

Dear CHO Board Members,

I attach the following:

- (a) draft template for municipal heritage committees;
- (b) draft template for municipal councils; and
- (c) draft template letter to be sent by the mayors to the Premier with copies to the Minister of Citizenship and Multiculturalism, the Minister of Finance and the Chair of Ontario Heritage Trust.

As you know, Architectural Conservancy Ontario (ACO) is requesting a **5** year extension to the deadline for listed properties currently protected under the *Ontario Heritage Act* (OHA). The deadline is currently January 1, 2025 so the request is for an extension to **January 1, 2030**. The OHA stipulates that all properties which had been earmarked and listed as important prior to January 1, 2022 must be stricken from the municipal heritage registers by January 1, 2025 if not designated.

ACO has included this extension as one of its "asks" in the ACO meetings with MPPs on February 21 at Queen's Park. ACO is also writing Premier Doug Ford and Minister Michael Ford with this request.

Thank you for agreeing to forward the attached documents to your municipal heritage committee (MHC) members so that, through the MHCs, municipal councils will be asked to pass motions calling for this extension. The attached documents are draft templates which can be modified at the local level as appropriate.

Your assistance with this campaign is greatly appreciated. Please note that time is of the essence if this amendment to the OHA is to be part of the spring session legislation.

Please let me know once you have forwarded the draft template documents to your MHC members. Also, please let me know which MHCs are members of CHO.

Many thanks,

Regards,

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