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ONTARIO HERITAGE TRUST

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**IN THE MATTER OF THE ONTARIO HERITAGE ACT
R.S.O. 1990 CHAPTER 0.18 AND
CITY OF TORONTO, PROVINCE OF ONTARIO**

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO DESIGNATE

Davlan Construction Corporation
955 Wilson Avenue, #1
Toronto, Ontario
M3K 2A8

Ontario Heritage Trust
10 Adelaide Street East
Toronto, Ontario
M5C 1J3

E-Park Development Corporation
940 Lansdowne Avenue
Toronto, Ontario
M6H 3Z4

Take notice that Toronto City Council intends to designate the lands and buildings known municipally as 30 Powerhouse Avenue (Canada Foundry Company Office Building) and 980 Lansdowne Avenue and 20 Foundry Lane (Canada Foundry Company Powerhouse) under Part IV, Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act.

Reasons for Designation

Description

The property at **30 Powerhouse Avenue** is worthy of designation under Part IV, Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act for its cultural heritage value, and meets the criteria for municipal designation prescribed by the Province of Ontario under the three categories of design, associative and contextual values. Located on the northeast corner of Powerhouse Avenue and Foundry Avenue, the Canada Foundry Company Office Building (1902) is a four-storey industrial building. The site was listed on the City of Toronto Inventory of Heritage Properties in 2004.

Statement of Cultural Heritage Value

The Canada Foundry Company Office Building has design value as a representative example of an early 20th century industrial building that forms part of a surviving collection of structures associated with the manufacturing site.

The Office Building is associated with the Canada Foundry Company, a subsidiary of the Canadian General Electric Company, which constructed the building on its 60-acre (25-hectare) tract to manufacture a range of steel and cast iron products, including steam locomotives, railway tracks and turntables, bridge components, elevator cages, fences, staircases and architectural ornaments. Known as the Davenport works, CGE produced electrical transformers on the site for nearly 60 years.

Contextually, the Canada Foundry Company Office Building is historically and visually related to its surroundings where, with the adjoining Canada Foundry Company Warehouse and Powerhouse, it is a surviving example of the industrial complex that filled the area southwest of Davenport Road and Lansdowne Avenue for most of the 20th century.

Heritage Attributes

The heritage attributes of the property at 30 Powerhouse Avenue are:

- The four-storey office building
- The scale, form and massing of the structure with its rectangular-shaped plan
- The materials, with brick cladding and detailing
- The flat roofline that is decorated with corbelled brickwork
- The brick piers that symmetrically organize the segmental-arched window openings with voussoirs and sills

Description

The properties known municipally in the year 2011 as 980 Lansdowne Avenue and 20 Foundry Lane containing the Canada Foundry Company Powerhouse are worthy of designation under Part IV, Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act for its cultural heritage value, and meets the criteria for municipal designation prescribed by the Province of Ontario under the three categories of design, associative and contextual values. Located on the south side of Powerhouse Avenue between Lansdowne Avenue and Foundry Avenue, the Canada Foundry Company Powerhouse (1902) is a 2½-storey industrial building. The site was listed on the City of Toronto Inventory of Heritage Properties in 2004. The landmark smokestack on the west side of the powerhouse was demolished in 2010.

Statement of Cultural Heritage Value

The Canada Foundry Company Powerhouse has design value as a representative example of an early 20th century industrial building that forms part of a surviving collection of structures associated with the manufacturing site.

The Powerhouse is associated with the Canada Foundry Company, a subsidiary of the Canadian General Electric Company, which constructed the building on its 60-acre (25-hectare) tract to manufacture a range of steel and cast iron products, including steam locomotives, railway tracks and turntables, bridge components, elevator cages, fences, staircases and architectural ornaments. Known as the Davenport works, CGE produced electrical transformers on the site for nearly 60 years.

Contextually, the Canada Foundry Company Powerhouse is historically and visually related to its surroundings where, with the adjoining Canada Foundry Company Warehouse and Office Building, it is a surviving example of the industrial complex that filled the area southwest of Davenport Road and Lansdowne Avenue for most of the 20th century.

Heritage Attributes

The heritage attributes of the property at 948 Lansdowne Avenue (also known as 20 Foundry Avenue) are:

- The 2½-storey powerhouse
- The scale, form and massing of the structure with the near square-shaped plan
- The materials, with brick cladding and brick and wood detailing
- The truncated gable roof with parapets at the north and south ends
- On the principal (north) façade, the three-part frontispiece with corbelled brickwork
- On the north, east and south elevations, the piers that organize round-arched openings that rise the equivalent of two-stories and contain door and window openings
- The west wall that originally adjoined the landmark smokestack (now demolished)

Further information respecting the proposed designations is available for viewing from the City Clerk's Office.

Notice of an objection to the proposed designations may be served on the City Clerk, Attention: Rosemary MacKenzie, Administrator, Etobicoke York Community Council, Etobicoke York Civic Centre, Main Floor, 399 The West Mall, Toronto, Ontario, M9C 2Y2, within thirty days of February 23, 2012, which is March 24, 2012. The notice must set out the reason(s) for the objection, and all relevant facts.

Dated at Toronto this 23rd day of February, 2012



Ulli S. Watkiss
City Clerk