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File No. L.5.2.7.

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REGISTERED MAIL

The Ontario Heritage Trust
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Dear Sir/Madam:

RE: DESIGNATION OF (1) THE LOUIS JOLIET PLAQUE AT THE ENTRANCE TO THE ELECTRICAL GENERATING STATION ON HURON STREET, (2) THE VOYAGEURS PLAQUE ON THE WEST SIDE OF HURON STREET AT QUEEN, (3) RED RIVER EXPEDITION PLAQUE AT THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF QUEEN STREET WEST AND HURON STREET AND (4) THE GREAT WAR OF 1914-1918 VETERAN'S WAR MEMORIAL MONUMENT AND PLAQUE AT THE TOP OF GORE STREET AT WELLINGTON STREET

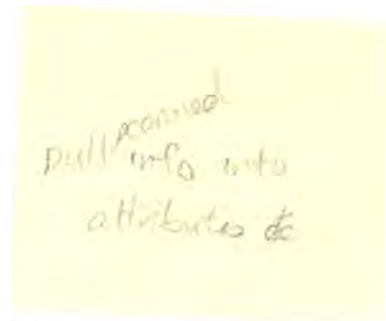
On February 25th, 2008 City Council passed By-law 2008-35 to designate the above plaques and monuments as being of architectural or historic value or interest in the City of Sault Ste. Marie. The By-law was registered on March 12, 2008 as instrument number AL31921.

All matters to effect the designation under the Ontario Heritage Act have now been completed. Therefore, pursuant to Section 29 of the Act I am enclosing a certified registered copy of the By-law.

Yours truly,

Lorie Bottos
L.A. Bottos
City Solicitor

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Enclosure



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THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF SAULT STE. MARIE

BY-LAW NO. 2008-35

HISTORIC SITES: (L.5.2.7.) A by-law to designate plaques and monuments as being of architectural or historic value or interest:

- ✓ 1. Louis Joliet located on a pedestal outside the entrance to the electrical generating station on Huron Street;
- ✓ 2. The Voyageurs located on a stone cairn in front of the Sault Ste. Marie Transit building on the west side of Huron Street;
3. Red River Expedition located on a stone cairn at the southeast corner of Queen Street West and Huron Street;
4. The Great War of 1914-1918 Veteran's War Memorial located at the top of Gore Street at Wellington Street.

WHEREAS Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. O. 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 historic value or interest; and

WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the City of Sault Ste. Marie has caused to be served on the owners of the lands and upon The Ontario Heritage Trust, notice of intention to so designate the plaques and monuments and has caused such notice of intention to be published in the same newspaper having general circulation in the municipality for each of two consecutive weeks; and

WHEREAS no objections to the proposed designations have been served on the Clerk of the municipality;

THEREFORE the Council of the Corporation of the City of Sault Ste. Marie, pursuant to the Ontario Heritage Act ENACTS as follows:

1. **PROPERTIES DESIGNATED**

There is designated as being of architectural or historic value or interest, the plaques and monuments described above.

2. **HERITAGE DESIGNATION REPORT**

The Heritage Designation Report of the Sault Ste. Marie Municipal Heritage Committee dated November 13, 2007 and recommending that the plaques and monuments be designated of significant cultural heritage value and interest pursuant to Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act is attached as Schedule "A" to this by-law.

3. **EFFECTIVE DATE**

This by-law takes effect on the date of its final passing.

READ THREE TIMES and **PASSED** in Open Council this 25th day of February, 2008.

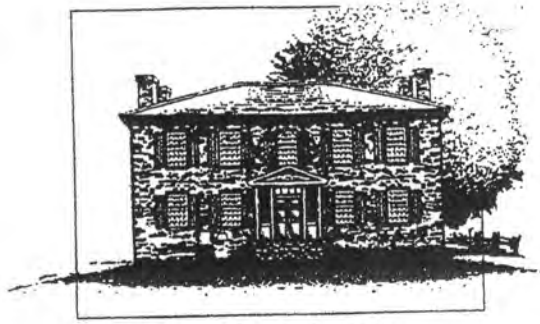

JOHN ROWSWELL - MAYOR


DONNA P. IRVING - CITYCLERK

I, Donna P. Irving, City Clerk of The Corporation of the City of Sault Ste. Marie, certify the foregoing to be a true and correct copy of the original document of which it purports to be a copy.

