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September 1, 2009

Ontario Heritage Trust
ATTN: Beth Hanna, Director of
Heritage Programs and Operations
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Dear Ms. Hanna:

Re: Municipal Heritage Designation - 66 Craig Street - Inge-Va House

The Council of the Town of Perth passed By-law No. 3954, a by-law to designate Inge-Va (66 Craig Street) as a Municipal Heritage Designation, at their regular meeting held on Tuesday, June 16, 2009.

Attached for your records is a certified copy of By-law No. 3954, which includes:

- 1. Title and Address of the Designated Property;
- 2. A Description of the Heritage Property;
- 3. Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest;
- 4. Description of Heritage Attributes, and;
- 5. Legal Description.

Should you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesistate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Lauren Walton Clerk/CEMC

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THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF PERTH

BY-LAW NO. 3954

A by-law to designate Inge-Va (66 Craig Street) as a Municipal Heritage Designation

WHEREAS, Section 29 in Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act, as amended, provides that the Council of a municipality may by by-law designate a property within the municipality to be of cultural heritage value or interest;

AND WHEREAS the Committee of the Whole has reviewed CoW Report 2009-9.7 and 2009-12.UB.6 and concurs with staff recommendations;

AND WHEREAS Council of the Town of Perth passed Motion #09-068 authorizing staff to publish the Notice of Intention to designate the property;

AND WHEREAS Notice of Intention to Designate a Certain Property with the municipality was served and published on April 23, 2009, to the Town's website for two consecutive weeks and such notice was conveyed, in writing, to the immediate land owners within a 100 metre radius;

AND WHEREAS the public was provided an opportunity to object to the Intention to Designate within 30 days of the notice, to the Clerk;

AND WHEREAS the Clerk has not received any objection to the proposed designation as of May 26, 2009;

AND WHEREAS the Corporation of the Town of Perth is desirous of enacting such a by-law regarding the Municipal Heritage Designation of Inge-Va.

NOW THEREFORE, the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Perth hereby enacts as follows:

1. The following property be and is hereby designated to be of cultural heritage value or interest:

PERTH HERITAGE DESIGNATED PROPERTIES

Building/Property Name: Inge-Va

Address: 66 Craig Street

Original Owner: The Reverend Michael Harris

Present Owner: Ontario Heritage Trust

Date Built: 1824

Architect/Contractor: Unknown

Original Use: Private residence

Present Use: Museum and apartment residence

Designation: Municipal

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Lauren Walton, Clerk

Date.

Town of Perth, County of Lanark

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Description of Property:

Inge-Va is a stone cottage and frame garage outbuilding located on a 1 1/2 acre property on the south-east corner of the intersection of Craig and Wilson Street East in Perth, Ontario. Most of the main floor is set up as a small museum and the remainder of the house contains a custodial apartment. Expansive, landscaped grounds are enclosed by fencing on three sides and a significant stonewall on the east side.

Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest:

Built in 1824 of local sandstone, Inge-Va combines a formal Georgian symmetry of design with Neo-Classic decorative elements featured in the main entry composition of a unique semi-elliptical fanlight and sidelights. The house itself has remained largely unchanged since its construction with the exception of the addition of the front gable, a French window on the west side of the dining room and the enlargement of the rear wing, all in the latter half of the 1800's. Architectural studies and reports have frequently referred to Inge-Va as the quintessential example of the Eastern Ontario stone cottage.

Following the establishment of the Perth Military Settlement in 1816, this home was the first substantial stone house constructed in the community. It's builder, Major the Reverend Michael Harris was the first Anglican priest to be assigned to the area and was responsible for establishing parishes in ten adjoining townships. In 1832, the house was leased and then sold to Thomas Radenhurst, one of the first lawyers to set up practice in the newly established legal center of the district. His nephew by marriage, Robert Lyon, was the victim of the last fatal duel in Canada, an event that has been forever linked to the house. Radenhurst's son, William, also practiced law in Perth and served as Mayor for four terms in the 1870's.

Two generations of the Inderwick family then occupied the house from 1894 to 1989, naming it Inge-Va; which means, "come here" from the Tamil language of Sri Lanka. Cyril Inderwick and his wife, Winnifred Shaw, established a reputation well beyond the community for their interest and knowledge of heritage preservation. In 1932 Cyril became a founding member of the Architectural Conservancy of Ontario. Following his death in 1962, Winnifred donated the house to the Ontario Heritage Trust in 1974 including its contents, which provide a valuable collection reflecting the history of Perth and the families who owned the property.

Description of Heritage Attributes:

Primary attributes, which portray the heritage importance of Inge-Va as a significant example of the Rideau corridor stone cottage, include:

- A formal and symmetric Georgian composition in local sandstone, which demonstrates the skill of early, Scottish-trained stonemasons.
- Neo-classical design elements in the semi-elliptical fanlight and the fine tracery of the sidelights making up the main entry combined with the centered, front gable.
- The four imposing 12 on 12 frame windows of the north façade.
- Gabled, metal roof featuring single brick chimneys centered at each end of the side gables.
- One and a half storey rear extension in stone reflecting the symmetry of the main house and containing a large brick, cooking fireplace with crane.
- On the interior, the house contains wooden floorboards, much of the original trim and baseboards, a central arch framing the stairwell and five outstanding fireplaces featuring unique and different Adamesque surrounds.

It should be noted that any alterations to or restoration of the buildings must be undertaken by and under the supervision of the Ontario Heritage Trust.



Legal Description: Lot 1 south side Craig Street and Part Lot 1 north side Brock Street corner of Craig and Wilson Streets Plan No. 8828, Town of Perth, County of Lanark.

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Read a first time, second and third time and finally passed this the 16^{th} day of June, 2009.

John Fenik, Mayor

Lauren Walton, Clerk

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