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IN THE MATTER OF THE ONTARIO HERITAGE ACT,
R.S.O. 1990, CHAPTER O.18

AND IN THE MATTER OF THE LANDS AND PREMISES
KNOWN MUNICIPALLY AS 210 KING AVENUE WEST, NEWCASTLE
NOW IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF CLARINGTON

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO AMEND DESIGNATION

Take Notice that the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Clarington intends to amend the designation of the property, including the lands and buildings located at 210 King Avenue West, Newcastle, now in the Municipality of Clarington, as a property of architectural and historical value under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter O.18.

REASONS FOR PROPOSED DESIGNATION

Description of Property

"The Hollows", 210 King Avenue West in Part Lot 29, Concession 2, former Village of Newcastle. The Hollows is a 2-storey structure found on the north side of King Avenue West (also known as the King's Highway 2). The frame building incorporates elements from separate periods of the 19th century and is comprised of an older portion in the rear and later addition and porch on the front, closest to the road.

Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest

The property's design and physical cultural heritage value lies in it being an excellent example representative of Upper Canada vernacular style architecture which includes the practice of building the house on an axis with a gable end forming the front facade. The building also incorporates elements of an early trend in Edwardian Classicism including its box-like massing, full two-storeys tall, largely devoid of exterior ornament with the exception of its generous verandahs, classical columns, and chunky railing. Also of note on the interior of the house are: the staircase leading to the kitchen and the original pine flooring, early examples typical of a farmhouse kitchen; the main wooden staircase which displays a high degree of craftsmanship; and the fireplace surrounds and mantles with built in cast and copper burning units, a unique example of a construction method.

The property's cultural heritage value lies in its association with prominent early settlers and residents of Newcastle Village and Clarke Township. The property which accommodates the building was part of a Crown grant to Captain John McGill, a high-ranking government official and personal friend and associate of John Graves Simcoe. McGill sold the lot in question in 1801 to Robert Baldwin, one of the first settlers of Clarke Township. Robert Baldwin was also connected to Governor Simcoe. Baldwin was appointed by Simcoe as the Lieutenant of Durham County (1804-1807). This official title and role was Governor Simcoe's attempt to promote aristocracy, which met with disapproval by the Home Government and was soon abandoned.

The oldest section of the frame house was built around 1830, at a time when that part of the village was known as Crandell's Corners. Very few houses in Newcastle Village of this age remain. The two-story portion of the building and porch at the front were a later addition constructed by a Newcastle carpenter named Poole in the early 1900s. The house was known as "The Hollows" and owned by Major David Bennett, who ran an antique business and resided there for many years.

The property's contextual cultural heritage value lies in its importance in defining, maintaining or supporting the character of the area as a gateway feature in the Foster Creek Valley as you enter/exit Historic Downtown Newcastle.

Further information respecting the proposed designation is available from the Municipality of Clarington.

Any person may, within thirty (30) days of the publication of this notice, send by Registered Mail or deliver to the Municipal Clerk of the Municipality of Clarington, 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 Municipality of Clarington shall refer the matter to the Conservation Review Board for a hearing.

Dated at the Municipality of Clarington this 28th day of May, 2014.

C. Anne Greentree, BA, CMO
Deputy Clerk
40 Temperance Street
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Description of Heritage Attributes

Key attributes of the structure that reflect its values as an example of Upper Canada vernacular style and Edwardian Classicism include:

- The frame facade;
- The two storey L-shaped verandah and verandah rails;
- Material and location of the 2 over 2 sash windows and storms;
- The two 20 paned windows and large paned windows;
- Material and location of the two main wooden doors, one from the 1830s portion and one from the 1900s portion

Key attributes of the structure that reflect its value in defining the character of the historic west entrance to Newcastle Village include:

Its location in the valley of the Foster Creek on the former Danforth Road (now Highway 2) at the western extent of the village

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