DATED at Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario, this

26th day of March, 2008



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*Sault Ste. Marie
Municipal Heritage Committee*

Mayor John Rowswell
and Members of City Council

New Ontario Soldiers' Reunion and Discovery Week Monuments and Plaques

Background

In 1923, the New Ontario Soldiers' Reunion and Discovery Week celebrations which took place between August 4th and 8th was a significant event in the history of Sault Ste. Marie. To quote Dr. Robert Ewing: "Its purpose was to commemorate the contribution of soldiers from "New Ontario", as Northern Ontario was known in World War I, and to mark the City's part in the history of Canada. Inspired by James Curran, the Editor of the Sault Star, the event brought back to the Sault over 1,000 men from the District of Algoma who had served in the war, as well as a large number of visitors. Two monuments and eleven "tablets" or plaques were put up under the auspices of the Sault Historical Society, the New Ontario War Memorial was unveiled, the cornerstone of the war memorial on the Court House grounds was laid, and the Historic Sites and Monuments Board of Canada erected a plaque at the site of the first canal in Sault Ste. Marie. Collectively, these reflect significant events in the discovery and early history of Sault Ste. Marie ". The significance of the event and the monuments and plaques erected during that week is outlined in the attached report authorized by Dr. Ewing.

To date, some of these monuments and plaques have been designated under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act, while others remain undesignated for various reasons. This report to you and the subsequent action which is requested, is a measure to further protect those important reminders of our history. The following is a summary of the status of the various monuments and plaques.

A. Designated Monuments and Plaques

Monuments and plaques currently designated under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act include:

1. Hudson's Bay Company plaque located on the St. Marys Paper Company head office at 75 Huron Street.
2. North West Company plaque located on the St. Marys Paper Company head office at 75 Huron Street.
3. French Explorers plaque on a stone cairn located at the site of the first canal on Huron Street.
4. Sault Ste. Marie Cenotaph located on the lawn of the Sault Ste. Marie Courthouse on Queen Street.

5. The Capture of Michilimackinac plaque located on the Old Post Office building (now Sault Ste. Marie Museum) at the northwest corner of Queen Street East and East Street.
6. The Early Missionaries – Jesuit Memorial monument located at the site of Precious Blood Cathedral on Queen Street East.

B. Free standing monuments and plaques on private and public property and not designated under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act

The Sault Ste. Marie Municipal Heritage Committee proposes that the following monuments and plaques be designated under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act. Under the Act, private property owners are given 30 days notice to file an objection to the designation once a motion is passed by City Council.

- ✓ 1. Louis Joliet plaque erected on a pedestal located outside the entrance to the electrical generating station on Huron Street on private property owned by the Brookfield Power Corporation.
- ✓ 2. The Voyageurs plaque on a stone cairn located on public property in front of the Sault Ste. Marie Transit building on the west side of Huron Street.
- ✓ 3. Red River Expedition plaque on a stone cairn on public property located at the southeast corner of Queen Street West and Huron Street.
4. The Great War of 1914 - 1918 Veteran's War Memorial monument and plaque located on public property at the top of Gore Street at Wellington Street.

C. Plaques on private buildings not designated under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act

The Sault Ste. Marie Municipal Heritage Committee proposes that the following plaques be registered according to Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act as those of cultural heritage value or interest under subsection 27(1.2). If a property is included under subsection 27(1.2) the owner of the property shall not demolish or remove a building on the property unless the owner gives Council 60 days notice in writing. Such notice would allow the City and the S.S.M. Municipal Heritage Committee an opportunity to meet with the owner of the property to discuss the heritage value of the plaque.

1. Simon Francis Daumont located on a building at the northwest corner of Queen Street West and Gore Street.
2. Champlain's Map located on the Royal Trust building at the northwest corner of Queen Street East and Elgin Street.
3. Sault du Gaston located on the former Scotiabank building on the northeast corner of Queen Street and Spring Street.
4. Jean Nicolet located on the Bank of Commerce building at the northwest corner of Queen Street East and Brock Street.
5. Ojibways of Pawating located on the Royal Bank building at the northeast corner of Queen Street East and Brock Street.

At their May 2, 2007 meeting the members of the Sault Ste. Marie Municipal Heritage Committee approved the following resolution:

Moved by: A. McGregor
Seconded by: K. Marshall

"Resolved that the following process be implemented for the preservation of the Soldiers Reunion Plaques.

Part I Designate free standing plaques not on any designated properties.

Part II List those of Cultural interest that are on buildings that are not designated.

Part III Those already designated as part of the designated buildings."

