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IN THE MATTER OF THE ONTARIO HERITAGE ACT, 1974 S.O.
CHAPTER 122

AND IN THE MATTER OF THE LANDS AND PREMISES AT THE FOLLOWING
MUNICIPAL ADDRESSES IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO DESIGNATE

To: Ontario Heritage Foundation
77 Bloor Street West,
TORONTO, Ontario
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TAKE NOTICE that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Renfrew intends to designate the properties, including lands and buildings, at the following municipal addresses as properties of architectural and/or historical value or interest under Part IV of The Ontario Heritage Act, 1974, S.O. Chapter 122.

- (a) BARNET BLOCK, 278 RAGLAN STREET SOUTH
Reasons for the proposed designation: "The property is of both architectural and historical significance having been built in 1894 by Alexander Barnet, a prominent lumber baron, to house his offices and the Merchants Bank of which he was a director. After his death in 1917 the building had a variety of uses, including the W.B. Clark Drug Store, a Library Hall, and A.J. Freiman Limited department store. The Barnet Block is architecturally similar to the other 19th century commercial buildings on Raglan Street. Both front (Raglan Street) and side (Prince Avenue) facades are distinctive with the former being characterized by a metal cornice and unusual windows with semi-elliptical window transoms."
- (b) PROPERTIES FROM RHONDA ANN FASHIONS TO BEST REGARDS,
260 TO 276 RAGLAN STREET SOUTH
Reasons for the proposed designation: "This row of buildings is of architectural significance due to their relationship with the Barnet and Mackay Buildings. All bearing dates of construction from 1897 to 1901 the buildings maintain architectural continuity for the block which typifies that period of prosperity for the Town. They all have the same general height, similiar elaborate cornices and prominent pediments or ornamental towers."

(c) FRASER'S MENS APPAREL, 254 RAGLAN STREET SOUTH

Reasons for the proposed designation: "The building is of architectural significance, in part due to its huge second floor facade window with fan transom, round-headed shape with a label having a terra cotta egg and dart band and a striated voussoir. Other distinctive features include its unique cornice which is animated with garland patterns, dentilwork, corner blocks and a broken pediment decorated with shell patterns and the numerals 1901. Historically, the building formed part of the McKay Brothers large general store. Fraser's have occupied the store since 1920."

(d) MACKAY BUILDING, 248 RAGLAN STREET SOUTH

Reasons for the proposed designation: "The building is of historical and architectural significance being built in 1896 by the Mackay Brothers who established a general merchants store on the corner. The store was no doubt patronized by the railway crews and lumbermen of J.R. Booth. In 1917 the structure became the well known Renfrew Confectionary Palace operated by the Haramis brothers. Architecturally the building is significant for the original features retained on the front and Renfrew Avenue facades, which are similar to other 19th century commercial structures on the main street. These features include the heavily bracketed cornice with a pediment, the squared and rounded surrounds of the second and third floor windows with floral patterned keystones, brick detailing below the cornice and elaborately decorated chimney."

(e) MCPHAIL & PERKINS LIMITED, 142 RAGLAN STREET SOUTH

Reasons for the proposed designation: "This building, constructed in 1883, by Peter and James Stewart is situated on the site of the old Stewart Brothers Store. The three storey brick building was to be the finest in the village and was the first building in Renfrew to use steel beam construction. The building also had the first freight elevator in Renfrew and an overhead cash trolley from the sales counters to the office. It was a store of importance, being a distribution centre for a variety of goods which would arrive by rail to this the end of the railway line. Architecturally significant the facade has unusual elongated windows with surrounds which correspond in colouring to the elaborate cornice with its panelwork, brackets, pediment and finial."

(f) BONNINGTON HOUSE, 291 PLAUNT STREET SOUTH

Reasons for the proposed designation: "This house is of both architectural and historical significance. It is a two storey stone structure with a cottage roof. The corner stones are dressed while the walls, doors and window lintels were built with undressed angular random sized stone quarried locally. This stone house, the first in Renfrew, was built by George Bonnington a tailor from Scotland around 1850 on property purchased from Xavier Plaunt. Alex and Marion Jamieson, daughter of Sergeant Henry Airth, later resided in the house. In 1919 the George Thacker family occupied this property which later was used by Trinity St. Andrews United Church for a nursery. Presently the house is maintained but not in use."

Notice of objection to the proposed designation , together with a statement of the reasons for the objection and all relevant facts may be served on the Clerk of the Town of Renfrew before the 14th day of August, 1980.

Dated at The Town of Renfrew this 14th day of July, 1980

ROBERT G. HOWSE, Clerk - C.A.O.
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