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# CITY OF ST. CATHARINES

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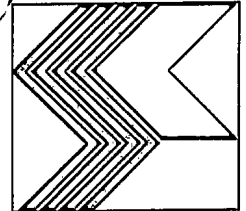
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To Whomever This May Concern,

Re: Designation under the Ontario Heritage Act  
Rear (Inner) Range Light and  
Front (Outer) Range Light  
File No. 10.64.158

Please be advised that City Council at its regular meeting of April 14, 1997 passed a by-law designating the above-noted properties under the Ontario Heritage Act.

Three (3) certified copies of By-law 97-110 and By-law 97-111 are enclosed for your records.

Please contact the writer at (905) 688-5600, extension 1710 if you have any questions.

Yours truly,

*Kevin Blozowski*

Kevin Blozowski,  
Secretary-Treasurer,  
St. Catharines Heritage Committee

c.c. A. Poulin, City Solicitor  
K. Todd, City Clerk

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## ONTARIO HERITAGE ACT

In the matter of the Ontario Heritage Act, Revised Statutes of Ontario, 1990, Chapter 0.18.

And in the matter of property known as the Front (Outer) Range Light, located at the northernmost point of the east pier in Port Dalhousie, in the City of St. Catharines in the Regional Municipality of Niagara, formerly in the Township of Grantham, in the County of Lincoln, being Part of Lots 20 and 21, Broken Front Concession in the Township of Grantham, designated as Part 13, Reference Plan 30R-6842.

### NOTICE OF PASSING OF BY-LAW NO. 97-110

Take notice that the Council of the Corporation of the City of St. Catharines on April 14, 1997, passed By-law 97-110 to designate the above property to be of historic or architectural value or interest under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act.

A summary of the reasons for designation is as follows:

The front (outer) range light was built in 1879 for the Department of Marine and Fisheries and is the original structure at this location. Together with the rear (inner) range light located approximately 1500 feet to the south, this light was part of a dual light system, guiding vessels from Lake Ontario to the narrow harbour and the Third Welland Canal. It continues to function as a light station.

The light is square in plan, tapering to an octagonal lantern and hip roof. Architectural features include a wooden bracketed lookout with low metal railing.

And in the matter of property known as the Rear (Inner) Range Light, located at the northernmost end of Lighthouse Road in Port Dalhousie Harbour, in the City of St. Catharines, in the Regional Municipality of Niagara, formerly in the Township of Grantham, in the County of Lincoln, being Part of Lots 20 and 21, Broken Front Concession in the Township of Grantham, designated as Part 11 on Reference Plan 30R-6842.

### NOTICE OF PASSING OF BY-LAW 97-111

Take notice that the Council of the Corporation of the City of St. Catharines on April 14, 1997, passed By-law 97-111 to designate the above property to be of historic or architectural value or interest under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act.

A summary of the reasons for designation is as follows:

The rear (inner) range light was built in 1898 for the Department of Marine and Fisheries. It replaced two previous lighthouse at this location that were replaced due to obsolescence (1852) and destruction by lightening (1893). Together with the front (outer) range light located approximately 1500 feet to the north, this light was part of a dual light system, guiding vessels from Lake Ontario to the narrow harbour and Third Welland Canal. It ceased to function as a light station in 1988. The light is a four (4) storey octagonal building that tapers to a thick cornice and small lookout. Two four pane double-hung windows are on the north and south facades. It is currently clad in aluminium but for many years had decorative red and white detailing and shingles.

Kenneth R. Todd  
Director of Corporate Support Services/Clerk's Division

Date at St. Catharines this                      day of                      , 1997

# CERTIFIED COPY

CITY OF ST. CATHARINES

BY-LAW NO. 97-110

A By-law to designate the Outer Range Lighthouse in Port Dalhousie Harbour to be of historic or architectural value or interest.

WHEREAS the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. 0.18, authorizes the council of a municipality to enact by-laws to designate 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 on the owner of the property described in Schedule "A" hereto, known as the front (outer) range lighthouse, and on 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;

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 municipality.

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 the front (outer) range lighthouse, is hereby designated to be of historic or architectural value or interest.

CERTIFIED under the Hand of the Clerk and the  
Seal of the  
CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF ST. CATHARINES  
to be a TRUE COPY of By-law 97-110  
of the Corporation of the City of St. Catharines

DATED the 15th day of April 1997

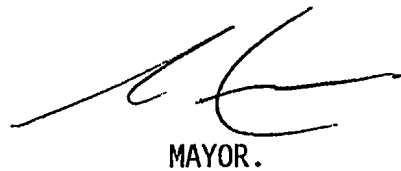
  
Deputy Clerk of the Corporation of  
the City of St. Catharines

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 time this 14<sup>TH</sup> day of APRIL 1997.  
Read a second time this 14<sup>TH</sup> day of APRIL 1997.  
Read a third time and passed this 14<sup>TH</sup> day of APRIL 1997.

  
CLERK

  
MAYOR.

SCHEDULE "A" TO BY-LAW NO. 97-110

Located at the northernmost point of the east pier in Port Dalhousie, in the City of St. Catharines, in the Regional Municipality of Niagara, formerly in the Township of Grantham, in the County of Lincoln, being Part of Lots 20 and 21, Broken Front Concession in the Township of Grantham, designated as Part 13 on Reference Plan 30R-6842.

## SCHEDULE "B" TO BY-LAW NO. 97-110

### SUMMARY

The front (outer) range light was designated because of its historical associations with the Welland Canal system and its significance as a local landmark.

### HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE

This light was erected by Richard Whiteacre of Allenwood in 1879 for the Department of Marine and Fisheries. It was constructed during Port Dalhousie's "boom time" as a service centre for the Welland Canal, reflecting a strong economic climate nationally and the opening of the Third Welland Canal.

### ARCHITECTURAL SIGNIFICANCE

The light is square in plan, tapering to an octagonal lantern and hipped roof. A wooden bracketed lookout features a low metal railing. The transom doorway on the south side of the building is sheltered by a low relief gabled roof or pediment. A set of wooden steps leads to the doorway. The exterior is clad in aluminium siding and is white with green upper and lower sections, as required by Coast Guard regulations. The light is 31 feet high and the green light can be seen on the azimuth of the range. The wide frieze and bracketed gallery are interesting architectural features. At the same time that aluminium cladding was added, all windows had the pediments removed and were covered over.

### CONTEXTUAL SIGNIFICANCE

The front (outer) range light is the original structure at this location, although the foundation, which was originally on a wooden cribwork pad has been replaced by concrete and expanded over time in order to reduce the effects of inclement weather on the structure. The light's remote location, together with its water and ice swept concrete pier, are reminders of the harshness of maritime life on the Great Lakes.

The light is an important symbolic and visual landmark in Port Dalhousie and the greater area. Together with the rear (inner) range light located approximately 1500 feet to the south, this light was part of a dual light system, guiding vessels from Lake Ontario to the narrow harbour and Third Welland Canal. It continues to function as a light station under the stewardship of the Canadian Coast Guard.