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September 28, 2017

ONTARIO HERITAGE TRUST

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

### Re: Devitt's Cemetery

12001 Cartwright East Quarter Line, Blackstock, Ontario Notice of Intention to Designate as a Property of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest Under Part IV of the *Ontario Heritage Act* 

Dear Sir/Madam,

Please be advised that at the September 11, 2017 meeting, the Council of the Township of Scugog indicated its intent to designate Devitt's Cemetery, 12001 Cartwright East Quarter Line, Blackstock, Ontario, as a property of cultural heritage value or interest under Part IV of the *Ontario Heritage Act* (the Act).

This notice is being served in accordance with Section 29 of the Act.

Enclosed please find:

- A statement explaining the cultural heritage value or interest of Devitt's Cemetery
- A description of the property's heritage attributes (also available through the Township's website or by contacting the Clerk's Department)
- An excerpt from the September 11, 2017, minutes of the Township of Scugog which includes Council's motion to proceed with the designation
- Notice of Intention to Designate (posted on the Township's website and published in local newspaper)

As per the Act, notice of objection to the designation can be received by the undersigned until October 30, 2017. Upon receipt of an objection, the matter shall be referred to the Conservation Review Board for a hearing and report. If no objection is received within the designated period, Council may consider and pass a By-law designating Devitt's Cemetery under Part IV of the Act.

Township of Scugog, 181 Perry St., PO Box 780, Port Perry, ON L9L 1A7 Telephone: 905-985-7346 Fax: 905-985-9914 www.scugog.ca Should you require anything further regarding the above, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Yours sincerely,

Settingto

John Paul Newman Director of Corporate Services/Municipal Clerk

Encl.

## **DEVITT'S CEMETERY**

**Description of Property** – Devitt`s Cemetery, 12001 Cartwright East Quarter Line, Blackstock Ontario

Devitt's Cemetery is a small active rural cemetery established in the 19<sup>th</sup> century occupying land donated by a neighbouring farmer in the former cross roads community of Devitt's Corners.

#### **Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest**

Devitt's cemetery is of cultural heritage value for its role as the final resting place of several local pioneering and farming families, prominent local citizens including Thomas (Tod) Bruce, Reeve of Cartwright 1922-26, and Andrew Devitt, President Cartwright Agricultural Society and member of the Township Council 1914 -1920, and at least forty unnamed, homeless, and indigent persons who died between 1860 and 1940. The cemetery and a former Wesleyan Methodist Church which occupied the same site until it was destroyed by fire in the 1890's, was the focal point for the tiny farming community of Devitt's Corners.

#### **Description of Heritage Attributes**

Key exterior attributes that embody the heritage value of Devitt's Cemetery include its:

- field wire farm fencing with cedar posts;
- simple wrought iron entrance gate;
- mowed lawn and the shade trees that dot the perimeter
- mix of granite and carrera marble tombstones and monuments dating from the 1860's until the present

# Devitt's Cemetery, 12001 Cartwright East Quarter Line, Blackstock Notice of Intention to Designate as a Property of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest Under Part IV of the *Ontario Heritage Act*

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A statement outlining the cultural heritage value or interest of Devitt's Cemetery is available through the Township's website or by contacting the Clerk's Department.

As per the Act, notice of objection to the designation can be received by the undersigned until October 30, 2017. Upon receipt of an objection, the matter shall be referred to the Conservation Review Board for a hearing and report. If no objection is received within the designated period, Council may consider and pass a By-Law designating Devitt's Cemetery under Part IV of the Act.

This notice is being served in accordance with Section 20 of the Act.

- John Paul Newman, Municipal Clerk

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