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City Clerk



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Corporation of the City of St. Thomas

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**THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF ST. THOMAS  
ONTARIO HERITAGE ACT, R.S.O. 1990, c. 0.18**

Section 29(6) of the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. 0.18 provides that where no notice of objection to a proposed designation is served within the prescribed thirty day period, Council may either pass a by-law designating the property or withdraw the notice of intention to designate the property.

**NOTICE OF HERITAGE DESIGNATION BY-LAW**

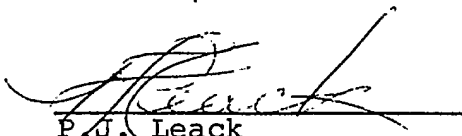
**TAKE NOTICE THAT** the Council of the Corporation of the City of St. Thomas has enacted the following heritage designation by-law pursuant to the Act on the 7th day of November, 1994:

1. 96 Moore Street ✓

By-Law No. 167-94. ✓

A copy of this heritage designation by-law may be seen in or obtained from the Office of the City Clerk, City Hall, 545 Talbot Street, St. Thomas, Ontario during normal office hours (8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.) Monday to Friday.

**DATED** at St. Thomas, Ontario this 16th day of December, 1994.

  
P.J. Leack  
City Clerk  
City of St. Thomas

This notice is being sent to you because you are either the owner or may have an interest in the property.

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CITY OF ST. THOMAS

BY-LAW NO. 167-94

A by-law to designate 96 Moore Street,  
in the City of St. Thomas, as a building  
of historic and architectural value.

WHEREAS pursuant to the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O.  
1990, c. 0.18, the Council of a municipality may by by-law  
designate a property including buildings and structures  
thereon to be of historic or architectural value or interest.


AND WHEREAS notice of intention to designate the property  
at 96 Moore Street, St. Thomas, Ontario, has been duly  
published and served, and no notice of objection has been  
received to such designation;

NOW THEREFORE THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE  
CITY OF ST. THOMAS, ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

1. There is hereby designated as being of historic and  
architectural value or interest the property at 96 Moore  
Street, known as Alma College, in the City of St. Thomas,  
all of which is described in Schedule "A" attached hereto,  
for the reasons set out in Schedule "B" attached hereto.
2. The City Clerk is hereby authorized to cause a copy  
of this by-law to be registered upon the title to the property  
described in the aforementioned Schedule "A" in the proper  
Land Registry Office.
3. The City Clerk is hereby authorized to cause a copy  
of this by-law to be served upon the owner of the aforesaid  
property and upon the Ontario Heritage Foundation and to  
cause notice of this by-law to be published in the  
St. Thomas Times-Journal.
4. This by-law comes into force on the day it is finally  
passed.

READ a First and Second time this 7th day of November,  
1994.

READ a Third time and finally passed this 7th day of November,  
1994.

  
City Clerk

  
Mayor

Schedule "A"

Part of the London and Port Stanley Railway Block, Registered Plan 3, AND

All of Lots 69, 70, 71, and 72, Registered Plan 19, AND

Part of Lots 68 & 73, and Part of Moore Street, Registered Plan 19, AND

Part of Lot 99, Registered Plan 43, AND

Part of Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 and Forest Avenue, Registered Plan 122 designated as Part 1 on Reference Plan 11R-5757, subject to Easement Instrument 252822;

Part of Lot 73, Registered Plan 19 designated as Part 2 on Reference Plan 11R-5757;

Part of Lots 68 and 69, Registered Plan 19 designated as Part 3 on Reference Plan 11R-5757;

Part of Lot 68, Registered Plan 19 designated as Part 4 on Reference Plan 11R-5757;

in the City of St. Thomas, County of Elgin.

## Schedule "B"

### Main Building, Chapel & McLachlin Hall

Alma College is located in a park setting, fronting on Moore Street. The original building was designed by James Balfour with Henry Lindop, St. Thomas, the builder. The high Victorian gothic exterior of the front facade and the two flanking side facades make this structure unique in the City and the Province. Indeed, it presents a castle-like presence within the City of St. Thomas.

### Significant Features

The exterior facade is constructed of yellow clay brick, with the use of quoined corners of sandstone. The building is three and one-half storeys in height, not including the belfry tower or turrets. The use of dripstones and decorative woodwork is evident throughout. The belfry tower contains louvered openings of painted woodwork.

The gabled belfry tower is centred between two turrets. The tower's base contains an early English-styled front entrance. Forming the main entrance are a series of early English-styled columns complete with foliated bases and capitals. Extending above the door in the formation of an arch is a sandstone drip course. In the late 1940's, eight and one-half feet were removed from the tower.

The first floor contains a series of double windows each adorned with a foliated (quatrefoil) circular window above. Each window is surrounded by stone and brickwork in the form of an arch complete with a hood moulding. Between each of the windows a decorative circular sandstone moulding proudly sits.

The second floor contains a variety of windows, including both single and double groupings. Each window is adorned with a foliated circular window above, similar to those on the first floor.

The third floor and partial fourth are set into a mansard-like roof. The windows are set into gables projecting from the roof-line using some finely detailed bracketing, and dentil banding. All windows are grouped into singular, double or triple groupings and are similar to the windows on the lower floors.

The side entrances are placed at the base of finely detailed turrets. With octagonal shaped tower and rod spire atop, the turrets become complete with the use of buttresses at their bases. The doors at the base of the turret are double-swinging entrances with a transom panel above. Within the transom panel is a foliated (quatrefoil) circular window similar to those found on the first floor windows.

### