Dear Municipal Heritage Committee Chairperson,

Pleased see the following announcement regarding proposed amendments to the *Ontario Heritage Act*.

Regards,
Best

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Sent: To: Cc:

Subject: Proposed Amendments to the Ontario Heritage Act

Hello,

It was announced May 2, 2019, that the Minister of Tourism, Culture and Sport is proposing amendments to the Ontario Heritage Act to support the Housing Supply Action Plan.

The proposed amendments will improve transparency and efficiency in municipal decision-making, while continuing to protect the cultural heritage resources that communities' value.

Key proposed changes would bring improvements to the designation and listing processes; facilitate timely and transparent decision-making; and provide for consistency in appeals processes.

Full details of the proposed amendments are posted on the provincial Environmental Registry for public review until June 1, 2019, at https://ero.ontario.ca/notice/019-0021. We invite you to provide comments through this website.

Further opportunities to provide input on the development of regulations and guidance that support the proposed amendments will be available later this year.

Thank you,

Kevin Finnerty Assistant Deputy Minister Culture Division