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

AND IN THE MATTER OF THE LANDS AND PREMISES  
AT THE FOLLOWING MUNICIPAL ADDRESS IN THE  
TOWNSHIP OF MALAHIDE IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO

NOTICE OF PASSING OF BY-LAW

TAKE NOTICE that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Malahide has passed by-law number 39-86 to designate the following property as being of architectural value or interest under Part IV of The Ontario Heritage Act, 1980, S.O. Chapter 337:

Address of Property: Springwater Schoolhouse  
Part Lot 1, Concession V  
Township of Malahide

Reasons for the Designation

The Springwater Schoolhouse, built between 1860 and 1885, is an excellent example of rural public architecture of the mid nineteenth century. Using local materials and craftsmen, this one-room brick schoolhouse exhibits many interesting features. The Springwater Schoolhouse is one of the oldest one-room brick schoolhouse in Elgin County which is still in its near original condition. With the high degree of conversion of these types of schoolhouses into private dwellings, the retention of this structure is important in preserving the history of typical early education in this area.

DATED at the Town of Aylmer

this 18th day of September, 1986.

R. Millard

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CLERK

CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MALAHIDE

BY-LAW NO. 39-86

A BY-LAW TO DESIGNATE THE PROPERTY KNOWN  
MUNICIPALLY AS SPRINGWATER SCHOOLHOUSE, PART LOT 1,  
CONCESSION V, TOWNSHIP OF MALAHIDE, AS BEING OF  
ARCHITECTURAL AND/OR HISTORICAL VALUE OR INTEREST

WHEREAS section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act, 1980 authorizes the Council of a municipality of enact by-laws to designate real property, including all buildings and structures thereon, to be of architectural value or interest; and

WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Malahide has caused to be served on the owners of the lands and premises known as Springwater Schoolhouse at Part Lot 1, Concession V, Malahide Township, 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 Malahide enacts as follows:

- 1) There is designated as being of architectural value or interest the real property known as Springwater Schoolhouse, Part Lot 1, Concession V, Malahide Township, described in Schedule A and Schedule B hereto.
- 2) 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.
- 3) The Clerk is hereby authorized to cause a copy of this by-law to be served on the owner 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.

Dates of three readings:   September 24, 1986  
                                  October 1, 1986  
                                  October 8, 1986

Read a first and second time  
this 18th day of September, 1986

Read a third and final time  
this 18th day of September, 1986.

  
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CLERK

SCHEDULE A

The Springwater Schoolhouse is situated in the Township of Malahide in the County of Elgin and Province of Ontario being composed of Part Lot 1, in Concession 5 of the said Township more particularly described as follows:

COMMENCING at a point in the northwest angle of said Lot 1;

THENCE Easterly along the Northerly limit of the lot a distance of One Hundred and Ninety-Eight feet (198');

THENCE Southerly parallel to the Westerly limit of the lot a distance of Two Hundred and Twenty feet (220');

THENCE Westerly parallel to the Northerly limit of the lot a distance of One Hundred and Ninety-Eight feet (198') to its intersection with the Westerly limit of the lot;

THENCE northerly along the Westerly limit of the lot a distance of Two Hundred and Twenty feet (220') to the place of beginning.

Containing by admeasurement One Acre (1.00) be the same more or less.

## SCHEDULE B

### Reasons for Designation

The Springwater Schoolhouse, built between 1860 and 1885 is an excellent example of rural public architecture of the mid-nineteenth century. Using local materials and craftsmen, this one-room brick schoolhouse contains many interesting features. The exterior brick work exhibits an unusual stepped cornice. The bricks also step out at the base of the wall to provide an aesthetically pleasing design. The slightly arched windows and decorative doorway, stone foundation and divided window panes also contribute greatly to the exterior appearance and clearly indicates the attention which was given to design. Of an interesting note, the exterior window sills, usually made of limestone, were made of locally abundant wood (probably oak).

The abundance of high quality timber from a local sawmill is also evident in the interior. The room was wainscotted with red oak. The interior also features lath and plaster walls and ceiling and hardwood floors. One of the most interesting interior features is a home-made blackboard which was covered with slate boards in 1911. The lesson is still preserved on the blackboard which was made by burnishing on a layer of clay and coal dust onto a wet plaster backing.

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