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City of Belleville

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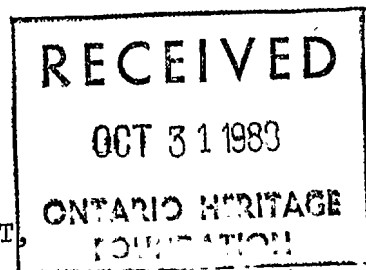
October 24, 1988

169 FRONT STREET
BELLEVILLE, ONTARIO
K8N 2Y8

Mr. John White, Chairman
The Ontario Heritage Foundation
7th Floor
77 Bloor Street West
Toronto, Ontario
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Dear Mr. White

RE: DESIGNATION OF MUNICIPAL NO. 96 ST. CHARLES STREET,
BELLEVILLE, ONTARIO



Further to my letter of July 19, 1988, which was Notice of Intent, I am pleased to advise that By-law Number 12502 has been passed designating the subject property to be of historic or architectural value or interest pursuant to the Ontario Heritage Act, 1980. By-law Number 12502 was registered as Instrument No. 403242 on October 12, 1988.

Attached hereto is a copy of By-law Number 12502 for your files. The necessary notice of the passing of this by-law appeared in the local press on September 17, 1988.

Yours truly

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "W. Moreton".

WCM/edk
ATTACH.

William C. Moreton, A.M.C.T.
CITY CLERK

c.c. City Manager
City Engineer
Director, Heritage Belleville

THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF BELLEVILLE

BY-LAW NUMBER 12502

A BY-LAW TO DESIGNATE A BUILDING WITHIN THE CITY OF BELLEVILLE TO BE OF HISTORIC OR ARCHITECTURAL VALUE OR INTEREST (MUNICIPAL NO. 96 ST. CHARLES STREET)

WHEREAS Section 29 of The Ontario Heritage Act, 1980 provides that where the council of a municipality has given notice of its intention to designate a property to be of historic or architectural value or interest and, where objections to said notice of designation are duly received and duly processed through the Conservation Review Board, the council shall pass a by-law designating the property to be of historic or architectural value or interest;

AND WHEREAS all statutory requirements for giving notice of council's intention to pass a by-law designating the property herein described to be of historic or architectural value have been complied with;

AND WHEREAS no objections to said notice of designation were received;

NOW, THEREFORE, THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF BELLEVILLE ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

1. THAT the building located at Municipal No. 96 St. Charles Street, which parcel of land is more particularly described in SCHEDULE "A" attached hereto, be and the same is designated as a property of historic or architectural value or interest, for the reasons stated in SCHEDULE "B" attached hereto as provided for in The Ontario Heritage Act, 1980.
2. THAT nothing in this By-Law shall be construed to designate any of the lands described in SCHEDULE "A" attached hereto to be of historic or architectural interest, as provided in The Ontario Heritage Act, 1980.

THIS BY-LAW SHALL COME INTO FORCE AND TAKE EFFECT IMMEDIATELY ON AND AFTER THE PASSING THEREOF.

Read a first time this 6th day of September, 1988.

Read a second time this 6th day of September, 1988

Read a third time and finally passed this 6th day of September, 1988.


GEORGE A. ZEGOURAS, MAYOR


WILLIAM C. MORETON, CITY CLERK

SCHEDULE "A" TO BY-LAW NUMBER

12502

96 ST. CHARLES STREET

Part of Lot 16, Plan 291, City of Belleville, County of Hastings.

SCHEDULE "B" TO BY-LAW NUMBER

12502

REASONS FOR THE PROPOSED DESIGNATION

96 ST. CHARLES STREET

The Crown granted a patent on this land to the Church of England Rector. The land was part of a glebe which was land granted to the Church by the Crown. In 1836 this patent was granted by the Crown to the Rector of Belleville. In 1851 John Haslett drew up a plan of the area for the Rev. John Grier.

The Deed for the land from the Synod of Ontario passed to James Ross in June 1876. James and his wife Mary Agnes took out a mortgage that same month for \$400.00 from The Hastings Loan and Investment Society. The house was probably built then.

The Hastings County Directory for 1879-1880 lists James Ross as living on the west side of St. Charles Street. James was a Scottish stone mason who built railway substations. With the help of his son Walter he also built 22 St. Charles Street, using stone which they brought from the Moira River.

By 1885 the Ross family had moved to 23 Geddes Street, and John and Mary Wonnacott were living in this St. Charles Street house. The property belonged to the Wonnacotts until 1921.

This charming four-room board and batten house is now covered with horizontal siding. The porch and north wing are of the 1870 period. The kitchen wing has a stone cellar but the remainder of the house has only crawl space. The roof framing is very informal. It was originally a centre hall plan and the interior door trim varies, but in the main is quite dainty.