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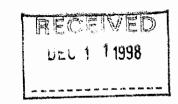
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CITY of STRATFORD Corporate Services

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IN THE MATTER OF THE ONTARIO HERITAGE ACT SECTION 29, R.S.O. 1990, CHAPTER 0.18

AND IN THE MATTER OF THE LANDS AND PREMISES AT THE FOLLOWING MUNICIPAL ADDRESS IN THE CITY OF STRATFORD IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO DESIGNATE

TO: Ontario Heritage Foundation 10 Adelaide Street East Toronto, Ontario M5C 1J3

TAKE NOTICE that the Council of the Corporation of the City of Stratford intends to designate the property at the following municipal address as a property of architectural and historical value or interest under Section 29, of the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter 0.18

21 George Street - Reasons for Designation

This building and its twin at 17 George Street (now demolished) were built in 1871 for James P. Woods. The size and lack of ornate detail is typical of a working man's home. Due to its close proximity to the railroad, and the importance and popularity of the railway in Stratford at that time, it was probably built to house railway workers. James P. Woods later became a County Judge of Perth from 1887-1897. It is unlikely that he resided in the house. The building is Gothic Revival style, characterized by its gable and pitched roof. The decorative bargeboard has been removed. Horizontal clapboards cover the building. The existing porch, although sympathetic, is not original to the house. The building would have been constructed without a porch. The Romanesque rounded arch window on the lower level would have been added about 1905. Although Gothic Revival houses exist in Stratford's residential areas, this older Gothic Revival property is located in Stratford's downtown core and should be designated for this reason.

Notice of objection to the proposed designation, together with a statement of the reasons for the objection and all relevant facts, shall be served on the Clerk of the City of Stratford, by the 8th day of January, 1999. The *Ontario Heritage Act* provides that where a notice of objection has been served, the Council shall refer the matter to the Conservation Review Board for a hearing.

DATED at the City of Stratford this 9th day of December, 1998.

Joan L. Thomson – Acting City Clerk