

AS ACTED UPON DURING A DULY NOTICED OPEN MEETING OF THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF HENRIETTA, COUNTY OF MONROE, STATE OF NEW YORK, HELD AT THE HENRIETTA TOWN HALL AT 475 CALKINS ROAD, HENRIETTA, NEW YORK ON SEPTEMBER 27, 2023 AT 6:00 P.M.

RESOLUTION #19-323/2023 To designate 5517 East River Road a historic site.

On Motion of
Councilmember Bellanca

Seconded by
Councilmember Bolzner

WHEREAS, the Property at 5517 East River Road in the Town of Henrietta, Tax Account Number 188.03-1-11, (the "Property") features a two-story bungalow called "the Detroit" built around 1914 and ordered as a "kit" house from Aladdin Read-Cut Houses, part of the North American Construction Company of Bay City, Michigan; and

WHEREAS, this is the only "kit" house the Historic Site Committee is of aware of in Henrietta, representing an important change in how homes could be built; and

WHEREAS, the house was honored with the 2023 Architectural Heritage Award earlier this year; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Henrietta Town Code at Section §295-37, and at the request of the Property owner, the Henrietta Historic Site Committee is considering designating the Property as a historic site by the Town of Henrietta; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing was duly advertised for and held on September 27, 2023, to hear all interested parties on whether the Property should be designated as a historic site in the Town of Henrietta; and

WHEREAS, the Historic Site Committee provided supporting materials demonstrating the historic character of the property and was present and did inform the public and the Town Board about the Property and its merits as a historic site.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the owner and the Historic Site Committee having indicated consent to the Property being designated as a historic site in the Town, the Property at 5517 East River Road in the Town of Henrietta is hereby approved for designation as a historic site in the Town of Henrietta.

Duly put to a vote:
Councilmember Sefranek Aye
Councilmember Bolzner Aye
Councilmember Page Aye
Councilmember Bellanca Aye
Supervisor Schultz Aye

RESOLUTION ADOPTED



TOWN OF HENRIETTA

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September 5, 2023

Henrietta Town Board
475 Calkins Road
Rochester, NY 14623

Re: 5517 East River Road

Dear Supervisor Schultz and members of the Henrietta Town Board:

The Historic Site Committee has received an application and consent form from the owners of the property at 5517 East River Road, Tax ID 188.03-1-11, requesting to become a designated Henrietta Historic Site.

The Historic Site Committee presented the 2023 Architectural Heritage Award to Brigid and Michael André of 5517 East River Road.

Built around 1914, this two - story bungalow, called “the Detroit”, was ordered from Aladdin Readi-Cut Houses, part of the North American Construction Company of Bay City, Michigan.

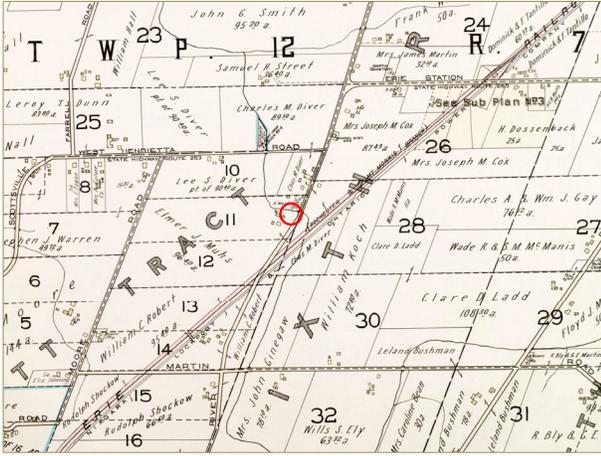
This is the only “kit” house we are aware of in Henrietta. It represents a unique and important change in how homes could be built. We are grateful that Brigid and Michael André are caring for this property.

Therefore the Henrietta Historic Site Committee recommends the Town Board approve the application for historic site designation.

Thank you,
Gary Goodridge – Chair, Henrietta Historic Site Committee

The Henrietta Historic Site Committee presents
the 2023 Architectural Heritage Award to

The Martin – André residence at 5517 East River Road



Location on 1941 map of West Henrietta



Over the years, the house was enlarged with four additions.

The property was originally owned by Frank L. Martin and called Endeavor Farm. He probably built the home ca. 1914. He raised potatoes, beans, wheat and hay and was a breeder of thoroughbred barred Plymouth Rock Chickens. The property remained in the Martin family until 1973.

Recently, purchased by Brigid and Michael André who are beginning the slow process of restoration.

“The Detroit”, an Aladdin Read-Cut House from the North American Construction Company



The chimney is original.



THE DETROIT

A two-story design and yet carrying genuine bungalow lines throughout. Roomy, well arranged, and very satisfactory to all owners. This makes one of the most charming little homes imaginable with its good living room, three bed rooms, kitchen, bath, big closets, roomy porch, and semi-open stairway. The price, as on our other buildings, is at least 30 per cent. lower than the same building could possibly be built by ordinary methods. Consider the advantage of knowing in advance the exact cost of all the material for the complete structure. The bath room can be furnished as a sleeping porch instead of bath if preferred.

