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Ponetanguishene, Ont

# TOWN OF PENETANGUISHENE

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10 ROBERT STREET WEST

P.O. BOX 580 LOK 1PO

December 15th, 1981.

Ontario Heritage Foundation, 77 Grenville Street, Queen's Park, Toronto, Ontario. M7A 1E8

Dear Sir/Madam:

RE: Designation under Part IV of The Ontario Heritage Act, 1974.

Enclosed please find the Notice of Intention to

Designate for three buildings:

2 Water Street,

83 Fox Street,

3 Maria Street,

I trust these will meet your requirements.

Yours truly,

Brian Murrant, Secretary,

Local Architectural Conservation

Advisory Committee.

BM/dv

Encl.

in the

IN THE MATTER OF THE ONTARIO HERITAGE ACT, R.S.O. 1980 Chapter 337

AND IN THE MATTER OF THE LANDS AND PREMISES KNOWN MUNICIPALLY AS "THE DR. SPOHN RESIDENCE," 2 WATER STREET, PLAN 9, PART LOT 1, PART LOT 2, SOUTH SIDE OF WATER STREET, IN THE TOWN OF PENETANGUISHENE, COUNTY OF SIMCOE, IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.

# NOTICE OF INTENTION TO DESIGNATE

TO:

2 Water Street, P.O. Box 1067, Penetanguishene, Ontario. LOK 1PO

TAKE NOTICE that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Penetanguishene intends to designate the property, including lands and buildings, known municipally as 2 Water Street, as a property of architectural and/or historical value or interest under Part IV of The Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1980, Chapter 337.

# Reason for the proposed Designation:

(As per the attached sheet)

Any person may, before the 15th day of January, 1982, send by registered mail or deliver to the Clerk of the Town of Penetanguishene notice of his or her objection to the proposed designation, together with a statement of the reasons for the objection and all relevant facts. When a Notice of Objection has been received, the Council of the Town of Penetanguishene will refer the matter to the Conservation Review Board of Ontario for a hearing and report.

DATED at PENETANCUISHENE this 15th day of DECEMBER, 1981.

Y. A. Cagné, A.M.C.T., Clerk-Treasurer.

## Dr. Spohn Residence - 2 Water St.

## Reasons For Designation

This building was constructed before 1878 and was the home and office of Penetanguishene's first doctor, Dr. P. H. Spohn. Dr. P. H. Spohn was the head medial person for the Boys Reformatory and became superintendent when it became the Asylum for the Insane in the early nineteen hundreds.

The house has always been thought of as a doctors house as such doctors as Dr. Spohn, Dr. Blackwell, Dr. Bowman and even as recently as Dr. Woods in the 1970's.

This house shows the significance it carries as a doctors home and office.

From the main facade facing Water Street, an open balcony juts out from the second floor. Above this balcony the high gable roof was recently covered with a black metal roof which is in basic harmony with the rest of the building. The main gable and the east facing gable have retained their bargeboard which adds very much to the buildings level of interest. Projecting from the centre of the gable ends are finials giving the roof a finishing touch.

A part of this buildings charm is its impressive position and stance within its property. When viewed from Water Street one is very much impressed by its simple beauty.