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BY-LAW NUMBER 59 OF 1981

OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF ST. MARYS

BEING a By-law to designate the properties known municipally as 6 - 14 Water Street South as being of architectural value or interest.

WHEREAS Section 29 of The Ontario Heritage Act, 1974 authorizes the Council of a municipality to 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 Town of St. Marys has caused to be served 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 Town of St. Marys ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

- There is designated as being of architectrual value or interest the real property known as Opera House, The Hutton Block, and The Armoury, more particularly described in Schedule A hereto.
- 2) The municipal solicitor is hereby authorized to cause a copy of this by-law to be registered against the properties 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 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 time this 28th day of July, 1981.

READ a second time this 28th day of July, 1981.

READ a third time this 28th day of July, 1981.

MAYOR

CLERK

SCHEDULE A

THE OPERA HOUSE - THE HUTTON BLOCK - THE ARMOURY

Reasons for Designation:

THE OPERA HOUSE

Designed by Messrs. Weekes and Smyth Architects of London, Ontario the building was constructed in 1879 - 1880 for the local Oddfellows Lodge.

This impressive building in the French Gothic style, with turrets and tall lancet windows is also remarkable for the fancy cut stone used in its construction. The exterior of the building is well preserved and the store-fronts on the street level are original with their wooden framing and cast-iron supports.

THE HUTTON BLOCK (PRICE GUARD)

Built in 1863 this block with a ten bay facade originally housed five retail stores.

This building (as well as the Armouries following) with its segmental arches (above the windows and their finely finished voussoirs and projecting keystones give and Italinate flavour to these structures.

The similar, simplified treatment of these flanking buildings provides a very effective foil for the exuberance of the Opera House facade.

THE ARMOURY

Built in 1868 as a retail store (see above Hutton Block for description).

Together these three buildings present one of the most outstanding stone streetscapes in the Town.