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WHITCHURCH-STOUFFVILLE "COUNTRY CLOSE TO THE CITY"

TOWN OF

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RECEIVED NOV 1 4 2002 CONSEHVA TION REVIEW

Ontario Heritage Foundation Mr. Allan Gotlieb, Chairman 10 Adelaide Street East Toronto, Ontario M5C 1J3

Dear Mr. Gotlieb:

November 8th, 2002

RE: HISTORICAL DESIGNATION - 19 CIVIC AVENUE, OLD TOWN HALL AND CLOCK TOWER (C10-C0 & R01)

Please be advised that the above-noted matter was placed before Council at its meeting held on November 5th, 2002.

It was the decision of the Council, at that time, to pass the following resolution:

"THAT By-law 2002-169-DS, being a By-law to designate the old Town Hall and Clock Tower at 19 Civic Avenue, Stouffville as a Heritage Designation of architectural and historic interest, be adopted."

Yours truly,

Mrs. Michele Kennedy, B.A., C.M.O. Town Clerk

MK/sw Attachment

copy: Bigioni Barristers Mr. Michael Bigioni

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF WHITCHURCH-STOUFFVILLE

BY-LAW NUMBER 2002-169-DS

A By-law to designate the Old Town Hall and Clock Tower, 19 Civic Avenue, Stouffville of architectural and historic interest.

Whereas Chapter O.18 of the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, authorizes the Council of a municipality to enact by-laws to designate real property including the buildings and structures thereon, to be of historic or architectural value or interest; and

Whereas the Council of the Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville has caused to be served upon the Ontario Heritage Foundation, notice of intention to designate the aforesaid real property and has caused such notice of intention to be published in a newspaper having general circulation in the municipality; and

Whereas the reasons for designation are set out as Schedule "A" hereto; and

Whereas no notice of objection to the said proposed designation has been served upon the Clerk of the municipality;

NOW THEREFORE THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF WHITCHURCH-STOUFFVILLE ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

- 1. That the following real property, being the Old Town Hall and Clock Tower, municipally known as 19 Civic Avenue, Stouffville, in the Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville in the Regional Municipality of York, being Plan 972, Lot 26 and 28 and Plan 51, Part Lot 1, Block C be designated as being of historic and/or architectural value or interest.
- 2. The Municipal Solicitor is hereby authorized to cause a copy of this by-law to be registered against 19 Civic Avenue in the proper land registry office.
- 3. The Clerk is hereby authorized to cause a copy of this by-law to be served upon the Ontario Heritage Foundation and to cause notice of this by-law to be published in a newspaper having circulation in the Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville.

READ a first and second time this 5th day of November, 2002.

READ a third time and passed this 5th day of November, 2002.

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Wayne Emmerson, Mayor

Michele Kennedy, Clerk

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SCHEDULE "A" to By-Law 2002-169-DS

Reasons for Designating the Property municipally known as Plan 972, Lot 26 and 28 and Plan 51, Part Lot 1, Block C, 19 Civic Avenue, Stouffville Publicly known as the OLD TOWN HALL AND CLOCK TOWER

The Old Town Hall was built in 1903 and was originally a concert hall. It was converted into a movie theatre (Stanley Theatre) in 1923. The Village of Stouffville used the building for municipal offices and council meetings between 1959 and 1970. The Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville continued to use the buildings until 1998. It is among the oldest and most culturally significant buildings in the downtown core. The two and one half storey brick building with its gabled parapet, corbelling, plinths, decorative brickwork facade and trimmed windows was an important meeting place and centre of social activities in the Town.

In 1889, Nathan Forsyth built a fire hall on the present site of the Clock Tower. Between 1899 and 1959, it was an important municipal building used as a fire hall, for Council meetings, as a library and a jail. The square brick Clock Tower was built in 1931 to replace the original wooden hose tower. With the exception of the Clock Tower, the building was demolished in 1967.

The Old Town Hall and Clock Tower are representative of the public and commercial development of downtown Stouffville and are important symbols of municipal government. The Old Town Hall precinct is prominently located in the cultural landscape of the downtown core and is an important public space symbolically associated with the Town's identity.