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The Corporation of the Township of Rear of Leeds and Lansdowne

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REGISTERED MAIL

Ontario Heritage Foundation 77 Bloor Street West Toronto, Ontario M7A 2R9

Dear Sirs:

Pursuant to s.s. 29 (6) and (14) of The Ontario Heritage Act, you are hereby served with a copy of By-law 1-1987 of this Township and Reasons for Designation of the Long Point School, Part of Lot 2, Concession 8, Township of Lansdowne, County of Leeds, as a Heritage Property.

Yours truly

Alexia M. Landon

IN THE MATTER OF THE ONTARIO HERITAGE ACT R.S.O. 1980, CHAPTER 337

AND IN THE MATTER OF THE LANDS AND PREMISES AT THE FOLLOWING MUNICIPAL ADDRESS IN THE TOWNSHIP OF REAR OF LEEDS AND LANSDOWNE IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO

NOTICE OF PASSING OF BY-LAW

TAKE NOTICE that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Rear of Leeds and Lansdowne has passed By-law Number 1-1987 to designate the following property as being of architectural and historical value or interest under Part IV of The Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1980, Chapter 337:

S.S. #5, Long Point School, being Part of Lot 2, Concession 8, Township of Lansdowne. It is an arch-typical one-room stone schoolhouse, built in 1862.

DATED at the Township of Rear of Leeds and Lansdowne, this 20th day of January, 1987.

Alexia M. Landon, A.M.C.T., C.M.O. Clerk-Treasurer Township of Rear of Leeds and Lansdowne Box 160, Lyndhurst, Ontario KOE 1NO

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF REAR OF LEEDS AND LANSDOWNE

BY-LAW NUMBER 1-1987

A BY-LAW TO DESIGNATE THE PROPERTY, KNOWN MUNICIPALLY AS THE LONG POINT SCHOOL, LOCATED ON PART OF LOT 2, CONCESSION 8 OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LANSDOWNE AS BEING OF ARCHITECTURAL AND HISTORICAL VALUE OR INTEREST

WHEREAS Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O., 1980, Chapter 337, as amended, 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 Township of Rear of Leeds and Lansdowne has caused to be served on the owners of the LONG POINT SCHOOL 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 the same newspaper having general circulation in the municipality once for each of three consecutive weeks;, and

WHEREAS no notice of objection to the proposed designation has been served on the clerk of the municipality;

THEREFORE the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Rear of Leeds and Lansdowne enacts as follows:

- There is designated as being of architectural and historical value or interest the real property known as the LONG POINT SCHOOL in the Township of Lansdowne, more particularly described in Schedule "A" attached.
- The municipal 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.
- The Clerk is hereby authorized to cause a copy of this by-law to be served on the owners 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 same newspaper having general circulation in the municipality once for each of three consecutive weeks.

READ A FIRST, SECOND AND THIRD TIME THIS 19TH DAY OF JANUARY, AND GIVEN UNDER THE SEAL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF REAR OF LEEDS AND LANSDOWNE THIS 19TH DAY OF JANUARY, 1987.

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CLERK TREASURER

TOWNSHIP OF REAR OF LEEDS & LANSING

SCHEDULE "A"

THOSE lands and premises located in the following municipality, namely in the Township of Lansdowne, in the County of Leeds, and

being composed of Part of Lot 2, Concession 8 of the said Township of Lansdowne.

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The stone school at Long Point was built in 1862 on land purchased from Daniel O'Connor in Lot 2 of the 8th Concession of Lansdowne. The trustees for School Section No. 5 paid ten shillings for the land in 1853, but the details of getting the school built were not overcome until 1862. The final cost was \$378. It is said that the stone came from the ridge along the road to Lyndhurst, in the 9th Concession, which is the same deposit that the stone for Lyndhurst Bridge came from. The previous school was a log structure on Lot 1 in the 8th Concession, near Richard Singleton's house.

The building is an arch-typical, one room, rural school house. It is built of variagated sandstone, laid randomly in very irregular courses. It is a simple rectangle with a low roof, in keeping with the tradition of using architecture of Classical influence for public buildings. The entrance is a single door centred on the east end, which faces the road. The six large windows with 6 over 6 double-hung sash, are placed symetricaly: two on each of the North and South walls, and one on each side of the entrance door. The west end is now blank, but there is an arch in the stone work indicating a former opening that was filled in with matching stone very early in the life of the Luilding. The bellfry, which gives the building an Italianate influence, seems to be original, as does the flagpole. The vee-joint boards in the ceiling of the belfry, are repeated in the front door (diagonally) and in the interior waiscot and ceiling. The gingerbread brackets, recently removed, at each corner of the belfry, seem to be the only nonfunctional feature of the whole building. The wooden vestibule, which was added some time after the photo of 1888, is another typical feature of rural schools.

The building served various other functions besides the intended purpose. Anglican and Methodist church services were held there on alternate Sundays during the early years, and prayer meetings were occasionally held by a local eccentric and faith-healer named Arza Sherman. The school was the polling place at election times, and, after electricity came, it was used to show moving picture: on Friday nights in the winter. More details of its history can be found in the North Leeds Lantern of June, 1980, and in the Memory Turns the Inal by Madeline O'Connor.

By designation under the Ontario Heritage Act, the following features are specifically protected:

- all existing stonework in its original random coursing
- all door and window openings in their original location, size, and pattern of vouscirs.
- 6 over 6, vertical opening, wooden sash windows
- narrow face boards, boxed caves and narrow frieze, in their original pattern
- belfry, flagpole and gingerbread in their original pattern
- the roof, in its original slope and covering material (wooden shingles)
- the vestibule, as existing
- as much of the original fabric of the building, either structural or architectural, interior or exterior, stone, wood or metal, as is possible to conserve.