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Centre Wellington

ONTARIO HERITAGE TRUST

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June 30, 2017

Colin Baker
Managing Director of Infrastructure Services
Township of Centre Wellington
1 MacDonald Square
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Dear Colin:

Please take notice that, the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Centre Wellington intends to designate the property listed below as a property of cultural heritage value or interest under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990 (Ch.O.18, Sec. 29).

**495 Union Street West
Fergus, Ontario**

Attached is a copy of the notice regarding the intent to designate. Please let me know if you have any questions.

Yours truly,

Mariana Iglesias, MCIP, RPP, CAHP

Encl.

Copy: Ontario Heritage Trust, 10 Adelaide St. E., Toronto ON M5C 1J3

**NOTICE OF INTENTION TO DESIGNATE
PROPERTY IN THE MATTER OF THE ONTARIO HERITAGE ACT
R.S.O. 1990 (Ch.O.18, Sec. 29)**

Take notice that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Centre Wellington intends to designate the property municipally known as 495 Union Street West (see key map below) as a property of cultural heritage value or interest under Part IV of the *Ontario Heritage Act*, R.S.O. 1990, as amended, (c.O.18, Sec. 29)

Cultural Heritage Value: 495 Union Street West

The cultural heritage value of 495 Union Street West lies in its historical value and its contextual value.

The property's history is significant because it is part of what was once a pre-Confederation 100 acre farmstead owned by pioneer Hugh Black. The single storey stone structure (2 storeys at the rear) was built in 1842 for Black and his family and remains relatively unchanged to this day. At the time of its construction, there were only 14 houses in the village. Black was significant for his contribution to the early development of Fergus. He owned the first log tavern/hotel in town which was a favourite local establishment at the northwest corner of St. Andrew St. W. and Tower St. N., known as "Black's Tavern", with an addition that became "St. Andrew's Inn/Tavern", and later the "American Hotel". Black also established the first stage coach service from Fergus to Hamilton and was the first president of the Fergus Curling Club, the oldest continuous curling club in Ontario. The property has contextual value because it provides a significant contribution to the historic streetscape of Fergus on the south banks of the Grand River and is a well-known landmark along a prominent rural route in this part of the Township between Fergus and Elora.

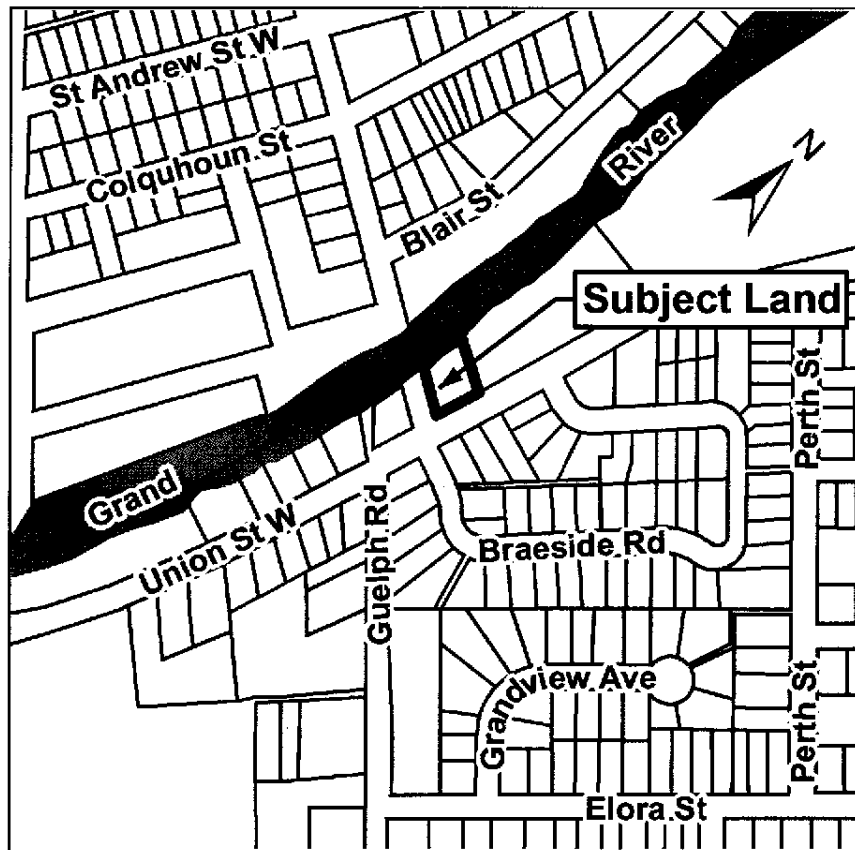
Description of Heritage Attributes:

- Height, scale and massing of original 1842 building, 1-storey at street level and 2 storeys at rear
- Medium pitch hipped roof with projecting eaves
- Rubble stone construction
- Size and pattern of windows (6 over 6 wood sash) and door openings

Note: The front porch enclosure, rear lean-to addition, cement and brick chimneys and detached garage are not attributes included in the designation.

For further information with respect to the proposed designation please contact Mariana Iglesias, Senior Planner, at (519) 846-9691, Ext. 289.

Notice of objection to the proposed designation, together with a statement of the reasons for the objection and all relevant facts may be served on the Clerk of the Township of Centre Wellington on or before the 30th day of July, 2017.



Dated at the Township of Centre Wellington this 30th day of June, 2017.

Kerri O'Kane, Clerk
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