Heritage Property - 326 - 11th Street East

Street Address

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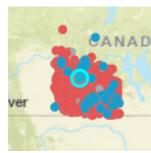
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Statement of Significance

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The heritage value of 326 - 11th Street East also resides in its unique blend of Second Empire and Pioneer Vernacular architectural styles. A 1½-storey wood-frame house with a Mansard roof and dormer windows, it consisted of a kitchen, a great room and two upstairs bedrooms accessible by a split staircase. Various changes have been made over the years resulting in additional living space and the development of the house's Pioneer Vernacular influences.

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The heritage value of 326 - 11th Street East resides in the following character-defining elements:

- -location on its original site;
- those elements that reflect the form and dimensions of the original house, particularly its great room, two original bedrooms and its split upper staircase;
- those elements that speak to the building's Second Empire features, such as its Mansard roof and dormers;
- those elements that depict the building's Pioneer Vernacular architectural style, such as its verandah;
- those elements that speak to the earliest evolution of the residence, such as additional lathing, plaster and horizontal drop siding (1885);
- those elements that speak to the original early building materials, including the lumber believed to have been from the first barge load shipped to the Temperance Colony.