queen Street South is a 20th century brick building built in the Neo-Georgian architectural style, located on the west side of Queen Street South between Courtland Avenue West and Joseph Street. The contextual value relates to the location of the property in close proximity to Downtown Kitchener and Victoria Park. The building contributes to the continuity and character of the street through the use of materials and design details that are found elsewhere on Queen Street. In addition, the building is an important visual landmark within the neighbourhood. The associative and historic value relates to the original owner, builder and use of the property. The original owner of the property was York Realty of Toronto. Construction of the building began in the spring of 1928 with Casper Braun acting as the general contractor. The plans represented Kitchener's tallest and most modern apartment building at that time making the York Apartment building Kitchener's first high rise apartment building. Casper Braun was a well known builder and general contractor and a prominent political figure in Berlin (now Kitchener).

The full Statement of Significance, containing a list of the heritage attributes, is available in the Office of the City Clerk, 2nd Floor, Kitchener City Hall during normal business hours.

Any person may send by Registered Mail or deliver to the Clerk of the City of Kitchener, notice of his or her objections to the proposed designation, together with a statement of the reasons for the objection and all relevant facts, to be received by the Clerk not later than the 28th day of May, 2012. When a Notice of Objection has been received, the Council of the Corporation of the City of Kitchener will refer the matter to the Conservation Review Board (www.crb.gov.on.ca) for a hearing and report.

Dated at Kitchener the 27th day of April, 2012.

Randy Gosse Director of Legislated Services & City Clerk City Hall, P.O. Box 1118 200 King Street West Kitchener, Ontario N2G 4G7