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City of  
Ville d' **Ottawa**

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March 20, 1995

Chairman  
Ontario Heritage Foundation  
10 Adelaide St. East  
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Dear Sir/Madam:

The Council of the Corporation of the City of Ottawa on the 1st day of March, 1995, enacted By-Law Number 44-95 and thereby designated the property known municipally as 130 Preston Street, Plant Bath, in the City of Ottawa pursuant to The Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1980, c. 337.

Enclosed herewith is a certified copy of By-Law Number 44-95 and the Notice of Designating By-Law served according to the Act.

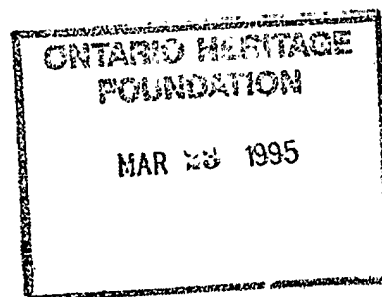
Yours truly,

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City Clerk

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Enc.

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BY-LAW NUMBER 44-95

A by-law of The Corporation of the City of Ottawa to designate 130 Preston Street to be of historic and architectural value or interest;

WHEREAS the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. O.18, authorizes the Council of a municipality to enact by-laws to designate real property, including all buildings and structures thereon, to be of historic and architectural value or interest;

AND WHEREAS the Council of The Corporation of the City of Ottawa has caused to be served upon the owners of the lands and premises known municipally as 130 Preston Street (more particularly described in Schedule "A" hereto), 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 once a week for three consecutive weeks in the Ottawa Citizen and in Le Droit on October 12, 19 and 26, 1994, newspapers having a general circulation in the City of Ottawa;


AND WHEREAS no notice of objection to the said proposed designation was served upon the Clerk of the municipality;

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

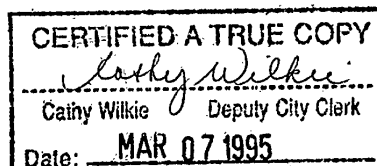
THEREFORE the Council of The Corporation of the City of Ottawa enacts as follows:

1. There is designated as being of historic and architectural value or interest the real property more particularly described in Schedule "A" hereto, known as 130 Preston Street.
2. The reasons for the designation are set out as Schedule "B" hereto.
3. 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.
4. The City Clerk is hereby authorized to cause a copy of this By-law to be served upon the owners of the property described in Schedule "A", and upon the Ontario Heritage Foundation, and to cause notice of this By-law to be published in a newspaper having a general circulation in the City of Ottawa.
5. The Schedules attached hereto and marked Schedule "A" and Schedule "B" form part of this By-law, and all notations, references and other information contained therein shall be as much a part of this By-law as if all the matters and information set forth by the said Schedules were all fully described herein.

GIVEN under the corporate seal of the City of Ottawa this 1st day of March, 1995.

  
CITY CLERK

  
MAYOR



Schedule A

ALL AND SINGULAR that certain parcel or tract of land and premises, situate, lying and being in the City of Ottawa, in the Regional Municipality of Ottawa-Carleton, in the Province of Ontario and BEING COMPOSED OF: Block 115, as shown on a plan of subdivision registered in the Land Registry Office for the Registry Division of Ottawa-Carleton No. 4 as Plan 13;

SAVING AND EXCEPTING thereout and therefrom those portions of said Block 115 described as follows:

FIRSTLY: Commencing at the northwest angle of said Block 115, said point also being the northeast angle of lot number 1 on the south side of Somerset Street West as shown on a plan of subdivision registered in the said Registry office as Plan 58;

Thence easterly along the northerly limit of said Block 115, 1.50 feet;

Thence southerly parallel to the easterly boundary of said Lot 1, 105.02 feet more or less to the prolongation easterly in a straight line of the southerly boundary of said Lot 1;

Thence westerly along the said prolongation 1.50 feet to the southeast angle of said Lot 1;

Thence northerly along the easterly boundary of said Lot 1, 105.02 feet more or less to the point of commencement.

SECONDLY: the southerly 25 feet of said Block 115.

THIRDLY: Commencing at a point in the northerly limit of said Block 115, distant 35.0 feet measured westerly thereon from its northeast angle thereof;

Thence easterly along the said northerly limit 35.0 feet;

Thence southerly along the easterly limit of said Block 115, 35.0 feet;

Thence northwesterly in a straight line 49.5 feet more or less to the point of commencement.

## SCHEDULE "B"

### STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR DESIGNATION

The Plant Bath merits designation under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act as a fine example of municipal architecture. It is also noteworthy as one of Ottawa's most prominent testimonies to the social reform movement.

The social reform movement, with its emphasis on the improvement of the physical and mental well-being of the working classes was popular among middle and upper-middle class Ottawans in the early twentieth century. The swimming bath was viewed as one means of "improving" the lower classes and the construction of the Champagne Bath and the Plant Bath, each containing a library and a swimming pool, was approved by City Council in 1922.

The Plant Bath was designed by Richard H. Millson, Cecil Burgess and Albert J. Hazelgrove and officially opened in 1924. Named after then-mayor, Frank H. Plant, the building contained a swimming pool and public lavatories but the library was not included because of budget constraints.

The Plant Bath is a red brick structure, rectangular in plan. It is an example of the neo-Gothic style, which was popular for institutional buildings from 1900-1945. Key elements of the building associated with this style include the segmentally-arched entrance doors, each located at the base of a frontispiece with a gabled parapet, the brick buttresses and the use of cut stone for detail. Other noteworthy features of the building include the elliptical reliefs in the gabled parapet ends, which depict a naked boy holding a fish, and the large windows that light the pool area.

By reason of its association with the urban reform movement of the early 20th century and its simple neo-Gothic details, the Plant Bath merits designation as a heritage property.

The building is also distinguished by its unusual angled siting, on a generous lot, which enhances its prominence as a major presence in the community.

IN THE MATTER OF THE ONTARIO HERITAGE ACT

The Council of the Corporation of the City of Ottawa on the 1st day of March, 1995, enacted By-law Number 44-95, designating the following heritage property for its historical and architectural value.

130 PRESTON STREET

A copy of this By-law may be obtained at the Office of the City Clerk.

DATED at Ottawa this 29th day of March, 1995.

P.G. Pagé  
City Clerk