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THE CORPORATION
OF THE

# TOWN OF HALDIMAND



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February 10th, 2000

Ontario Heritage Foundation 10 Adelaide Street East, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Toronto, Ontario M5C 1J3

Dear Sir/Madam:

Please find enclosed a copy of Town of Haldimand By-law No. 1628/00 which designates the Hoover Log House as being of architectural and historical value or interest under the Ontario Heritage Act, and By-law No. 1627/00 which designates the S.S.#9 Seneca, Empire School as being of historical value or interest under the Ontario Heritage Act.

Yours truly

(Mrs.) Jane Van Dalen,

Deputy Clerk

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# THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF HALDIMAND

BY-LAW # 1628 /00

Being a By-law to designate the property known as the Hoover Log House, situated in the former Township of Rainham as being of architectural and historical value or interest.

WHEREAS <u>The Ontario Heritage Act</u>, R.S.O., 1990, Chapter 0.18, 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 historical value or interest; and,

WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Haldimand has caused to be served on the owners of the lands and premises known as the Hoover Log House, situated on Part of Lot 2, Concession 4, known municipally as 95 Concession 4 Road, in the former Township of Rainham, now in the Town of Haldimand, Regional Municipality of Haldimand-Norfolk, and upon The Ontario Heritage Foundation, notice of intention to designate the aforesaid property for architectural and historical value or interest and has caused such notice of intention to be published in a newspaper having general circulation in the municipality for one week; and

WHEREAS no notice of objection to the proposed designation has been served on the Clerk of this municipality within the time prescribed by the said statute;

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

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Haldimand enacts as follows:

- 1. That the real property known as the Hoover Log House, situated on Part Lot 2, Concession 4, known municipally as 95 Concession 4 Road, in the former Township of Rainham, now in the Town of Haldimand, Regional Municipality of Haldimand-Norfolk, be designated as being of architectural and historical value or interest, more particularly described in Schedule "A" attached hereto and forming part of this by-law.
- 2. That a copy of this by-law will be registered in the property land registry office against the property described in Schedule "B" attached hereto and forming part of this by-law.

3. That 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 municipality for one week.

READ a first and second time this 7th day of February, 2000.

READ a third time and finally passed this 7th day of February, 2000.

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#### SCHEDULE "A"

### REASONS FOR DESIGNATION

#### Architectural:

# Architectural Items Designated

The entire structure, save and except the cement platform.

This 27' x 16 ½' building has been carefully reconstructed from the original hewn white oak logs reassembled in the order in which they were assembled in the original Hoover House. The reconstruction work reflects a great deal of research on log houses. The roof of the reconstructed house is of traditional cedar shakes. The half vee notches on the squared logs are fitted together just as they were in the 1793 house. The house is fitted with three pairs of double-hung sash in the nine-over-nine pattern, one of which was salvaged from the original house while the other two pairs were made to duplicate the originals. Other period sash include a double-hung six-over-six window and a sixteen-light sash taken from the original house. The flooring on the main and loft floors was salvaged from the original house. The house has its own lot on the Fletcher property.

#### Historical:

This is one of the oldest homes in Haldimand. It was built by the family of Daniel Hoover in 1793. According to the Haldimand Historical Atlas, "The first white inhabitants of Rainham were Jacob Hoover, with his sons Abraham, David, Benjamin and Daniel, who came from Pennsylvania in 1791, and ...purchased from the Government about 2,500 acres of land." The Atlas says they were "Swiss or of Swiss descent." It describes them as "a thrifty and industrious family (who) soon effected large clearings, and became wealthy, as they were the first who had any surplus produce to sell to the settlers who took up land a few years after their own farms began to produce." The family were Mennonites, and it is believed that because they were neutral during the War of 1812, both American and British soldiers took refuge in the Hoover House. There is a family tradition that William Lyon Mackenzie stayed at the house while serving as Haldimand's Member of the Legislative Assembly. The Hoover Log House is an artifact of the earliest white settlement in the area. It is a genuine pioneer log house.

## SCHEDULE "B"

ALL AND SINGULAR that certain parcel or tract of land and premises situate, lying and being composed of Part of Lot 2, Concession 4, now in the Town of Haldimand, Regional Municipality of Haldimand-Norfolk, in the geographic Township of Rainham, County of Haldimand, designated as Part 1 on Reference Plan 18R-1747, known municipally as 95 Concession 4 Road;

AND BEING part of the lands described in Instrument No. 8825.