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REGISTERED MAIL

June 14, 2013

Jim Leonard
Registrar, Ontario Heritage Trust
Heritage Programs and Operation
10 Adelaide Street East
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Dear Mr. Leonard:

**Re: Notice of Intention – Rockway Gardens
(7 Floral Crescent; 1405 King Street East, Kitchener)**

Please be advised that the Council of the Corporation of the City of Kitchener at its regular meeting held June 10, 2013 gave direction to the Clerk to publish a Notice of Intention to designate Rockway Gardens. The following is an excerpt from the resolution:

"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 the Rockway Gardens (7 Floral Crescent and 1405 King Street East) as being of cultural heritage value and interest, with specific recognition given to Rockway Gardens being identified as a cultural heritage landscape."

Attached is a copy the Statement of Significance for Rockway Gardens 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, June 14, 2013.

Yours truly,



Daphne Livingstone
Committee Administrator

Att.

cc: L. Bensason, Coordinator, Cultural Heritage Planning
C. Mahood, Heritage Planner
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 FOLLOWING PROPERTY 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 property 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.

Rockway Gardens

The Rockway Gardens located on property bounded by King Street East, Preston Street, Charles Street, Dixon Street, Floral Crescent and residential property lines, have operated in the same location since their opening in 1932. The property including the rockery, formal gardens and various built features is considered to be a cultural heritage landscape due to its design/physical, historical/associative and contextual values.

The property has design or physical value because it is a representative example of both a formal designed garden and a rock garden.

The historical or associative values of Rockway Gardens pertains to its historical role in providing relief work during the Depression; its relationship to the community's past and present civic beautification efforts; and its long-time and ongoing association with the Kitchener Horticultural Society. The garden is associated with a number of individuals significant to the community, including garden founder J. Albert Smith who served as alderman and mayor of the City from 1935 to 1937. The rockery was designed by a noted landscape architect and Fellow of the Royal Horticultural Society of Great Britain, W. J. Jarman.

The Rockway Gardens has contextual value in that it is important in demarking and beautifying a historical gateway into the City and defining the character of the Rockway area. The garden is also physically linked to its surroundings and can be considered a landmark.

The full Statement of Significance containing a list of 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 no later than the **14th day of July, 2013**. 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 14th day of June, 2013.

Christine Tarling
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