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IN THE MATTER OF THE *ONTARIO HERITAGE ACT*, R.S.O. 1990, c. O.18, AS AMENDED, AND IN THE MATTER OF THE PROPERTY MUNICIPALLY KNOWN AS 183 MAIN STREET EAST, IN THE TOWN OF KINGSVILLE

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO DESIGNATE

TAKE NOTICE THAT the Council of The Corporation of the Town of Kingsville intends to designate 183 Main Street East as a property of cultural heritage value or interest under Part IV, Section 29 of the *Ontario Heritage Act*, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter O.18, as amended.

Description of Property:

The Esther Jasperson Campbell House, 183 Main St. East, Kingsville.

The Esther Jasperson Campbell House, constructed circa 1925, is a 2 ½ -storey brick dwelling in the Neo-Georgian (also known as Colonial Revival) style, located on the South side of Main Street East, in the Town of Kingsville.

The legal description of the subject property is:

PT LT 2 CON 1 EASTERN DIVISION GOSFIELD (KINGSVILLE) AS IN R1027697; KINGSVILLE

Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest: The property's cultural heritage value lies in its association with Bonzano Jasperson, one of Kingsville's leading citizens, and his family. Bon Jasperson, as he was known, was the grandson of a fur trader who settled in the Detroit area in 1813 and who at one time owned land that stretched from the Detroit River to Tecumseh Road in Windsor along what is now Walker Road. Bon Jasperson's mother was the granddaughter of John Weigele (Wigle), a German who was one of the Kingsville area's first settlers. Bon Jasperson's father, Lewis Frederick Jasperson, was a Detroit merchant trader, who with his wife, Nancy Jane Wigle, moved to Kingsville in 1849 and set up what was believed to be the first general store in town.

Bon Jasperson (1869-1947) was one of Kingsville's leading citizens. He was an entrepreneur who owned companies involved in all aspects of local life. He and his father and brothers cleared virgin lumber from Pelee Island in the 1880s and ran a saw mill in Romney. He owned a grain warehouse and was a grain and seed dealer. He was Kingsville's first private banker. He brought a canning factory to town, later sold to Canadian Cannery. He also had a business interest in the Essex Tobacco Company, later called the Hodge Tobacco Company. He and David Conklin purchased the Electric Light Plant in 1899, later selling it to the Detroit Edison Company. He purchased a lot at 14 Division Street South on which stood a harness shop and constructed an office block. He owned a brick and tile business in Coatsworth, and farming operations throughout the area. He owned extensive tracts of land and was a pioneer of the area's oil and gas industry. He managed the Kingsville Natural Gas and Oil Company, he developed gas fields in Kent County and started an oil business on Pelee Island, the Pelee Gas & Oil Company.

Bon Jasperson had the home at 171 Main Street East constructed as a wedding gift to his only daughter, Esther Gertrude. Esther Jasperson (1897-1973) was a

member of the Church of the Epiphany where she sang in the choir. She was the first president of the Evening Guild and a member of the Imperial Order Daughters of the Empire (IODE) during both world wars. In 1916, when the first group of Girl Guides was formed in Kingsville, Esther was one of the first leaders.

Esther married Dr. Thomas Donald Campbell, who at times in Kingsville's history was the town's only dentist. Dr. Campbell served in the dental corps in Canada and England during the First World War and he rescued Kingsville's boy scouts from oblivion in 1925 by becoming Scoutmaster.

Esther's mother, Gertrude Jasperson (1872-1966), led the choir at the Church of the Epiphany. She was a charter member of the IODE and she did charitable work involving the welfare of young people.

Esther's brother, Frederick Kent Jasperson (1900-1982), was a lawyer and the commander of the Essex Scottish Regiment during the ill-fated raid on Dieppe during the Second World War. After the war where he had been taken prisoner, he returned to Essex County where he was named a local magistrate.

The design of the Esther Jasperson Campbell House is featured on the cover of the 1913 Aladdin Houses catalogue, where it was called "The Brentwood," and in the 1920 annual catalogue of the Canadian Aladdin Company where it was called "The Lockwood." Aladdin, a kit-home company founded in Bay City, Michigan in 1906, used premium lumber for its framing and finishes. The home was advertised as "an exclusive design that will not be sold to more than one customer in any community without the previous consent of the first owner." It is the only home of its design on Kingsville's register of properties of cultural heritage value or interest.

Description of Heritage Attributes:

The Esther Jasperson Campbell House embodies many elements of fine craftsmanship and design:

Brick façade with uncut fieldstone foundation;

Half-hipped roof with deep eaves;

Centred door;

Single-storey, enclosed verandas at the east and west ends;

Second-storey windows that from east to west are comprised of French doors leading to a balcony; three adjoined double-hung, 9-over-9 windows centred above the front door; and two sets of double-hung windows comprised of two, 12-over-12 windows each;

Two sets of adjoined windows comprised of three, 12-over-12 windows each on either side of the front door on the front façade;

Three windows on each gabled end of the building, two on the second storey and one in the half-storey under the hipped roofline;

Frieze board on enclosed verandas;

A mostly flat, front façade excepting a bumped-out wall to the west of the front door covered by a shallow roof accented with a frieze board.

The Esther Jasperson Campbell House is a stately building which has landmark status in the Town of Kingsville. It is assessed as a Class 1 building that exceeds the established threshold for designation.

Further information respecting this proposed designation is available from the Town of Kingsville. Any inquiries may be directed to Sandra Kitchen, Deputy Clerk-Council Services at 519-733-2305, ext. 223, or by email at skitchen@kingsville.ca.

Notice of an objection to the proposed designation may be served on the Town Clerk, 2021 Division Road North, Kingsville, Ontario, N9Y 2Y9, within thirty days after the date of publication of this Notice of Intention to Designate.

Section 29(5) of the Ontario Heritage Act provides: A person who objects to a proposed designation shall, within thirty days after the date of publication of the notice of intention in a newspaper having general circulation in the municipality, serve on the clerk of the municipality a notice of objection setting out the reason for the objection and all relevant facts.

The last date to file a notice of objection is May 8, 2020.

DATED at Kingsville, this 1st day of April, 2020.

Jennifer Astrologo, Director of Corporate Services/Clerk
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