SPECIFICATIONS
Size, 26 x 30 ft. Price, \$936. Cash Discount, 5%. Net Price, \$889.20. See Terms on Page 2.
All lumber selected Yellow Pine, Red Cedar, and Huron Pine.
Height of ceilings, 9 ft.; second floor, 8 ft.
Sill, 6 x 8 S. I. P.
Joists, 2 x 8 in. first floor; 2 x 6 in. second floor. Rafters, 2 x 6 in. Studding and ceiling joists, 2 x 4 in.
Flooring, clear and knotless. Sub-floor. Building paper.
Siding, 1 in.
Side walls, siding and shingles, or all siding or all shingles.
Roof, 1 1/2 in. lumber, overlaid with shingles.
Lath and plaster or patent plaster board.
Base board, stairs, and all interior trim and finish, clear and knotless Oregon Fir.
Windows, two sliding sash, glass double strength, also special sizes.
Doors, outside, 2 ft. 8 in. x 6 ft. 8 in.; inside, 2 ft. 8 in. x 6 ft. 8 in.; front door, special design.
Porch columns square, with railing.
Front steps.
Hardware, locks, hinges, knobs, nails, and paint for two coats outside; oils, stains and varnishes for inside.

First Floor Plan, The Detroit

Second Floor Plan, The Detroit

To own an Aladdin House is to make you the most envied householder in town.
J. H. GREEN,
Newton Falls, Ohio.





The Detroit \$989.90

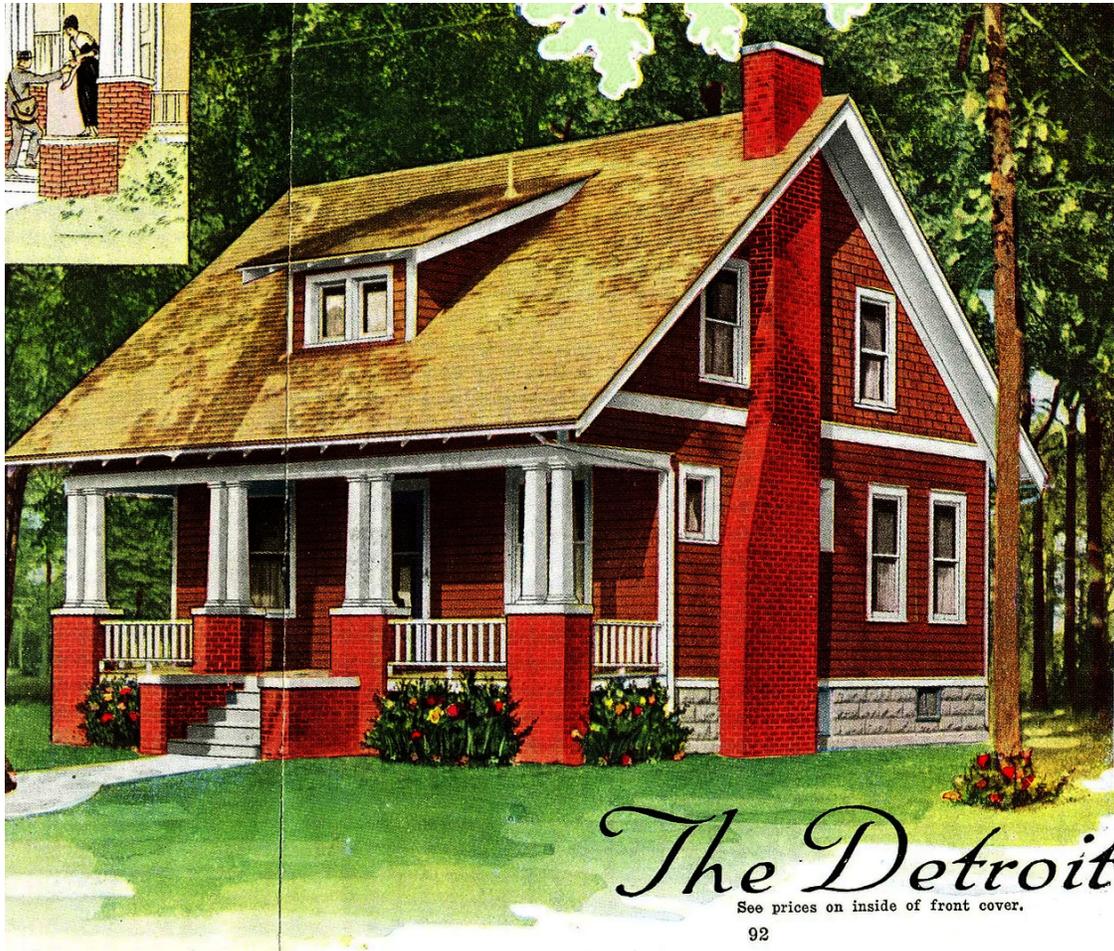
Price, \$1,042.00
Cash discount, 5%
Net price, \$989.90

AN enthusiastic owner of this attractive semi-bungalow writes saying: "The more I see the Detroit and the longer we live in it, the greater becomes our love for it. After a year, we cannot suggest how your architects could make it more attractive or your designers improve the arrangement. This I believe you will admit is exceptional because usually after giving a house that most sure test of actually living in it, you have some improvement or changes you would make. We have none."

