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CITY OF WELLAND
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MUNICIPAL BUILDING
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December 18th, 1991

Dear Sirs:

RE: Designation Under Part IV of the Ontario
Heritage Act, Morwood House,
28 - 30 Young Street, Welland, Ontario.

In accordance with the requirements of the Ontario Heritage Act, we are forwarding a certified copy of By-law No. 9775 for your records. By-law No. 9775, being a By-law to designate the above-referenced property as being of architectural and historical value or interest, was passed by City Council at its meeting of December 17th, 1991. The reasons for the designation are attached to the By-law.

Yours very truly,

Craig A. Stirtzinger
for CRAIG A. STIRTZINGER,
City Clerk.

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Ontario Heritage Foundation,
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77 Bloor Street West,
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THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF WELLAND

BY-LAW NUMBER 9775

A BY-LAW TO DESIGNATE 28-30 YOUNG STREET
IN THE CITY OF WELLAND, KNOWN AS THE
MORWOOD HOUSE, OF HISTORIC OR
ARCHITECTURAL VALUE OR INTEREST

WHEREAS the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1980, chapter 337, 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 Welland has caused to be served upon the owner of the lands and premises municipally known as 28-30 Young Street, commonly known as The Morwood House, and upon the Ontario Heritage Foundation, Notice of Intention to so designate the aforesaid real property and has caused such Notice of Intention to be published in a newspaper, having general circulation in the municipality, once a week for each of three consecutive weeks;

AND WHEREAS no Notice of Objection to the proposed designation was served upon the Clerk of the City of Welland.

NOW THEREFORE THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF WELLAND ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

1. That the real property, more particularly described in Schedule "A" attached hereto and forming part of this By-law, known as The Morwood House at 28-30 Young Street in the City of Welland, be designated as being of historic or architectural value or interest.
2. The City Solicitor is hereby authorized to cause a copy of this By-law to be registered against the property described in said Schedule "A" attached 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 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 Welland.

CERTIFIED A TRUE COPY

ACTING DEPUTY James H. Hutton
Clerk, City of Welland

Date DEC 18 1991

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READ A FIRST, SECOND AND THIRD TIME AND PASSED BY COUNCIL

THIS 17th DAY OF DECEMBER 1991.



MAYOR


CLERK

SCHEDULE "A"

TO

CITY OF WELLAND BY-LAW 9775

PASSED THE 17th DAY OF DECEMBER 1991.

 MAYOR

 CLERK

FIRSTLY:

ALL AND SINGULAR that certain parcel or tract of land and premises, situate, lying and being in the City of Welland, in the County of Welland and being composed of part of Lot 4, and part of lot 5 on the north side of Young Street accordingly to Fitch and Griffith plan for the said City of Welland, and more particularly described as follows:

COMMENCING at a point in the northerly limit of Young Street distant 40 feet easterly from the south west angle of said lot 4;

THENCE northerly and parallel to the westerly limit of said lot 4; a distance of 132.1 feet to a point in the northerly limit of said lot 4, distant 40 feet westerly from the north westerly angle thereof;

THENCE easterly along the northerly limits of said lots 4 and 5 a distance of 45.33 feet more or less to a point where the production northerly of the centre line of the wall between houses commonly known as number 28 and number 30 Young Street would intersect said northerly limit of said lot 4;

THENCE southerly along said production and said centre line and the southerly production thereof to the north limit of Young Street 132.1 feet more or less;

THENCE westerly 45.33 feet more or less to the place of beginning.

SECONDLY:

ALL AND SINGULAR that certain parcel or tract of land and premises, situate, lying and being in the City of Welland in the County of Welland and being composed of Part of Lot 5 on the north side of Young Street according to the Fitch and Griffith Plan for the said City of Welland and being more particularly described as follows:

COMMENCING at a point in the northerly limit of Young Street distant therein 25.33 feet more or less easterly from the south westerly angle of said Lot where the production southerly of the Centre Line of the wall between houses commonly known as Number 28 and Number 30 Young Street intersect the said northerly limit of Young Street;

THENCE northerly along said southerly production and said Centre Line and the northerly production of said Centre Line to the northerly limit of said Lot to a point distant 25.33 feet more or less easterly from the north westerly angle thereof;

THENCE easterly along the northerly limit of said lot a distance of 32.75 feet to a point;

THENCE southerly parallel to the westerly limit of said lot 132.1 feet to the northerly limit of Young Street;

THENCE westerly along the northerly limit of Young Street 32.75 feet to the place of beginning.

REASONS FOR DESIGNATION
OF THE MORWOOD HOUSE
28-30 YOUNG STREET, WELLAND
PURSUANT TO THE
ONTARIO HERITAGE ACT, R.S.O. 1980, CHAPTER 337
SECTION 29 (6)(A)(i)

Richard Morwood, along with his brother James, came to Welland in 1856 from New York State. Richard Morwood went into partnership with an established merchant, James McCoppen, and subsequently with his brother-in-law Hugh A. Rose. In 1864, Mr. Rose sold his business interest to Morwood.

The R. Morwood and Co. remained in the Morwood family until the store, located on West Main Street, was destroyed by fire in the early 1970's. Much of the store's prosperity came from the shipping traffic on the canal. After Richard Morwood's death in 1893, his sons took over the family business.

Richard Morwood was active in politics, being a Councillor for nine years for the Village of Welland and three years for the Town of Welland, Reeve of the Village in 1863 and was elected Mayor of the Town of Welland four times. He was an active member of the Methodist Church and donated the site for what is now Central United Church. Mr. Morwood also donated the land for the former Central Public School. The present site of the Welland Farmer's Market was once part of the Morwood property.

The Morwood House was built over a number of years, with the east wing built, at the latest, in 1864. It would appear that the south facade of the more plain east wing was added to at the time of the construction of the west wing to present a more unified face to the street. The west wing, dated to the late 1860's, is executed in a picturesque variant of the Italianate style. Its typically Italianate characteristics include the brackets under broadly projecting eaves, low pitched front and rear gables, shallowly arched windows and semi-elliptical, double front door with heavy moulding and frosted or etched glass panels. Gothic elements can be seen in the two storey west bay with its steeply pitched Gothic gable and the profusion of carved decoration on this bay and above the windows on all three facades. The unusual window arrangement of large central panes flanked by smaller side panes is drawn from the Classic Revival styles of the early part of the century. The front porch, which wraps around the west wing, visually binds together the front facades of both wings. Its Queen Anne "bandshell" style marks it as being at least twenty years younger than the rest of the house. The facades of the building are of clapboard and shiplap siding. The interior woodwork of the original west wing, including the hardwood flooring, paint-grained woodwork, front door and circular staircase are also of significance.