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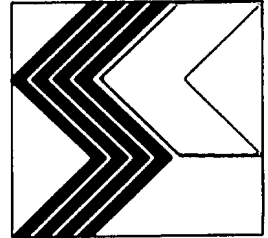
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September 19th, 1990

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CITY CLERK

Ontario Heritage Foundation  
77 Bloor Street West  
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TORONTO, Ontario  
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Dear Sirs:

Re: By-laws to Designate Properties  
at 366 St. Paul Street and  
134 Church Street to be of Historic  
or Architectural Value or Interest  
Our File No. 10.64.138

Enclosed is a copy of By-law No. 90-377 and By-law No. 90-378 which were enacted by the Council of the City of St. Catharines on September 17th 1990, and which designate the above-noted properties pursuant to Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act.

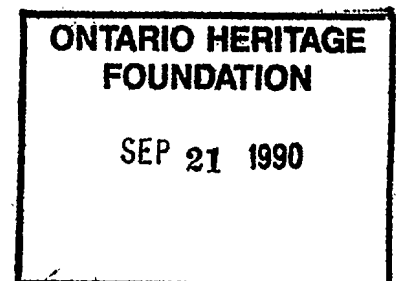
In accordance with the provisions of the Ontario Heritage Act a public notice will be placed in the St. Catharines Standard respecting this matter.

Yours truly,

Delores Tobin  
Assistant Clerk (Legislation)

DT:ap

Enclosure



CITY OF ST. CATHARINES

BY-LAW NO. 90-378

A By-law to designate the property at 134 Church Street to be of historic or architectural value or interest.

WHEREAS the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1980, Chapter 337, authorizes the council of a municipality to enact by-laws to designate a property within the municipality to be of historic or architectural value or interest;

AND WHEREAS property under the Ontario Heritage Act means real property and includes all buildings or structures thereon;

AND WHEREAS the Council of The Corporation of the City of St. Catharines has caused to be served upon the owner of the property described in Schedule "A" hereto, known as No. 134 Church Street, and upon the Ontario Heritage Foundation notice of intention to designate the property and has caused such notice of intention to be published in a newspaper having a general circulation in the municipality once for each of three consecutive weeks;

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

AND WHEREAS no notice of objection to the proposed designation has been served upon the Clerk of the City of St. Catharines.

NOW THEREFORE THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF ST. CATHARINES enacts as follows:

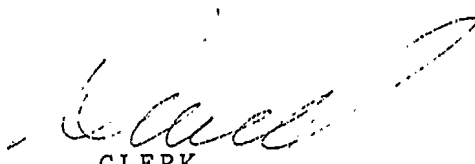
1. The property, more particularly described in Schedule "A" attached hereto, known as No. 134 Church Street, is hereby designated to be of historic or architectural value or interest.

2. The City Solicitor is hereby authorized to cause a copy of this By-law to be registered against the property described in Schedule "A" hereto in the proper Land Registry Office.

3. The City Clerk is hereby authorized to cause a copy of this By-law to be served upon the owner of the property and upon the Ontario Heritage Foundation and to cause notice of this By-law to be published in a newspaper having general circulation in the City of St. Catharines.

Read a first and second time this 17<sup>TH</sup> day of SEPTEMBER 1990.

Read a third time and passed this 17<sup>TH</sup> day of SEPTEMBER 1990.

  
CLERK

  
MAYOR.

SCHEDULE "A" TO BY-LAW NO. 90-378

Lot 182, Corporation Plan No. 2, in the City of St. Catharines, in the  
Regional Municipality of Niagara

SCHEDULE "B"

FACT SHEET

Re: Designation of Property by the  
City of St. Catharines Pursuant  
to Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act

Name: Wood - Graham - [REDACTED]  
Municipal Address: 134 Church Street  
Legal Description: Plan 2, Lot 182, City of St. Catharines  
Owner: Property owned by [REDACTED]  
Mortgagee: None  
Date of Recommendation  
by LACAC: December 13, 1989

Features to be  
Designated: Exterior of the structure only

Significant Architect-  
ural Features

This elegant home is one of the few remaining of the beautiful 19th century homes which once graced Church Street. It is a single-detached, rectangular unit with a rear wing. It is two storeys high and has three bays on both the first and second floors of the main facade. The exterior wall material is of red brick laid in a garden wall pattern. The structure has a medium gable roof on the original front part of the building. The roof is trimmed with a decorative frieze in contrasting brick. The gable ends have projecting verges with a frieze. There are three chimneys made with brick material. There is one gable-shaped dormer at the rear of the roof, with a decorated overhang.

The main windows have a flat structural opening shape with decorated lintels. Each window in the main facade has a decorated lugsill made out of concrete. The flat, off-center door has an entablature and pilasters. It also has a recessed side panel and a flush, light transom with mullions. The door itself is set back with five panels, the top one being a glazed fan.

Historical Significance: The Marcus Smith Map of 1852 shows three buildings on a lot owned by Stephen Parnall. One of these buildings is 134 Church Street. Stephen Parnall was born in 1806 and married Eliza Kip, producing 13 children. One of the children, Almeda, married James Wood on February 7, 1856. This family resided at 134 Church Street until 1906. James Wood owned several businesses during his lifetime. These included G. & J. Wood at 30 St. Paul Street and Dominion Tannery located on Thorold Road. In 1896 James' sons took over this business. Later it became known as Wood Bros. Leather on St.

Paul Street, and eventually became Rahams Luggage.

In 1906 134 Church Street was willed to James Wood's daughter, Isabella Jane Graham, wife of Captain W.D. Graham, an illustrious master mariner on the Great Lakes for many years. Isabella was born, lived and died in this home. After Captain Graham's death the home was willed to his son Fred. At Fred's wife's death the home was willed to [REDACTED], who are the current owners. Consequently, the families connected with the house have all been related. The property has never been sold on the open market.

#### REFERENCES:

- City of St. Catharines and Grantham directories for the years 1863, 1877, 1879, 1898 and 1906.
- Marcus Smith Map, dated 1852. Housed in The St. Catharines Public Library, Special Collections Room.
- Mrs. W. Willis' notes. Housed in the St. Catharines Public Library, Special Collections Room. These notes contain research which was done by Mrs. Willis at the Lincoln County Registry Office.