

March 25, 2024

Grant Bivol, Town Clerk

1593 Four Mile Creek Road

Niagara-on-the-Lake, ON L0S 1T0

Re: Letter of Objection for the Intention to Designate 1 Paxton Lane

Locust Hall (Part of Lot 90) under the Heritage Act of Ontario

Mr. Bivol:

We are still in complete shock after viewing page 12 of the March 7th Lake Report newspaper that the Town has applied to have our residence designated under the Heritage Act of Ontario.

We strongly object to your application at this time, as follows:

a) There has been absolutely NO correspondence or communication between the owners of said property and the Town as to this application. This is truly unacceptable.

b) Five generations of Woodruffs including Richard H., Richard N., Francis D., Paul V. and Richard J., along with a 6th generation in the wings, have looked after said property and grounds for close to 200 years without any outside interference from any government agency.

c) This designation will certainly add undue financial burdens to the current owners and to future generations of the Woodruff family as owners of said property. Future generations should not have to be burdened by this Designation.

d) This Intention to Designation has seriously caused undue stress to the present owners and to our current family members.

Please acknowledge receipt of this correspondence upon receipt, a hard copy will follow.

Signed

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signed

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