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THE CORPORATION OF
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Jim Leonard,
Registrar, Ontario Heritage Trust,
Heritage Programs and Operation
10 Adelaide Street East,
Toronto Ontario M5C 1J3.

**Re: Notice of Amendment to Municipally Designated Heritage Property – 22
Wilson Street West, Perth ON, By-law No. 2665-2**

Dear Mr. Leonard,

The Town of Perth and the Municipal Heritage Advisory Panel (MHAP) have been working to update municipal heritage designations in order to bring them into compliance with the current standards for designations of heritage buildings as prescribed by the Ontario Ministry of Culture under the *Ontario Heritage Act*.

As the Registrar for the Ontario Heritage Trust, the Town is hereby providing you with notice of the approved amendment. (See attached). The amendment clarifies the Statement of Heritage Value or Interest and the Description of Heritage Attributes of said properties.

If you have any questions please contact Karen Rennie, Heritage Manager / Curator at 613-267-1947.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Lauren Walton".

Lauren Walton, Clerk
Enc.

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Notice of Amendment - Bylaw No. 2665-2
Pursuant To the Provisions of the Ontario Heritage Act
(R.S.O. 1990 c. O.18, s. 31 (3); 2005, c. 6, s. 1.)

TAKE NOTICE that the Council of The Corporation of the Town of Perth has amended Bylaw No. 2665-2 under Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, for those lands located at 22 Wilson Street West (PLAN 8828 PT LOT 1N NORTH STREET).

The amendment was to clarify the Statement of Heritage Value or Interest and the Description of the Heritage Attributes.

Additional information, including a full copy of the amended by-law is available upon request from the Town Clerk.

Dated at Perth, Ontario this 27th day of September, 2012
Lauren Walton, Clerk, Town of Perth
613-267-3311 ext. 2239

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF PERTH

BY-LAW NO. 2665-2

A By-law to amend By-law No. 2665, being a By-law regarding the Municipal Heritage Designation of the James Nichol House located at 22 Wilson Street West

Recitals:

- 1.1. Section 29 in Part IV of the *Ontario Heritage Act*, as amended, provides that the Council of a municipality may by by-law designate a property within the municipality to be of cultural heritage value or interest.
- 1.2. Council wishes to bring the designation into compliance with the current standards for designation of heritage buildings as prescribed by the Ontario Ministry of Culture under the *Ontario Heritage Act*.
- 1.3. The Committee of the Whole reviewed Report 2012-CoW-13.UB.3 and concurs with the information presented.
- 1.4. The Council of the Town of Perth passed Motion #12-104 authorizing staff to publish the Notice of Intention to amend the designation.
- 1.5. On July 12th, 2012, notice of intention to amend the heritage designation of the James Nichol House was served on the property owner, the Ontario Heritage Trust, and published as per the Town's Public Notice Policy;
- 1.6. The public was provided an opportunity to object to the intention to amend the designation within thirty (30) days of the notice, to the Clerk.
- 1.7. The Clerk has not received any objection to the proposed amendment to the designation as of August 13th, 2012.
- 1.8. Council for The Corporation of the Town of Perth deems it advisable to pass this By-law.

Accordingly, the Council of The Corporation of the Town of Perth enacts as follows:

1. AUTHORIZATION

- 1.1. That By-law No. 2665 be amended in its entirety and be replaced with the following:

PERTH HERITAGE DESIGNATED PROPERTIES

Building/Property Name: The James Nichol House
(Commonly called the "The Doctors' House")

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| Address: | 22 Wilson Street, West |
| Original Owner: | Dr. James Nichol |
| Present Owner: | (██████████) |
| Date Built: | ca 1840 |
| Architect/Contractor: | Unknown |
| Original Use: | Doctor's residence and offices. |
| Present Use: | Chartered Accountants' Offices |
| Designated: | Bylaw No. 2665, 1986, Perth Heritage Property, by the <i>Ontario Heritage Act</i> |
| Registration: | Plan 8828 Pt. Lot 1 N, North Street |

Reason for Designation:

This well-crafted stone, one and a half storey house is an excellent example of the early stone mason's work. It is one of the last of the early private residences, turned commercial, to maintain its residential setting on one of Perth's main streets.

Statement of Cultural and Historical Value or Interest:

The "Doctors' House" at 22 Wilson Street West is aptly named, as it has been both residence and office surgery for five eminent doctors.

Dr. James Nichol arrived in Perth from Scotland in 1837 and around 1840 had the stone building erected with a frame building next door adjacent for his surgery and pharmacy. Dr. Nichol was gaol surgeon and justice of the peace from 1854 until his sudden death in 1864. His son, Dr. James Nichol Jr., continued the medical practice from this residence.

In the early days, doctors prepared and dispensed their own medicines, so this was a drugstore as well as an office, surgery and home.

For a short time Dr. Robert Howdon, Surgeon, called this place home, before the two Fowler Doctors became owners. Dr. Richard Victor Fowler moved to this location in 1896 and continued until his son, Dr. Arthur Coulson Fowler, took over the practice from 1926 until he retired in 1972.

It was during Dr. Richard Victor's time that the dormer window above the front door was added to give additional light to the upstairs.

During the 19th century, a peg barn joined the house to a narrow barnlet. The peg barn housed the doctors' horse, their much needed means of travel as they made their way throughout the country-side making house calls. These buildings have been removed from the property.

Architectural Value:

This well-crafted Ontario cottage style house is an excellent example of the skills of the early stone masons of the day. A one and a half-storey stone building, with wood frame shed attached, this house has a centre ground-floor entrance with a fan light and side lights surrounding the door. Two windows, one on each side of the entrance, maintain the classic proportions of the building, along with the classically inspired front porch.

The current owners have been conscientious in maintaining the heritage features, having had the stonework repointed and replacing the windows with heritage wood-mounted, nine-light traditional-style windows.

The building is one of the last of the early private residences, turned commercial, to maintain its residential character on one of the main streets.

Heritage Attributes:

- One and a half storey house;
- Neo-classic entrance with fan light and sidelights;
- Victorian inspired wooden front porch;
- Two main floor double-hung, divided light windows symmetrically placed on either side of the entrance;
- Gabled dormer windows, divided lit above front door;
- Private residence, turned commercial, retaining residential character (lawn and gardens) on a main street, and;
- Cedar shingled roof.

Legal Description:

- The Doctors' House – 22 Wilson Street, West
- Plan: 8828 Pt. Lot 1 N. North Street
- RP27R2969 Part 1
- Assessment Roll #0921 030 070 01800

References:

- L.A.C.A.C., Article, Perth Courier, Wednesday, January 15th 2003
- Almonte Land Registry

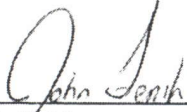
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April 11, 2012.

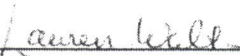
2. EFFECTIVE DATE:

2.1. That this By-law shall come into force and effect upon passage thereof.

Read a first, second and third time and finally passed this the 25th day of September, 2012.



John Fenik, Mayor



Lauren Walton, Clerk

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