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May 25, 2016

His Worship Mayor Dennis O'Keefe
Deputy Mayor Ron Ellsworth
Councillors Breen, Collins, Galgay, Hann, Hickman, Lane, O'Leary, Puddister, and Tilley
City of St. John's
P.O. Box 808
St. John's, NL A1C 5M2

Re: Bryn Mawr (Baird's Cottage), 154 New Cove Road, St. John's

Dear Mayor O'Keefe, Deputy Mayor Ellsworth, and Councillors Breen, Collins, Galgay, Hann, Hickman, Lane, O'Leary, Puddister, and Tilley,

We write to thank all members of Council for their careful consideration of the designation of Bryn Mawr as a municipal heritage building. We appreciate that this was a difficult decision and support Council's commitment to the preservation of our collective built heritage.

We would like to take this opportunity to express our sincere desire to participate in the dialogue Councillor Hann referenced in his remarks at the meeting of May 24, 2016. The Newfoundland and Labrador Historic Trust is a committed community partner in developing solutions for properties like Bryn Mawr that are both economically viable and preserve the heritage for which our City is known. We welcome opportunities to discuss how this dwelling and the surrounding property might be repurposed for the 21st century through heritage-centered development or adaptive reuse.

The Historic Trust is a membership-driven, 100% volunteer organization dedicated to the preservation of the built heritage of Newfoundland and Labrador. Our members bring to the table the interests and experiences of residents who own and restore historic properties in the City of St. John's and across the province, and our Board of Directors are experts in built heritage, education, tourism, community development, sustainability, urban design, law, and architecture.

While our organization has no political affiliation, we overlap and collaborate with the Heritage Foundation of Newfoundland and Labrador, a provincially mandated non-profit that is responsible for providing support, including grants, for the restoration and preservation of our province's architectural heritage.

The Historic Trust would be delighted to explore solutions for Bryn Mawr in cooperation with the property owner, the Heritage Foundation, the City of St. John's, and other interested parties. Please do not hesitate to contact us at coordinator@historictrust.ca.

Sincerely,

Peter Jackson, Cory Thorne, Jessica Dellow, Emily Wolf, Nancy Brace, Kim Cooper, Grant Genova, Jillian Hood, Tera McDonald, Kirsten Morry, and Scott Osmond
Board of Directors, Newfoundland and Labrador Historic Trust

The Newfoundland Historic Trust is a non-profit, membership-driven organization dedicated to the preservation of the built heritage of Newfoundland and Labrador through advocacy, research and education since 1966.

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