# *Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest*

**Bradford Post Office c. 1935**

The subject property has been researched and evaluated to determine its cultural heritage significance according to Ontario Regulation 9/06. This Regulation, defined in the *Ontario Heritage Act*, outlines several criteria for determining whether a property is of cultural heritage value or interest. For a property to be designated under section 29 of the *Ontario Heritage Act,* it must meet two or more of these criteria, which are outlined below. By using these criteria, staff can determine if the property's cultural heritage value or interest merits designation under the *Ontario Heritage Act*.

Description of Property

The property at 22 Barrie Street is located on the east side of Barrie Street. The property contains a Classic Revival/Art Deco, c. 1935 commercial property. Due to its association with being the first Bradford Post Office, it is known as the Bradford Post Office.
Its legal address is:
22 Barrie Street; Lot 6, North Side of Holland, Plan 122A

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*Design/ Physical Value*

The Bradford Post Office has design and physical value as representative example of a Classic Revival/Art-Deco, c. 1935 property. The building was built around 1935 and has the following characteristics: two storey building with three bays; pilastered and arcaded-like design on front façade with rectangular openings for doors and windows.

*Historical/ Associative Value*

The Bradford Post Office has historic/associative value for its direct association with the being the first Post Office in Bradford and designed Canadian Architect by Gordon S. Adamson. Gordon S. Adamson's first project was the Bradford Post Office and has gone on to design a number of other signature buildings around the world. Being the first post office in Bradford also contributed to the growth and development of the Town.

*Contextual Value*

The Bradford Post Office has contextual value because it defines and supports and maintains the character of the downtown Bradford area and its unique architectural style lends itself to become a local landmark.

*Description of Heritage Attributes*

Key heritage attributes of the Bradford Post Office that exemplify its heritage value as a Classic Revival, c. 1935 commercial building as it relates to the property include:

- Two story building with three bay design
- Rectangular openings (doors and windows)
- Brick Cladding
- Distinct Concrete Design around front entrance of building
- Symmetrical pilastered and arcaded-like design on front façade
- Masonry detail (Reliefs) on upper roof and on pilasters on front façade

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- Balustrades on upper roof deck
- Any Canadian limestone uses in the façade of the building