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Dear Sir/Madam:

RE: Proposed Designation of 85 Park Avenue

Pursuant to Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act, we are forwarding herewith the attached notice setting out Council's intention to designate the above-noted property as a property of historic and architectural value and interest.

Also attached for your information is a copy of the staff report that was approved by the Oakville Council.

Should you have any questions regarding this matter, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Yours very truly,

Carol Provost
Committee Co-ordinator
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cc: J. Magee, Heritage Planner

85 PARK AVENUE

The house at 85 Park Avenue was built in 1905 by George Hughes. Hughes was believed to have been a carpenter by trade and both he and his wife were active members of St. Jude's Anglican Church. The house remained in the Hughes family until 1947.

In 1978, an interesting event in the history of the house occurred when the interior and exterior of the house were used for scenes in a major motion picture entitled "Lost and Found".

The house represents an excellent example of the Queen Anne cottage style and continues to retain much of its original form and detailing. The original house was square in form with steeply pitched gables. The gables feature examples of decorated wood shingles which may be the work of skilled carpenter George Hughes. Projecting from the doorway is a small Queen Anne style porch with decorative columns.

The house has a number of significant interior features which include a partially exposed lakestone basement, detailed door mouldings and high baseboards. There is also an unusual pocket sliding door in the living room.