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THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF WHITBY

In the Regional Municipality of Durham



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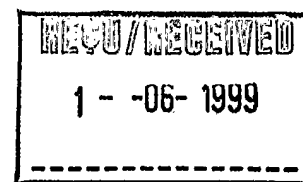
MUNICIPAL BUILDING  
575 Rossland Road East  
Whitby, Ontario  
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May 31, 1999  
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219 Keith Street  
Whitby, Ontario  
L1N 1H8

Re: Officers' Quarters - Whitby Highland Rifle Company  
219 Keith Street, Whitby  
Heritage Designation, Part IV  
The Ontario Heritage Act



At a meeting held on May 27, 1999, the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Whitby approved Planning Director's Report, Item 109-99, to designate the Officers' Quarters located on property municipally known as 219 Keith Street, Whitby, as a Heritage Structure under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act.

Town Council has instructed that staff draft the necessary by-law, together with the reasons for designation for Council's approval.

Enclosed is a copy of the Notice of Intent to Designate which will appear in the June 9th, 1999 issue of Whitby This Week.

Further information regarding the designation can be obtained by contacting Mr. John Taylor, Secretary of L.A.C.A.C. at 430-4306 extension 2275.

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Debbie Shields  
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**THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF WHITBY  
IN THE MATTER OF THE ONTARIO HERITAGE ACT, R.S.O. 1990, c. 0.18  
AND THE MATTER OF  
LANDS AND PREMISES AT  
219 KEITH STREET, TOWN OF WHITBY  
PROVINCE OF ONTARIO**

**NOTICE OF INTENT TO DESIGNATE**

TAKE NOTICE that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Whitby intends to designate the property, including the lands and building, at the following municipal address as property of historical and architectural value or interest under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. 0.18.

**Officers' Quarters  
219 Keith Street  
Whitby, Ontario**

**REASON FOR DESIGNATION OF 219 KEITH STREET, WHITBY**

**Historical**

James Wallace (1814-1882) was born at Kincardine-shire, Scotland, on March 3, 1814, and came to Canada before 1840, settling in Whitby, where he operated a dry goods store at Dundas and Anderson Streets. The house at 219 Keith Street was built as an officers' quarters for the Whitby Highland Rifle Company by its founder, James Wallace. Wallace was a building contractor in 1853 when he received the lucrative contract to build the Ontario County Court House (now the Whitby Centennial Building). His other ventures included publishing the Whitby Watchman from 1859 to 1861, operating a brick yard on Rossland Road at Cochrane Street, operating a soap and candle factory, and sash and door plant. In politics, he was a member of the first Whitby Town Council in 1855 and served as Mayor in 1856.

**Architectural**

219 Keith Street is a fine example of Victorian Gothic revival style architecture. Almost all of the windows appear to be mid-nineteenth century, including original glass. The east facade of the building has a asymmetrically-placed baywindow, which is a distinctive and unusual feature of the house which adds to the building's picturesque qualities. There is very little visual evidence that anything has changed on the interior. Almost all of the interior wood trim and plaster appear consistent, and mid-nineteenth century.

Any person may, before July 9, 1999 send by registered mail or deliver to the Clerk of the Town of Whitby, notice of his or her objection to the proposed designation together with a statement of reasons for the objection and all relevant facts. If such a notice of objection is received, the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Whitby will refer the matter to the Conservation Review Board for a hearing.

DATED at the Town of Whitby this 9th day of June, 1999.

**Donald G. McKay, Town Clerk  
The Corporation of the Town of Whitby  
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Whitby, Ontario, L1N 2M8  
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