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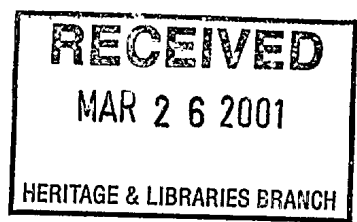
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Ministry of Citizenship, Culture and Recreation
Heritage Properties and Museums Programs Unit
77 Bloor Street West
Toronto, ON M7A 2R9
Attention: John Ota

MINISTRY OF CITIZENSHIP,
CULTURE AND RECREATION



Dear Sir:

Re: Designation under Part IV of the *Ontario Heritage Act*
Former Fort Frances Railway Station
140 Fourth Street W.

Attached for your records is a copy of Town of Fort Frances By-Law 14/01 enacted March 12, 2001 to designate the real property known as the Former Fort Frances Railway Station located at 140 Fourth Street West, Fort Frances under Part IV of the *Ontario Heritage Act*.

Notice of passing of the by-law has been published in the Fort Frances Times. A copy of the by-law and the notice has been presented to the Fort Frances Volunteer Bureau the owner of the property. The reasons for designation were set out in the notice and are as follows:

The former Fort Frances Railway Station has been designated because of its historical associations, its very good architectural design and its conspicuous identity within the region. Its heritage value resides in its form, massing, fenestration, materials, interior layout and site relationships.

This structure, built during the growth of various railway systems prior to World War 1, reflects that era of investment, growth and optimism. Growth as a result of Fort Frances' connection to the United States railway lines in Minnesota and Fort Frances emerging as a major international customs and immigration point instigated the construction of this station, adjacent to the original; 1902 station. The diversity of new industries supported by the line's communications and transportation links and growth in the town's population resulted in a stable economy for Fort Frances.

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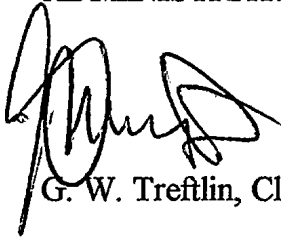
The Fort Frances station is a very good example of Canadian railway station design as practised in the early 20th century. The simple form, materials and fenestration result in a handsome station that has survived with considerable integrity. While many of the ancillary structures have been removed and the once extensive yards have been reduced, the station maintains considerable landmark status in the community.

A copy of the by-law will be registered at the local office of the Land Registrar and the property will be entered in the municipal registry of designated properties.

If you require any additional information on this matter please contact me.

Yours very truly,

ADMINISTRATION & FINANCE DIVISION



G. W. Treflin, Clerk

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Enclosure

cc: Fort Frances Volunteer Bureau (Attachment)
Town of Fort Frances, Attention:
T. Berry, Municipal Planner (attachment)
R. Hallam, Chief Building Official (Attachment)
P. Hawley, Museum Superintendent (attachment)

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TOWN OF FORT FRANCES

BY-LAW NO.14/01

(Being a by-law to designate the property known municipally as 140 Fourth Street West (former Fort Frances Railway Station) as being of historic value or interest);

WHEREAS Section 29 of 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 architectural or historic value or interest;

AND WHEREAS on April 24, 2000, Council approved a recommendation from the Planning Advisory Committee to designate the former Fort Frances CN Railway Station under the *Ontario Heritage Act*;

AND WHEREAS on December 4, 2000, the Town was given notice that title to the subject property transferred from Canadian National Railway Company to Fort Frances Volunteer Bureau and the property qualified to be designated under the Act;

AND WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Fort Frances has caused to be served on the owners of the lands and premises known as the former Fort Frances Railway Station at 140 Fourth Street West, Fort Frances, Ontario 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 a newspaper having general circulation in the municipality;

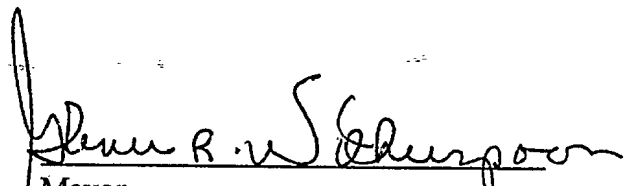
AND WHEREAS no notice of objection to the proposed designation has been served on the Clerk of the Municipality;

NOW THEREFORE Council for the Corporation of the Town of Fort Frances HEREBY ENACTS as follows:


1. There is designated as being of historical value or interest the real property known as the former Fort Frances Railway Station at 140 Fourth Street West, Fort Frances, Ontario, more particularly described in Schedule "A" hereto.
2. 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 a newspaper having general circulation in the municipality.

This by-law shall come into force and take effect on the final passing thereof.

READ THREE TIMES and finally passed in open Council this 12th day of March 2001.



Mayor



Clerk

TOWN OF FORT FRANCES BY-LAW 14/01

SCHEDULE "A"

Part of Block F, Registered Plan M-74, Town of Fort Frances, District of Rainy River, designated as Part 1 on Reference Plan 48R-3656.