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IN THE MATTER OF THE ONTARIO HERITAGE ACT, R.S.O.  
1990, CHAPTER O.18;

PT LOTS 1 & 2 N/WOLFE & S/ DALHOUSIE W/GEO 45R-7675 PTS 1-3 & 45R-  
8193 PT 7 TO 9 IRREG 0.65AC 93.52FR D

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO DESIGNATE

TO: Ontario Heritage Trust  
10 Adelaide Street  
Toronto, ON M5C 1J3

TAKE NOTICE THAT the Council of The Corporation of the City of Peterborough intends to designate the property, including land and building, known municipally as 175 George Street North, as a property of architectural and/or historic interest or value under Part IV of The Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter O.18.

A Statement of the Reasons for the Proposed Designation of 175 George Street North is attached.

NOTICE OF OBJECTION to the designation may be served on the City Clerk within thirty (30) days, or before 4:30 p.m. on the 26th of May, 2012.

John Kennedy, Acting City Clerk  
The City of Peterborough  
500 George St. N  
Peterborough, ON K9H 3R9

April 25, 2012

### **175 George Street North – The CPR Station**

The Canadian Pacific Railway Station at 175 George Street North has excellent cultural heritage value for its association with the early development of the Canadian Pacific Railway (CPR) and the importance of railroads in the growth of commerce in Peterborough. The CPR established the Ontario and Quebec Railway as a means to link urban centres in Ontario and Quebec with the less populated western provinces. A section was routed through Peterborough and leased to the CPR. Design of the station began in 1883, and Peterborough's first railway station opened in 1884. It was constructed of buff brick in laid in Flemish Bond, a design which is somewhat rare in Peterborough. The structure was pointed with red mortar and had a slate roof (which has since been replaced with asphalt).

The CPR Station is the only remaining railway station in Peterborough, and according to a study conducted by the Ontario Ministry of Culture and Communications in 1989 it is the oldest CPR station still situated on its original site in Ontario. Until CP abandoned the station in 1990, it was the oldest surviving station in railway use in Canada. The station was one of four designed in 1883 by architect Thomas C. Sorby, one of the most prolific architects of the late 19<sup>th</sup> century. Sorby also designed stations in Toronto, Winnipeg and Quebec, along with several CPR hotels. Peterborough's station was considered one of the most attractive on the rail line at the time of its construction, and became a prototype for many other stations throughout the country.