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By-law No. 86-14

Passed January 27, 1986

CORPORATION OF THE

CITY OF NIAGARA FALLS

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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 Niagara Falls has caused to be served upon the owner of the lands and premises municipally known as 5686 Peer Street, commonly known as the British Methodist Episcopal Church, 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 for each of 3 consecutive weeks;

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

AND WHEREAS no Notice of Objection to the proposed designation has been served upon the Clerk of the municipality.

NOW THEREFORE THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF NIAGARA FALLS ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

- 1. That the real property more particularly described in Schedule "A" hereto, known as the British Methodist Episcopal Church at 5686 Peer Street, be designated as being of 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 Schedule "A" 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 Niagara Falls.

Passed this

27th

. day of

January

, 1986.

AUL J. BRENNAN, CITY CLERK

WILLIAM S. SMEATON, MAYOR

First Reading: Second Reading: Third Reading: January 27, 1986 January 27, 1986

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SCHEDULE "A" TO CITY OF NIAGARA FALLS

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FIRSTLY:

ALL AND SINGULAR those certain parcels or tracts of land and premises situate, lying and being in the City of Niagara Falls, in the Regional Municipality of Niagara (formerly in the Village of Niagara Falls in the County of Welland) and being composed of all those parts of Lots Nos. 3, 4 and 5 on the south side of Peer Street, according to Registered Plan No. 653 for the said former Village of Niagara Falls, and more particularly described as follows:

COMMENCING at the northeast corner of said Lot No. 4;

THENCE Westerly along the north boundaries of Lots 4 and 5, 67 feet more or less to a point;

THENCE southwesterly parallel with the easterly boundary of said Lot No. 5, 114 feet to a point;

THENCE easterly parallel with the south boundary of Peer Street, 92 feet more or less to the westerly boundary of Grey Avenue;

THENCE northerly along the westerly boundary of Grey Avenue to a point, being the northeasterly corner of said Lot No. 3;

THENCE westerly along the north boundary of said Lot 3, to the point of commencement.

Land as described in Instrument No. 17395 (1921)

SECONDLY:

ALL AND SINGULAR that certain parcel or tract of land and premises situate, lying and being in the City of Niagara Falls, in the Regional Municipality of Niagara (formerly in the Village of Niagara Falls in the County of Welland) and being composed of part of the westerly part of Lot No. 3 on the south side of Peer Street according to Registered Plan No. 219 for the former Village of Niagara Falls, now Plan No. 267, and described as follows:

COMMENCING at the angle formed by the west side of Grey Street intersecting the south side of Peer Street;

THENCE westerly along the south side of Peer Street 25 feet;

THENCE southerly parallel to the west side of Grey Street, 42 feet;

THENCE easterly parallel to the south side of Peer Street 25 feet to Grey Street;

THENCE northerly along the west side of Grey Street 42 feet to the place of

beginning.

Land as described in Instrument No. 819 registered on December 4, 1893.

SCHEDULE "B"

to

CITY OF NIAGARA FALLS

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REASONS FOR DESIGNATION OF THE BRITISH METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH

The British Methodist Episcopal Church, located at the south-west corner of Peer Street and Grey Avenue was built in approximately 1836 and was originally located at the Falls View area. In 1856, the Church was relocated to its present site which was a gift from the founder, Oliver Parnell. Many of the members of the original Church congregation were American Negroes who made their way north and crossed to freedom in Canada during the American Civil War of 1861-1865.

The Church is very basic in design and in style is close to Upper Canada Georgian. It is well built and the interior is in excellent condition.