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IN THE MATTER OF THE ONTARIO HERITAGE ACT
AND IN THE MATTER OF THE LANDS AND PREMISES AT 794 DEVONSHIRE, IN THE
CITY OF WINDSOR, IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO DESIGNATE

REGISTERED MAIL

To: Ontario Heritage Foundation
10 Adelaide Street East
TORONTO, Ontario
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TAKE NOTICE THAT the Council of the Corporation of the City of Windsor intends to designate the property, including lands and buildings, at 794 Devonshire (Lot 11, Part Lot 9, Block Q, Plan 211), as a property of architectural and/or historical value or interest under Part IV of The Ontario Heritage Act:

REASONS FOR DESIGNATION:

Historical:

- Built in 1907, the house is illustrative of the fine homes being built for prominent citizens in Walkerville during one of its major growth periods in the early years of the 20th century.
- First owned by George F. Porter, a chief draughtsman for the Canadian Bridge Company.
- The second owner was prominent businessman James R. Coate, who lived in the house for 23 years (1910-1933). He was the president and manager of the Walkerville Hardware Co. Ltd.

Architectural:

- Described as late Queen Anne style, the house has characteristics of both the Queen Anne style house (popular from the 1880s to the 1910s) and the Tudor Revival style house (popular from the 1900s to the 1940s).
- Architectural features of note include: asymmetrical massing (square and polygonal bays, gabled ells), mixture of roof forms (main gable, rear hipped ell), mixture of surface treatments (half-timbering, red brick, wood shingles, clapboard), a variety of window treatments (double hung – small pane over large, diamond motif, and stained glass), and fine detailing (bracketed cornices, wooden porch, carved bargeboard, half-timbered gable ends).
- The original roof material was cedar shingle.

Any person may, within thirty days of the publication of this notice, send by registered mail or deliver to the Clerk of the City of Windsor notice of his or her objection to the proposed designation together with a statement of the reasons for the objection and all relevant facts. If such a Notice of Objection is received, the Council of the Corporation of the City of Windsor shall refer the matter to the Conservation Review Board for a hearing.

DATED at Windsor, Ontario this 20th day of August, 2002.

J. Skorobohacz, Commissioner of Council Services and City Clerk, City Hall, Windsor, Ontario


John Skorobohacz
Commissioner of Council Services and City Clerk

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