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RE: Designation of 8 Robert Kemp Street under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act

This letter is to advise you that Ottawa City Council, at its meeting of November 27, 2024 approved the following recommendation in respect of the above-noted item:

That Council issue a Notice of Intention to Designate 8 Robert Kemp Street under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act according to the Statement of Cultural Heritage Value.

A copy of the complete report in this matter, as well as the minutes of the City Council meeting of November 27, 2024, can be found on the City's website at ottawa.ca/agendas.

Enclosed is the Notice of Intention to Designate, served according to the *Ontario Heritage Act,* to be published online at Ottawa.ca/heritagenotices on December 13, 2024. You will have 30 days from the publication date, until January 12, 2024, to file an objection to the designation. Should you wish to object to the designation, you may do so by submitting a notice of objection in writing, outlining the reasons for the objection and any other relevant information. The notice must be received by the Clerk of the City of Ottawa within 30 days after the online publication of this notice.

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Ligne directe (613) 580-2424 poste 21215 Télécopieur 613 560-2416 <u>Rick.OConnor@ottawa.ca</u> The notice of objection can be submitted via email to <u>CityClerk-</u> <u>HeritageObjections@ottawa.ca</u>, or via registered mail or in-person delivery, by appointment, at the following coordinates:

Caitlin Salter-MacDonald, City Clerk c/o Mélanie Blais, Committee Coordinator 110 Laurier Avenue West, Ottawa, Ontario K1P 1J1, mail code 01-71

To make an appointment, please contact Mélanie Blais, Committee Coordinator at (613) 580-2424, ext. 27005, or at melanie.blais@ottawa.ca. When an objection has been received, City Council will consider the objection including all relevant information within 90 days after the end of the objection period. After consideration of the objection, Council may decide to withdraw the Notice of Intention to Designate or to pass a by-law designating the property under the *Ontario Heritage Act*. Should Council pass a by-law to designate the property, there will be further correspondence from the City on how you may appeal this decision to the Ontario Land Tribunal.

Should you require further information, please contact Sara Wehbi, Heritage Planner, at (613) 580-2424, 21589 or by email at sara.wehbi@ottawa.ca.

Regards,

Caitlin Salter MacDonald City Clerk

 c.c. Lauren Luchenski, Built Heritage Research Coordinator, City of Ottawa (lauren.luchenski@ottawa.ca)
Sara Wehbi, Heritage Planner, City of Ottawa (sara.wehbi@ottawa.ca)
Registrar, Ontario Heritage Trust (registrar@heritagetrust.on.ca)

Encl.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO DESIGNATE 8 ROBERT KEMP STREET AS A PROPERTY OF CULTURAL HERITAGE VALUE OR INTEREST, PURSUANT TO SECTION 29 (3) OF THE ONTARIO HERITAGE ACT, R.S.O. 1990, c. 0.18

DATED AND PUBLISHED at the City of Ottawa this 13th day of December, 2024.

TAKE NOTICE that the City of Ottawa, on November 27, 2024, established its intention to designate 8 Robert Kemp Street under Part IV of the *Ontario Heritage Act* for its cultural heritage value.

DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY

The house at 8 Robert Kemp Street is a one-storey detached bungalow in the Kempark subdivision in former Gloucester Township, now Ottawa. The house was built at Lansdowne Park in 1958 where it was displayed as a lottery home for the Central Canada Exhibition (CCE) before it was relocated to its current location later in the same year.

STATEMENT OF CULTURAL HERITAGE VALUE OR INTEREST

The house at 8 Robert Kemp Street has design and physical value as a representative example of Modernist residential architecture. The Modern style was popular internationally in the 20th century and especially during the postwar period. The building at 8 Robert Kemp Street features typical elements of Modernist residential architecture including its low horizontal profile, asymmetrical façade, vertical wood siding, large windows and clerestory windows, butterfly roof, overhanging eaves, and exposed wood beams. The house also displays a high degree of craftsmanship. The house was built in 1958 for the CCE home lottery at Lansdowne Park by a skilled team of local contractors personally selected by Leonard Coulter, chair of the CCE's Display Home Committee, for their expertise and experience.

The house at 8 Robert Kemp Street is directly associated with the CCE, an annual local exhibition fair in Ottawa that took place at Lansdowne Park from 1888 to 2010. The CCE was an important driver of Ottawa's cultural scene, drawing hundreds of thousands of visitors every year to experience the latest innovations in technology, science, arts, architecture, and more. The house was the grand prize at the 1958 fair, and like all CCE lottery homes, it was built for display at Lansdowne Park and later moved to its permanent location.

8 Robert Kemp Street demonstrates the work of prominent Modernist architects Balharrie, Helmer & Morin, a firm that mainly focused on office and institutional architecture. The firm was active in Ottawa in the 1950s and 1960s and is credited with the design of several notable Modernist buildings in the city, including the Brooke Claxton Building at Tunney's Pasture.

Contextually, 8 Robert Kemp Street maintains the postwar suburban character of Kempark, a rural subdivision located in the city's east end, through its Modernist architectural style, large lot and long frontage, and consistent setback typical of contemporary houses in the subdivision. It is also historically linked to five other CCE lottery homes that were built at Lansdowne Park and relocated to Kempark in the late 1950s to mid-1960s. These houses

are similar design and quality, with all having been designed by prominent Modernist architects and built by a large team of skilled contractors hired by the CCE's Leonard Coulter.

DESCRIPTION OF HERITAGE ATTRIBUTES

Key exterior attributes that contribute to the heritage value of 8 Robert Kemp Street as a representative example of a Modernist residential building include its:

- Low horizontal profile
- Asymmetrical façade
- One-storey massing
- Butterfly roof
- Recessed entrance with overhanging eaves
- Exposed wood beams
- Large rectangular windows
- Clerestory windows
- Vertical wood siding
- Concrete foundation

The interior of the building and any additions or outbuildings are excluded from this designation.

OBJECTIONS

Please be advised that any person wishing to object to this designation may do so under the objection process set out in Section 29 (5) of the *Ontario Heritage Act* by giving the Clerk of the City of Ottawa, within 30 days after the online publication of this notice, a notice of objection outlining the reasons for the objection and any other relevant information.

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