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Dear Sir/Madam:

RE: Proposed Designations of 502 Dundas Street West, 2507 Dundas Street West and 291 Reynolds Street - original portion of the Oakville Trafalgar High School

Pursuant to Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act, we are forwarding herewith the attached notice appearing in the Oakville Beaver Newspaper on February 10, February 17 and February 24, 1993 which sets out Council's intention to designate the above-noted properties as properties of historic and architectural value and interest.

Also attached for your information are copies of the staff reports that were reviewed by the Oakville Town Council. Should you have any questions regarding this matter, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Yours truly,

Gloria Collier

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cc: Ramona Boddington, Heritage Planner
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NOTICE OF INTENTION TO DESIGNATE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Town of Oakville intends to designate the properties listed below pursuant to Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act. Summaries of the reasons for the proposed designations are set out in Schedule "A" to this notice. A detailed Heritage Structure Report of each property may be obtained at the Clerk's Department, Oakville Municipal Building, 1225 Trafalgar Road during regular business hours.

Notice of objection to the proposed designations, setting out the reason for the objection and all relevant facts, may be served on the Clerk of the Corporation of the Town of Oakville, within 30 days from the 10th day of February, 1993 being the date upon which this notice was first published in the Oakville Beaver newspaper.

JUDITH MUNCASTER

TOWN CLERK

TOWN OF OAKVILLE

SCHEDULE "A"

- ✓ 502 DUNDAS STREET WEST was built circa 1816 by Amos Biggar and is one of the few houses along Dundas Street in Trafalgar Township which remain from the time of the Rebellion of 1837. The house, believed to be one of the oldest in Halton County, is a good example of the Classic Revival style. In conjunction with the old barn to the rear, the house presents a good example of a Loyalist farmstead.
- ✓ 2507 DUNDAS STREET WEST was built in 1868 for Harvey Morris Switzer, one of the most successful businessmen in the Township of Palermo. The large 2½ storey red brick house is an example of the Canadian Farmer Italianate style. Notable features of the house include arched windows, projecting gables with cornice and returns, heavy roof brackets, gingerbread detail on the porch, double hung windows, and a projecting bay window. Significant interior features include original wooden floors, sliding pocket doors made of cherry wood, ornate ceiling mouldings. The house is a highly visible feature along Dundas Street and is an important reminder of the Village of Palermo.
- ✓ ORIGINAL PORTION OF THE OAKVILLE TRAFALGAR HIGH SCHOOL - 291 REYNOLDS STREET was officially opened in 1909 by the Reverend Sir Robert Alexander Falconer. The original section of the school was designed by the noted firm of Chapman and McGiffin Architects and built by Carson and Elliot Builders of Oakville.

The building is a well-proportioned composition with the main street elevation featuring three prominent stepped gables and a central recessed entrance with stone trim in the "Collegiate Gothic" form. End elevations featured a smaller gable above a canopied student entrance. The steeply pitched roof, with its fish scale pattern creates an attractive composition. The rear elevation featured the same three gable form but was asymmetrical, with a projecting single storey element.

Although most of the original building has been obscured by additions, Oakville-Trafalgar High School is highly visible from Reynolds Street. The building has been and still is, to a degree, a focal point for the area.