

SCHEDULE "A"

LEGAL DESCRIPTION

Part of Lot 12, Concession 6,
designated as Part 2 on Plan 59R-4007, being Part of PIN 64035-0092(R)
Town of Pelham, formerly Township of Pelham, Regional Municipality of Niagara

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SCHEDULE "B"

REASON FOR THE DESIGNATION

The Town of Pelham is indeed fortunate to have a tree such as the Comfort Maple in our community. It has strong historical significance and is believed to be the oldest and largest sugar maple tree in Canada. The Comfort Maple has been on the Honour Roll of Trees of the Ontario Forestry Association for more than 20 years. In 1974 the tree was recognized by the International Shade Tree Growers Association, who also commended the N.P.C.A. for their vision and foresight in preserving the Comfort Maple for posterity.

The Comfort Maple is a Pelham Landmark; its importance and significance have been recognized through its use on the front of Pelham's tourism brochure for 1999 and has been incorporated into the Coat of Arms for the Town of Pelham since 1979 as a symbolic emblem of Pelham's place in Canada.

The Comfort family owned the land where the Comfort Maple stands since 1816. Robert Comfort was a UEL (United Empire Loyalist); originally the land belonged to Major David Secord of St. David's, brother-in-law of Laura Secord, and the Comfort Maple was part of a 100 acre Crown Grant to Secord in 1808.

The tree is a source of pride for the Comfort family, the citizens of Pelham, the Niagara Region and beyond. The designation of this tree is an opportunity for the Town of Pelham to officially recognize the contributions of volunteer groups and individuals such as the Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authority, the Comfort family, and the current owner of the Comfort Maple, Dr. Paul Coyne, who have given so much to the community.

