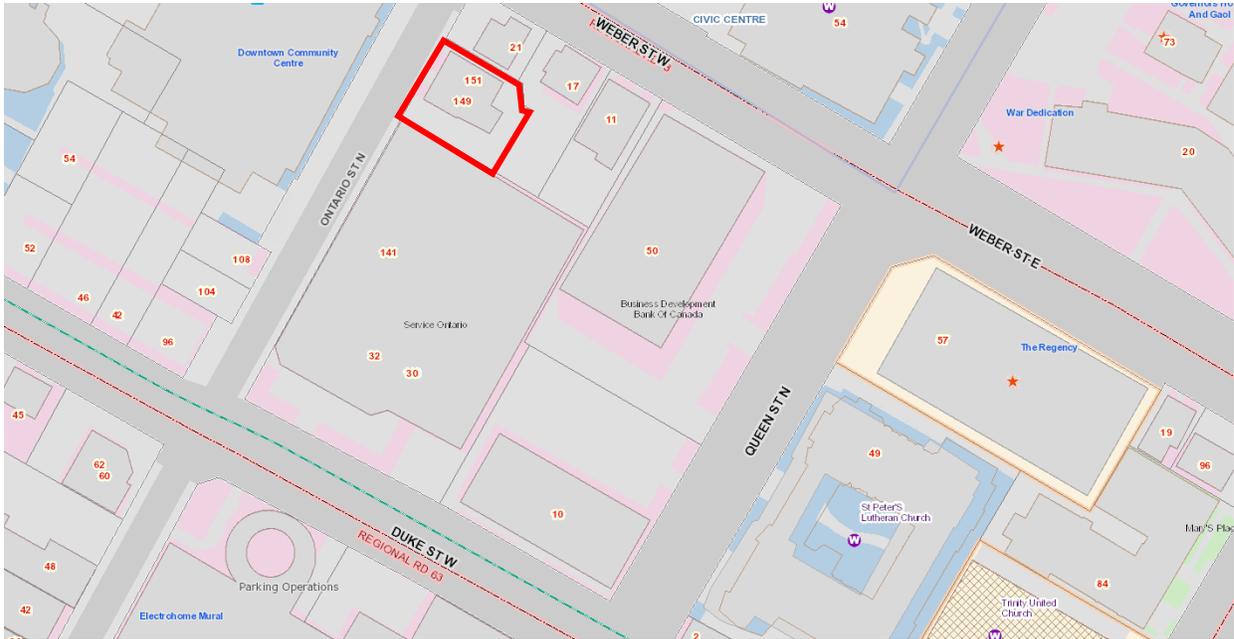


# STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

## 149-151 ONTARIO STREET NORTH



### Summary of Significance

Design/Physical Value

Historical Value

Contextual Value

Social Value

Economic Value

Environmental Value

**Municipal Address:** 149-151 Ontario Street North

**Legal Description:** Plan 401 Part Lot 11

**Year Built:** c. 1876

**Architectural Style:** Italianate with Georgian influences

**Original Owner:** Wilhelmina Bauman

**Original Use:** Residential

**Condition:** Fair-Good

### Description of Cultural Heritage Resource

149-151 Ontario Street North is a two-storey 19<sup>th</sup>-century brick building. The building is constructed in the Italianate architectural style with modest Georgian influences. The building is situated on a 0.15 acre parcel of land located on the east side of Ontario Street North between Duke Street West and Weber Street West in the City Commercial Core planning area of the City of Kitchener within the Region of Waterloo. The principal resource that contributes to the heritage value is the building.

## **Heritage Value**

149-151 Ontario Street North is recognized for its design/physical and historical/associative values.

### **Design/Physical Value**

The property municipally addressed as 149-151 Ontario Street North demonstrates design or physical value as an early example of a late 19<sup>th</sup>-century, semi-detached, vernacular brick building with both Italianate and modest Georgian architectural influences. The building has many intact original elements and is in fair to good condition. Features which represent the Italianate architectural style include: paired eave brackets; tall segmentally arched paired windows; quoins; brick voussoirs with drip molds; and wide overhanging eaves. Some modest Georgian architectural style influences include: the paired chimneys; side gable roof; and overall symmetrical design.

### **Historical/Associative Value**

The property municipally addressed as 149-151 Ontario Street North has historical and associative value because it is the last remaining example of a residential building in this section of Ontario Street North and it is an example of a working-class residence. City Directories from 1893 until 2014 indicate that 149 Ontario Street North was used as a short-term rental for dozens of occupants.

### **Heritage Attributes**

The heritage value of 149-151 Ontario Street North resides in the following heritage attributes:

- Buff brick construction;
- Symmetrical plan with two bay windows;
- Side gable roof and overhanging eaves;
- Wood brackets;
- Brick quoining;
- Segmentally arched window openings;
- Brick voussoirs with drip mold;
- Front door openings with transoms; and
- Two brick chimneys.

### **References**

LHC Planning & Archaeology Inc. (2023). Heritage Impact Assessment Update. Kingston, ON.

## Photographs



Front Elevation (West Façade)



Rear Elevation (looking West)



Side Elevation (looking North)



Detailing of bay window and voussoirs, brick voussoirs with drip molds and brackets.