

BY-LAW NO. 2025-0043

A By-law to designate the McCuaig-Feller House, located at 2 King Street, Georgetown, under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act as being of cultural heritage value or interest.

WHEREAS Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, c.O.18 authorizes the Council of a municipality to enact a by-law to designate real property, including all of the buildings and structures thereon, to be of cultural heritage value or interest;

AND WHEREAS authority was granted by the Council for the Corporation of the Town of Halton Hills to designate the property located at 2 King Street, Georgetown, Regional Municipality of Halton, and known as the McCuaig-Feller House, as being of cultural heritage value or interest;

AND WHEREAS the Council for the Corporation of the Town of Halton Hills has caused to be served upon the owners of the land and premises known as the McCuaig-Feller House, located at 2 King Street, Town of Halton Hills, and upon the Ontario Heritage Trust, Notice of Intention to Designate the property and has caused Notice of Intention to be published on the Town's website per the Town's "Ontario Heritage Act – Alternate Notice Policy";

AND WHEREAS the Reasons for Designation are set out in Schedule "B" of this by-law;

AND WHEREAS on March 24, 2025, Council for the Town of Halton Hills approved Report No. PD-2025-017, dated March 7, 2025, in which certain recommendations were made relating to the designation of the subject property;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF HALTON HILLS ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

- 1. THAT the McCuaig-Feller House, located at 2 King Street, Georgetown, and further described in Schedule "A", is hereby designated under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act as being of cultural heritage value or interest for the reasons set out in Schedule "B" attached to and forming part of this By-law;
- 2. THAT a copy of this By-law together with reasons for the designation be registered against the property and served in accordance with Section 29 of the Act;
- 3. THAT a notice of this By-law be published in accordance with Section 29 of the Act.

BY-LAW read and passed by the Council for the Town of Halton Hills this 26th day of May, 2025.

MAYOR – ANN LAWLOR	

TOWN CLERK – VALERIE PETRYNIAK

SCHEDULE "A" TO BY-LAW NO. 2025-0043 LEGAL DESCRIPTION

PT LT 23, PL 37, SE OF EMERY ST, AS IN 616429

PIN: 250400035

SCHEDULE "B" TO BY-LAW NO. 2025-0043

REASONS FOR DESIGNATION

Description of Property

The property at 2 King Street is located along the southeast side of King Street (formerly Emery Street) in the community of Georgetown within the Town of Halton Hills. The property is a rectangular-shaped lot and features a two-storey red brick dwelling with a stone foundation, hipped roof, dormer, wooden covered porch, and an addition along the rear (northwest) elevation.

Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest

The McCuaig-Feller House at 2 King Street has physical and design value as it is a representative example of an early twentieth-century residential building in the Edwardian architectural style. Built by Robert Waldie in 1912, the two-storey residential building exhibits features typical of the style including a hipped roof, central dormer along the front (northwest) and side (northeast) elevation, smooth red brick façade and tall brick chimney, an American Four-Square layout, as well as one-storey covered wooden porch with white painted square wooden columns, plain eaves, and a wooden knee-wall.

The property at 2 King Street is directly associated with Robert John Waldie (1876-1938), one of Georgetown's most prolific builders of Edwardian residences in the early twentieth century, as well as the prominent Feller family. Waldie constructed the residence in 1912, along with three other Edwardian homes at 12, 17, and 19 McNabb Street between 1909 and 1912. The first family to own the subject property, the McCuaig family, lived in the residence for a decade while Robert Roderick McCuaig (1875-1957) worked as a farm manager in Georgetown before selling the property to Arnim and Lucy Feller in 1922.

Arnim "Ernie" Hulbert Feller (1882-1972), who managed the Harley-Kay knitting machinery firm before becoming Master Mechanic at Provincial Paper Ltd., also served as Ward 2 Councillor and chaired Georgetown's Water and Fire Committee. He cofounded the Georgetown Lions Club and held leadership roles within the local Masonic community. His wife, Lucy Ellen Feller (née Lake) (1892-1996) was an active member of the Georgetown Women's Institute (GWI), hosting weekly meetings from the 1930s through the 1970s and serving as GWI president in 1934. Both Lucy and her daughter Floria Elizabeth (1921-2024) both became Georgetown's oldest residents, each living to the age of 104, with Lucy passing in 1996 and Floria in 2024.

The McCuaig-Feller House at 2 King Street has contextual value as it is important in defining and maintaining the late-nineteenth and early twentieth-century character of King Street, surrounding the former Grand Trunk Railway Station in Georgetown. The property remains physically, visually, and historically linked to its surroundings as a residential building along King Street. The property is relative in scale and design to neighbouring properties and has not been identified as a landmark in the community.

Heritage Attributes

The identified heritage attributes of the property at 2 King Street that contribute to its physical and design value include:

 The setback, location, and orientation of the existing building along King Street in Georgetown;

- The scale, form, and massing of the existing c.1910s, two-storey Edwardian residential building with hipped roof;
- The materials, including smooth red brick, wood, and stone;
- The front (northwest) elevation, including:
 - The covered wooden porch with square wooden columns, knee wall, and plain eave detailing;
 - Flatheaded window openings with stone sills and lintels at the first and second storey;
 - Dormer located at the second storey with hipped roof and tripartite window opening; and,
- The side (southwest and northeast) elevations, including:
 - Flatheaded window openings with stone sills and lintels at the first and second storey.

The identified heritage attributes of the property at 2 King Street that contribute to its historical and associative value includes:

• The legibility of the existing property as an early-twentieth-century Edwardian residential building within the community of Georgetown in the Town of Halton Hills.

The identified heritage attributes of the property at 2 King Street that contribute to its contextual value include:

- The legibility of the existing property as an early-twentieth-century Edwardian residential building within the community of Georgetown in the Town of Halton Hills;
- The setback, location, and orientation of the existing building along King Street in Georgetown; and,
- The scale, form, and massing of the existing c.1910s, two-storey Edwardian residential building with hipped roof.