CARRIED

Recommendation

The Sault Ste. Marie Municipal Heritage Committee requests that City Council approve:

1. The designation of the free standing monuments and plaques on private and public property under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act as listed above in item B; and
2. The registration of property and buildings bearing plaques which are considered of cultural heritage value or interest to the City of Sault Ste. Marie as listed above in item C.

Respectfully submitted for your consideration,

R. C. K.


Roger Kinghorn, Chairperson
Sault Ste. Marie Municipal Heritage Committee

http://www.fairandhonest.com/proposed_designation_of_soldiers_unions_report_to_council

cc: L. Bottos, City Solicitor
J. Dolcetti, Commissioner of Engineering and Planning
N. Apostle, Commissioner Community Services

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 Joseph M. Fratesi
 Chief Administrative Officer

HERITAGE DESIGNATION REPORT ON THE NEW ONTARIO SOLDIERS' REUNION AND DISCOVERY WEEK MONUMENTS AND PLAQUES.

Location:

- Jesuit Missionary Memorial - in front of Precious Blood Cathedral, Queen Street East
- Capture of Michilimackinac, 1812 - Sault Ste. Marie Museum (the Post Office in 1923), Queen Street East and East Street
- Ojibways of Pawating - at the Royal Bank, Queen Street East and Brock Street
- Jean Nicolet, Explorer, 1634 - at the Bank of Commerce, Queen Street East (at Brock Street)
- Sault Du Gaston, 1622 - Scotia Bank building (Imperial Bank), Queen Street East and Spring Street
- Champlain's Map, 1632 - Cochrane Building, Queen Street East and Elgin Street
- Simon Francis Daumont, Sieur St. Lussou, 1671 - building at west corner of Queen Street East and Gore Street
- To the Voyageurs - cairn, west side Huron Street, south of Queen Street West
- Red River Expedition, 1870 - cairn, southeast corner Huron and Queen Street West
- North West Company, 1783 - St. Marys Paper Co. office building, Huron Street
- Hudson's Bay Company, 1821 - St. Marys Paper Co. office building, Huron Street
- Map of Louis Joliet, 1674 - F.H. Clergue Generating Station
- Brule Memorial, 1622 - Sault Locks
- First Sault Ste. Marie Canal - cairn, St. Marys Paper Co. office building
- Veterans' War Memorial - Gore and Wellington Streets

Reason for Designation:

These plaques and monuments were erected during the Soldiers' Reunion and Discovery Week held in Sault Ste. Marie between August 4 and 8, 1923. Its purpose was to commemorate the contribution of soldiers from "New Ontario" as Northern Ontario was known, in World War I and to mark the city's part in the history of Canada. Inspired by James Curran, the editor of the Sault Star, the event brought back to the Sault over 1,000 men from the District of Algoma who had served in the war, as well as a large number of visitors. Two monuments and eleven 'tablets' or plaques were put up under the auspices of the Sault Historical Society, the New Ontario War Memorial was unveiled, the cornerstone

of the war memorial on the Court House grounds was laid and the Historic Sites and Monuments Board of Canada erected a plaque at the site of the first canal in Sault Ste. Marie. Collectively, these reflect significant events in the discovery and early history of Sault Ste. Marie.

Historical Value:

The plaques and monuments commemorate a series of historical events ranging from the discovery of Sault Ste. Marie by Brule in 1622 to the Red River Expedition in 1870. As such, they form a reminder to citizens of the important role played by the area in the early history of Canada and are a reflection of growing pride in the city and nation epitomised by the Soldiers' Reunion and Discovery Week celebrations.

Architectural Value: Though individually interesting and attractive, the plaques and monuments do not possess particular architectural significance. Their value lies in the context within which they were created and promoted as part of a public celebration.

Contextual Value:

It was said that the participation of Canada in the First World War and the contributions of its military led to an increase in national pride and a renewed interest in, and discovery of, the country's early history.

The Reunion and Discovery Week celebrations were clearly intended to boost civic pride and to promote the city in the eyes of a wider region, as well as to recognise the sacrifices of the soldiers of "New Ontario". As J.W. Curran commented in the Sault Star on August 6,

"Discovery Week is celebrating much beside Brule. Perhaps the discovery that the Sault is something far better than a mere community of 22,000 is not its least interesting and important development."

And again,

"Here we will build a noble city of which it will be a badge of honor to be a citizen We shall also try and build a city that in the spirit of its people shall be a model to all communities."

