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THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF WOODSTOCK

By-law Number 5257-76

A by-law to designate the Woodstock Public Library building at 449 Hunter Street of architectural value.

WHEREAS, The Ontario Heritage Act, 1974, authorizes the Council of a Municipality to enact by-laws to designate real property, including all the buildings and structures thereon, to be of historic or architectural value or interest; and

WHEREAS, the Council of The Corporation of the City of Woodstock has caused to be served upon the owner of the lands and premises known as the Woodstock Public Library at 449 Hunter Street and upon the Ontario Heritage Foundation notice of intention to so designate the aforesaid real property and has caused 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 in Schedule "B" hereto; and

WHEREAS, no notice of objection to the said proposed designation has been served upon the Clerk of the Municipality;

THEREFORE, the Council of The Corporation of the City of Woodstock enacts as follows:

- 1. There is designated as being of architectural value or interest the real property more particularly described in Schedule "A" hereto, known as the Woodstock Public Library building at 449 Hunter Street.
- 2. That a copy of this by-law shall be registered against the property described in Schedule "A" hereto in the proper land registry office.
- That the Clerk is hereby authorized to cause a copy of this by-law to be served upon the owner of the aforesaid 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 Woodstock.

READ a first and second time this 19th day of August, 1976.

READ a third time and finally passed this 2nd day of September, 1976.

Mayor

D/Clerk

SCHEDULE "A"

ALL AND SINGULAR that certain parcel or tract of land and premises situate, lying and being in the City of Woodstock, in the County of Oxford and Province of Ontario being composed of part of lot number 6 on the East side of Graham Street, Plan 10, more particularly described as follows:

COMMENCING at the south-west angle of the said lot;

THENCE Northerly along the western boundary of the said lot 100.7 feet;

THENCE Easterly parallel with Hunter Street 130 feet;

THENCE Southerly parallel with Graham Street 100.7 feet more or less to Hunter Street;

THENCE Westerly along the southern boundary of said lot, 130 feet more or less to the point of commencement.

SCHEDULE "B"

The Library, first known as the Woodstock Reading Society, was formed in 1835 by Rev. William Bettridge, W. H. Landon, Dr. L. H. Perry, Mr. Nellis and others. For many years the library was housed in various locations until the present building was made possible in 1909 through Andrew Carnegie grants. The designer and builder was Howard Bovell, nephew of James Hay Jr., of Eastdene, Mayor in 1893-94. This was fortunate as the building is much more architecturally attractive than other Carnegie libraries in Ontario. The Art Gallery addition was the Centennial project of the City of Woodstock.