Who will not agree that actually living in a house is the best test? We believe that the longer you study the design and arrangement of the Detroit, the more fully you will realize why this owner has no improvements to suggest. Without being gaudy it is attractive, without being elaborate it is simple. No attempt has been made to embellish, yet you could not add anything without really destroying—in short the Detroit seems to stand complete—with nothing to add or leave off.

Notice how the porch extending the entire width of the house has been made not a seemingly attached part, but a real part by carrying over the main roof lines, while the double porch columns seem to give just the right stability for this style of construction. Artistic grouping of different style windows; open cornice, exposed rafters, straight line dormer, and an especially artistic porch rail construction seems to leave nothing to be desired.

In interior arrangement the Detroit is equally pleasing. (See interior illustration on page 99).



The Detroit

See prices on inside of front cover.



HENRIETTA HISTORIC SITE DESIGNATION

Application is hereby made to the Historic Site Committee and the Town Board of the Town of Henrietta for the following property to be designated as a Historic Site pursuant and subject to Article X of the Henrietta Town Code.

Property Address: 5517 East River Road

Tax Account #: 263200 188.03-1-11

Property Owner(s): Michael Andre and Brigid Andre

I/we approve and consent to the local historic designation of the property referenced above.

Owner Name(s) (Printed): Michael Andre and Brigid Andre

Mailing Address: 5517 East River Road
West Henrietta, NY 14586

Phone Number: [REDACTED]

Dated: 09/05/2023

Signature(s): Michael Andre [Signature]

Brigid Andre [Signature]

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Confirmation by Town of Correct Property Address, Tax Account # and Property Owners. Initials ____

Public Hearing Held? Date _____

Certificate of Designation Prepared and Sent? Initials ____



Town of Henrietta Local Historic Designation Application

Property Address: 5517 East River Road

Year Property was Built: 1914

Is the property listed in the National Register of
Historic Places? No Yes, Record # _____

Owner Information

Name: Mike and Brigid Andre

Mailing Address (if different from above):

Phone: [REDACTED]

Email: [REDACTED]

Reason Applying for Designation

(attach additional sheet if necessary):

Our home is a kit home, ordered from Aladdin

Readi-Cut Houses, part of the North American

Construction Company of Bay City, Michigan.

Our house reflects an important concept in home
construction.



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Town of Henrietta
Historic Site Committee

The Town of Henrietta Historic Site
Committee is a group of seven
volunteers appointed by the Town
Board.

For upcoming meeting dates, please
visit www.henrietta.org. All interested
residents are invited to attend and
participate.

For More Information Contact:

Town of Henrietta
Historic Site Committee
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Henrietta, NY 14467
www.henrietta.org
hsc@henrietta.org

Rev. 11/28/2016

Local Historic Site Designation



Antoinette Brown Blackwell House

*Preserving our heritage
for future generations*



Town of Henrietta





150 Stone Road

Historic Preservation

In an era when houses and commercial buildings all look alike, Henrietta residents and visitors to our town can appreciate the historic places and the extra effort required by owners to maintain their historic properties. These places help connect us with our past and remind us of the history of our town.

The first Henrietta Historic Site District was created in 1979. Today, the Town of Henrietta has 87 properties in 13 Preservation Districts. These include churches and barns, however most are private residences.

Many people wonder about the relevance of historic preservation. Preservation gives a community a distinct identity. It reminds us that our histories have meaning - that our present springs directly from our past!



283 Castle Road

Benefits of Designation

- Local historic site designation is the only designation that can prevent demolition or inappropriate alterations to the exterior structure of historic buildings viewable from public right-of-ways.
- Historic preservation can provide stable property values and may even increase these values.
- Income producing properties which are designated local historic sites and are listed in the National Register of Historic Places may qualify for federal income tax credits.
- Participation in historic preservation provides your community the opportunity to recognize the historical, architectural and cultural significance of your property.
- Voluntary membership in a historic preservation district gives the homeowner the opportunity to preserve his or her home for future generations.
- The Historic Site Committee, the Landmark Society of Western New York, and other state agencies are available to advise homeowners on appropriate methods and materials for maintaining the property.

Frequently Asked Questions

How can my home qualify?

Your house may qualify if it was once the residence of a prominent individual who made significant contributions to the cultural, social, economic or political development of the town. Your property may also represent one or more examples of local architecture that have not been significantly altered from their original design. Or your property may be in a unique location which represents the development of an area of the town. All houses must be at least fifty years old.

Will designation as an historic site increase my taxes?

No. Changes in the assessed valuation of homes and other properties which affect your tax rate do not occur because you have joined a preservation district.

Can I make changes to my home and property?

Yes! Normal exterior maintenance which conforms to the original standards of the period are at the discretion of the homeowner. All permit requests submitted to the Town's Building Department for alteration, modification, new construction or demolition affecting historic sites will be turned over to the Historic Site Committee for review. Preserving the interior, while encouraged, is not required.

How do I nominate my property for designation?

Fill out the attached application or contact the Historic Site Committee.