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# TOWNSHIP OF EAST ZORRA-TAVISTOCK

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Jeff Carswell

November 28, 1991

Ontario Heritage Foundation  
77 Bloor Street West, 2nd Floor  
Toronto, Ontario  
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Dear Sir/Madam:

At their meeting on November 22, 1991 Council passed by-law #73-91 to designate 52 Woodstock Street South as a property of architectural and historical value. A copy of the by-law and the reasons for the designation are enclosed for your information.

If you have any questions regarding the designation please contact the undersigned.

Yours truly,

Jeff Carswell AMCT(A)  
Deputy Clerk-Treasurer

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THE CORPORATION OF THE  
TOWNSHIP OF EAST ZORRA-TAVISTOCK  
COUNTY OF OXFORD  
BY-LAW # 73 -91

BEING a by-law to designate the property known municipally as 52 Woodstock Street South as being of architectural and historical value.

WHEREAS Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act R.S.O. 1980 authorizes the Council of a municipality to enact by-laws to designate real property, including all buildings and structures thereon, to be of architectural or historic value or interest; and

WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the Township of East Zorra-Tavistock has caused to be served on the owners of the lands and premises known as the Glass Swan at 52 Woodstock Street South and upon the Ontario Heritage Foundation, notice of intention to designate the aforesaid real property and has caused such notice of intention to be published in the same newspaper having general circulation in the municipality for each of three consecutive weeks; and

WHEREAS no notice of objection to the proposed designation has been served on the Clerk of the municipality;


THEREFORE the Council of the Corporation of the Township of East Zorra-Tavistock enacts as follows:

1. There is designated as being of architectural and historical value or interest the real property known as The Glass Swan at 52 Woodstock Street South, more particularly described in schedule 'A' attached hereto.
2. The municipal solicitor is hereby authorized to cause a copy of this by-law and a copy of the reasons for designation adopted by resolution #7 from the Council meeting of October 2nd, 1991 to be registered in the proper land registry office.
3. The Clerk is hereby authorized to cause a copy of this by-law to be served on the owner of the aforesaid property and on the Ontario Heritage Foundation and to cause notice of the passing of this by-law to be published in the same newspaper having general circulation in the municipality once for each of three consecutive weeks.

Read a first, second and third time, and passed, this 20th day of November, 1991.

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Nell Hostetler, Mayor

  
John V. Killing, C.A.O.

SCHEDULE "A" TO BY-LAW # 73-91

Property Location:

52 Woodstock Street South (The Glass Swan)  
Roll Number 32 38 020 010 15300 0000

Legal Description:

PLAN 307 S PT LOT 4  
RP 41R3012 PART 1

TOWNSHIP OF EAST ZORRA-TAVISTOCK, VILLAGE OF TAVISTOCK  
52 WOODSTOCK STREET (currently THE GLASS SWAN)

REASONS FOR DESIGNATION:

The neo-classical style of the building at 52 Woodstock Street in Tavistock has existed since 1892 when Dr. Otto Neimeier bricked over two adjoining structures to create the building as it currently exists. Before being bricked, one structure, being the main portion of the house, was of frame construction with clapboard siding (German c. 1855). The adjoining structure to the east was a board and baton 1 1/2 storey building (English c. 1870).

The designation includes the entire exterior of the building covered in red brick, the italianate gables and brackets, stained glass windows, the exterior windows with wooden frames and sills and the wooden panel storm windows, the rounded doorway entrance to the southwest, the slate roof and the gothic porch with tin roof.

As well as being architecturally significant, this structure is one of the oldest remaining structures in Tavistock. It was the location of Tavistock's first general merchant and several other merchants before being bought and reconstructed by Dr. Neimeier. After Dr. Neimeier, the house was owned by other prominent Tavistock doctors as well as a veterinarian before being sold to the Corp family which owned it until 1986.