



December 1, 2017

Dear Members of Planning & Urban Development:

Re: Designation of the Blum Residence as a Municipal Historic Resource

The Calgary Heritage Authority (CHA), in accordance with its role to advise Council and Administration on heritage matters in the City of Calgary, would like to take this opportunity to support the designation of the Blum Residence located in Shawnessy as a Municipal Historic Resource.

The Blum Residence is listed on the CHA *Inventory of Evaluated Historic Resources* as a City Wide Historic Resource.

The Blum Residence is a one-storey with full-height basement Expressionist house set back from Shannon Road SW on a large property in the Shawnessy neighbourhood in Calgary's Southwest. The home is distinguished by its rambling massing with curved corners, flat thin-shell concrete roof and dramatic crescent-shaped full-height fieldstone supports, flanking each side of the front façade. A balcony with a low wooden balustrade lines the main storey of the house. A curved fieldstone wall and wooden flat roof garage fronts the south side and a gravel driveway lines the south end of the property. The house is situated within a context of newer 2000s houses on the west side of the cul-de-sac.

Thank-you for your thoughtful consideration on this matter, should you or your staff require more information please contact our executive director, Josh Traptow at josh@calgaryheritageauthority.com.

Sincerely,

Pam Heard
Chair, Calgary Heritage Authority

