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Hull, Quebec **Stable, Virginia Moore Farm** Boulevard Alexandre-Taché

## HERITAGE CHARACTER STATEMENT

The stable at the Virginia Moore Farm was built circa 1910, designer unknown. It is the property of the National Capital Commission (NCC)—See FHBRO Building Report 90-71.

# **Reasons for Designation**

The stable was designated Recognized for its architectural and environmental significance. Built in an elegant Queen Anne Revival idiom combined with a specific function, few stables of this style have survived and few of this stature have been inventoried. The stable is well sited on an open crest of land and is highly visible from the road.

# **Character Defining Elements**

The heritage character of the stable is defined by its design, form, materials and detailing, and by its site and open setting above Boulevard Alexandre-Taché.

Clad with tongue-and-grouve siding, the design of this very large, H-shaped stable emphasizes the picturesque massing of its numerous gables and central cupola. The ornamental king-post gable treatment, finials and fenestration - particularly the round-headed windows - are integral to the design. The central ventilation cupola is noteworthy for its louvered sides, pyramidal roof, and miniature gables. The original exterior design, detailing and building fabric should be maintained and any repair effected using appropriate materials and techniques.

The interior has undergone few substantive alterations or additions to the original layout. The stalls and work room are separated by wide aisles; access to the stalls is further facilitated by narrow passages along the outside walls. The large windows provide light and ventilation. Finishing details around the round-headed windows, the stalls and some wood finishing in the workshop and tack rooms are noteworthy. The original plan and finish details should be maintained, as should the heavy-timber work of the upper hay loft.

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# Hull, Quebec Stable, Virginia Moore Farm (Continued) The open areas around the structure are integral to both the historic and current setting of the stable and should not be compromised by new development.

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