## **APPENDIX A**

September 26, 2023

Town Clerk 1225 Trafalgar Road Oakville, ON L6H 0H3



Re: Notice of intention to designate 383 Douglas Avenue - Peake House, Lot 183, Plan 113, Town of Oakville

To whom it may concern:

We are writing to express our objection to the designation of our property. While we appreciate the Town's recognition of the historical value of our property, we are concerned about its impact on our ability to make decisions regarding our home, especially in terms of how it could limit our options when we decide to sell it.

We also have a few observations with the heritage value or interest statement.

- 1. Brantwood neighbourhood: Innumerable modern homes exist and are under construction in this area. The historical relevance of Brantwood was diluted during the past many years.
- 2. Other examples of Craftsman and Tudor Revival: On Allan Street alone, there are examples of this style at 209, 168, 155, 151, and 147. Are they, too, to be designated at some point? Why would our home be designated when these others are not?
- 3. Energy efficiency: While the windows on the front of our home are in character, they are profoundly inefficient from an energy use perspective. Designation suggests we could not replace these with a more environmentally friendly alternative.
- 4. Designation affecting resale: We know several examples of designated homes languishing on the market even in periods of high activity. For example, the property at 332 Douglas Avenue has been listed for many months with little interest. While we have no intention to sell in the near term, the designation may have a material and negative impact on the home's value.

We request that our property be removed from the list of homes to be designated.

Sincerely,

Don & Kate Kerr

Owners, 383 Douglas Avenue