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John G. Cooke & Associates Ltd. was established in Ottawa in September 1992 and has steadily built a solid reputation, based on a wealth of collective expertise and excellence in serving the needs of our clients. Ours is an organization of design professionals who are thoroughly versed in Structural Engineering and Heritage Conservation practices and procedures, and experienced in servicing the varied requirements of governmental, institutional, and private sector groups. We understand and appreciate the necessity of harmonious interrelationships between client representatives, consultants, the public and private sectors and the public at large to minimize delays and to effect functionally and financially successful projects.

Principals and staff are committed to the principle that our clients' interests come first. It reflects the very essence of our business – acting as the client's advocate, providing services whose quality has become a hallmark. It is one of the reasons we dedicate ourselves so intently to the preplanning, design, production, bidding, field review and post-construction processes that are part of every project. Our second principle is that, to us, each project is unique. Just as the client brings to the team an individual combination of past experiences, needs and expectations, so each project embodies its own distinctive requirements and challenges. Rather than apply a single approach to every undertaking, the way we marshal our resources is determined by the project itself.

Our experience includes several governing and institutional clients throughout the National Capital Region and across the country, including Public Services and Procurement Canada, Parks Canada, Heritage Conservation Directorate, University of Ottawa, Carleton University, National Capital Commission, City of Ottawa, Algonquin College and Fairmont Hotels. The confidence of our many continuing clients attests to our reliability to analyze problems and develop workable solutions.

John G. Cooke & Associates Ltd. has a workforce of thirty (30), including fourteen (14) professional engineers and sixteen (16) technical personnel. We can provide full professional services in both official languages.

Current owners, Lisa Nicol, Chris Vopni, and Jonathan Dee, are all long standing employees of the company, each with 19 years plus Heritage Structural Engineering experience. Federal Heritage projects are a mainstay within the Company, including past projects like Bank of Montreal Rehabilitation, Government Conference Center Rehabilitation, West Block Rehabilitation, Canada Four Corners Rehabilitation, East Block Technical Feasibility Study, Justice Building Feasibility Study, and the on-going Center Block Rehabilitation.

John Cooke, President Emeritus is recognized by his peers as a specialist in historic masonry conservation. The demand for his in-depth understanding and vision when addressing conservation issues speaks eloquently of his competence. He was the only private sector engineer requested to review the second edition of ***The Standards and Guidelines for the***

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***Conservation of Historic Places in Canada.*** In addition, he contributes to discussions on historic masonry and mortars with **CSA Technical Committees** and the **National Research Council Mortars Working Group**. John has also earned international recognition, presenting at **RILEM** (Réunion Internationale des Laboratoires et Experts des Matériaux) Historic Mortars Conference and participating in **International Construction Information Systems** forums.

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