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TOWN OF INGERSOLL

Town Centre

April 26, 2018

Attn.: Erin Semande
Ontario Heritage Registrar
10 Adelaide St. E.
Toronto, ON
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In the Matter of the *Ontario Heritage Act* and the property in the Town of Ingersoll known municipally as the former Carnegie Library located at 1 Charles St. East, notice is hereby given that the Town of Ingersoll intends to designate this property under Section 29 (1) Part IV of the *Ontario Heritage Act*, as being a property of cultural heritage value or interest.

Description of the Property

The property located east of Thames St. S. at 1 Charles Street East, is the former Carnegie Library

Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest

The property of the former Carnegie Library is of historical value as it is one of only 125 Carnegie Libraries in Canada which was constructed using funds from the Andrew Carnegie Foundation. Built in 1910, the building represents a growing public awareness of the importance of libraries as educational institutions and has value as a monument to public education and the increasing importance of literacy. The building also once housed Canada's first adult art class in its basement.

The property of the former Carnegie Library is of design or physical value because it closely resembles other educational institutions built in Ontario in the same period. Stratford architect, James S. Russell, designed the structure in the Beaux Arts style, with an eclectic mix of Renaissance and Classical features.

The property of the former Carnegie Library is of contextual value because it is a landmark of the community and is historically linked to its surroundings.

Description of Heritage Attributes

- all elevations and the roof
- all facades
- windows and trim
- construction materials of wood, brick, stone, plaster, parging, metal and glazing
- their related building techniques
- landscape features
- red brick walls with limestone foundation
- cornice lime and brackets
- semi-circle arched cornice
- parapet
- round-arched windows
- brick pilasters with capitals and bases
- decorative keystone
- decorative corbels



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Further Information

Further information respecting the proposed designation is available for viewing at Ingersoll's Town Hall located 130 Oxford St. 2nd Floor during regular business hours.

Sincerely,

Michael Graves
Clerk
Town of Ingersoll

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