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THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PITTSBURGH BY-LAW NO. 31-82

A by-law to designate a certain property as a property of historic and architectural value or interest.

WHEREAS Section 29 of THE ONTARIO HERITAGE ACT, RSO 1980, Chapter 337, authorizes the Council of a Municipality to enact by-laws to designate property to be of historic or architectural value or interest;

AND WHEREAS notice of intention to designate certain properties within the municipality was served on the owners of the properties and on The Ontario Heritage Foundation on the 20th day of January, 1981 and was published in the Whig Standard, a newspaper having general circulation in the municipality, on January 24th, 31st and February 7th, 1981;

AND WHEREAS the reasons for designation are set out in Schedule "B" attached hereto;

AND WHEREAS notice of objection to the following proposed designation was served on the Clerk-Administrator by the owners of the property, but such objection has since been resolved and withdrawn:

THEREFORE the Council of The Corporation of the Township of Pittsburgh ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

- The following property be and is hereby designated as being of historic and architectural value or interest, namely, part of the East Half of Lot 5, Concession 3,
- 2. The above mentioned property is more particularly described in Schedule "A" attached hereto.
- 3. This by-law shall come into force and take effect on the day of passing.

I, Beulah N. Webb, Clerk Administrator for the Corporation of the Township of Pittsburgh do hereby certify that this is a true copy of By-Law No. 31-82 passed the 18th day of October, 1982.

> Mrs. Beulah N. Webb, Clerk Administrator

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READ A FIRST AND SECOND TIME THIS 18 DAY OF COLORS , 1982.

Mrs. Beulah N. Webb Clerk Administrator

READ A THIRD TIME AND FINALLY PASSED THIS 18 DAY OF October , 1987.

Mrs. Beulah N. Webb AMCT Clerk Administrator

Hans Westenberg Reeve



Part of the East Half of Lot 5, Concession 3

Owners:

All and singular that certain parcel or tract of land and premises situate lying and being in the Township of Pittsburgh, in the County of Frontenac, and being composed of Part of the east half of Lot 5, Concession 3 of said Township, more particularly described as follows:

COMMENCING at the point where the westerly limit of the east half of Lot 5 intersects the northerly limit of the road allowance between Concessions 2 and 3;

THENCE easterly along the northerly limit of said road allowance a distance of 200 feet;

THENCE northerly parallel to the said lot limit a distance of 150 feet;

THENCE westerly parallel to the said road allowance a distance of 200 feet;

THENCE sputherly 150 feet to the point of commencement.

Part of the East Half of Lot 5, Concession 3. Owners:

Original owner: J. Anthony English

Date of Construction: 1816-1820

ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION: The English House is a one and a half storey farmhouse which is constructed of cut, broken-coursed limestone. It is T-shaped in plan. The medium-pitched end gabled roof has two single, brick chimneys, one at the east and one at the west end of the gable peak.

Unless otherwise mentioned, all window openings are flat-headed with monolithic lintels and wooden lugsills. Each is a double-hung sash window with two lights per sash.

The main facade, on the south side, has a central doorway with two windows on each side. The doorway has a flat opening and is surrounded by plain trim, above which is a monolithic lintel. The medium-pitched, end gabled wooden porch is a later addition. Above the roofline are two dormer windows. These dormers have scalloped bargeboards which are identical to those on the gable end of the porch.

The west facade has two upper storey windows, and the east facade is the same.

There is a summer kitchen extending from the back, with a lean-to roof continuing from the roofline of the main block.

There is also a wooden cookhouse, originally detached from the main building, but now connected by a passageway, on the north side of the house. This cookhouse is in a bad state of repair, and is not to be included in this designation. It was built in 1913.

There are two pairs of limestone gateposts by the edge of the road, one marking the main entrance to the house, and the other marking the original drive entrance.

HISTORY: The original owner, J. Anthony English, arrived in Pittsburgh Township in 1816, shortly after his marriage to Martha Finley. It is assumed that he build the house within the following four years.

During the early to mid-nineteenth century, the house was used as an overnight stop for the stagecoach between Kingston and Gananoque. A feature of the house that may relate to its use as an inn, is that there is a liquor bottle built into the east wall, a bible into the southeast corner, and coins into the southwest corner. The explanation for this, passed down through the English family, is that this would ensure that the inn would never be without hospitality, the faith, or money. Letters in the family's possession indicate that the house was used to billet solidiers in the 1860's. In 1904, James A. English was appointed postmaster of the Dufferin district, and the house was used as a post office until 1913.