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NOTICE OF INTENTION TO DESIGNATE

To: Ontario Heritage Foundation,
10 Adelaide Street East
TORONTO, Ontario.
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ONTARIO HERITAGE FOUNDATION
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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Petrolia intends to designate the property including lands and buildings, at the following Municipal address as a property of architectural and historical value or interest under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act 1990, Section 29 (1) Chapter O.18.

- a) 439 King Street
Petrolia, Ontario.
N0N 1R0

Reasons for Proposed Designation

Historical Reasons:

Date of Construction: Circa 1881

Occupancy and/or role record:

The house at 439 King Street is a Victorian home built in 1881 by John Kerr, of the name, firm and style of J & J Kerr Builder & Contractor as part of a subdivision around King, Queen and Princess Streets. It was built for Selina and David Manning and sold one year later to Martha (Whittaker) Borland. Richard Borland, a widower, sold the house in 1911 to Mary Spurr whose husband was the local butcher. Lorne and Janet Collier purchased the house from the Spurr family in 1979. Within the house, there is a small cellar with thick wooden walls, insulated with sawdust and vented into the attic, which information indicates that this room was used by the butcher.

Architectural Reasons:

This home has been restored as much as possible, rather than renovated. The ornate oak archway is representative of local interior woodwork found in other historically significant properties in Petrolia crafted by Mr. Bicknell (ie. Charlotte Eleanor Englehart Hospital's Corey Room, Nemo Hall). The simple gingerbread trim has been retained throughout the house. The large double entrance door has all original stained glass on the outer door and original cranberry glass on the inner transom. It is believed that the woodwork is completely original to the house with some of the original light fixtures. There is iron cresting on the front porch and front (east) and side (south) original bay windows. The home maintains the character of the neighbourhood for added contextual value.

This home at 439 King Street, Petrolia is a fine example of late Victorian architecture and I respectfully request heritage designation to ensure preservation of the past.

Any persons may before the 10th day of February, 2012 send by registered mail or deliver to the Chief Administrative Officer of the Town of Petrolia, 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 Petrolia will refer the matter to the Conservation Review Board for a hearing and report.

Dated at the Town of Petrolia this 11th, day of January, 2012.

M. Dianne Caryn
C.A.O.