Sault Ste. Marie, according to contemporary accounts, supported the events with enthusiasm. For example, it was reported in the Sault Star that the 200 soldiers and the Sudbury Regimental Band who arrived on the noon train on August 4

were met by 200 cars and 2,000 citizens and that, in all, 10,000 visitors came to the city by train, boat or car, for Discovery Week. Visitors were accommodated in private homes, commercial establishments, schools and in tent cities set up at Bellevue Park and the Exhibition Grounds. One honoured guest, making a return to the city whose industrial base he founded, was Francis H. Clergue, praised in the Star as having the "genius for finance and organization that turned a despairing little community into a prosperous city." Funds to support the events were raised by a variety of means, including the sale of Booster Club memberships, priced at between \$1 and \$5, which included a draw for a Maxwell, with a value of \$1,650. The cost of the tablets was donated by the Hudson's Bay Company, the Sir Garnet Wolseley Chapter of the IODE, the Lake Superior Paper Co. (two tablets), the Imperial Bank of Canada (two tablets), the Canadian Bank of Commerce, Cochrane-Dunlop Hardware, the Great Lakes Power Co., and Dr. W.A. Adams. The \$2,000 cost of the monument to the early missionaries was provided by the Roman Catholic people of the Sault. With an eye to the bottom line, the Sault Star estimated the Discovery receipts to be \$25,000 as against costs of \$18,000!

The programme for Discovery Week was interesting and varied and reflected the tenor of the times.

Sunday, August 5: Memorial Sunday:

Unveiling of the New Ontario War Memorial at the corner of Gore and Wellington Streets, laying of the cornerstone of the War Memorial at the Court House grounds and the unveiling of the monument to the Jesuit missionaries at Sacred Heart Church (now named Precious Blood Cathedral) on Queen Street were highlights of this day. It was estimated that 20,000 people saw 3,500 walk in the Memorial parade.

Monday, August 6: Amiens Day

Amiens day was marked by "a grand military spectacle". It was advertised as "A Real Attack on the Western Front" and took place at the Fair Grounds at 7.30 pm. A replica of the Snargate trench on the Vimy Ridge sector had been constructed and spectators were promised that a battalion of overseas veterans would attack the 'enemy' entrenchments, complete with rifle and machine gun fire, shrapnel, high explosives and bayonet assaults. Even a tank was to make an appearance. "War is Hell" claimed the advertisements, "Come and see a corner of it."

Tuesday, August 7: Discovery and American Day

On this day a pageant depicting the arrival of Brule was enacted at the Canal grounds and the memorial to Brule and Grenoble and the cairn at the North West Company lock were unveiled. There were two performances of 'Hiawatha' by the Ojibway Indians from Garden River.

Wednesday, August 8: Hiawatha Day

Discovery Week concluded with 'The Pilgrimage of the Tablets' when the eleven historical plaques were unveiled. There were two further performances of 'Hiawatha'

There were concerts, sports events and parades to round out the programme; street dancing took place every night (except Sunday)

In reviewing the programme for the event, Mayor Dawson wrote in an editorial on August 4:

"Sault Ste. Marie is glad to welcome today the returned soldiers who have gathered here for the New Ontario Reunion and also the other visitors who are here for Discovery Week.

The Sault feels that it has every reason to be proud of the fact that its recorded history dates further back than that of any other community in the province of Ontario. 300 years is a short period in the history of the world but it is a long period in the history of North America.

The Sault's strategic position as a centre of commerce has been maintained ever since its discovery in 1622 by Brule. Here was the headquarters for many years, of the coureurs de bois and the adventurous traders of the Indians. Here were the posts in the later 18th Century and the early 19th Century of the North West Company and the Hudson's Bay Company. Today this is the home of the immense steel and paper industry and with the development of the natural resources of the Algoma district, its importance has been increased.

We feel we are welcoming you to no mean city and want you to enjoy its advantages to the full. The latch string is out. The city is yours."

Summary:

The monuments and plaques:

- are reminders of the long history of the Sault Ste. Marie and of a series of significant events,
- reflect the growth of civic pride and consciousness as the city emerged

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from the First World War and celebrated the Soldiers' Reunion and
Discovery Week.

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On February 25, 2008 City Council passed By-law 2008-35 designating plaques and monuments as being of architectural or historic value or interest. Notice of the passing of the by-law will be published in the local newspaper for three consecutive weeks. The dates for publication are March 8th, 15th and 22nd. The by-law will be registered on title to the property and a copy will be forwarded to you.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours truly,


Lorie A. Bottos
City Solicitor

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c.c. Joe Cain, Manager of Recreation & Culture

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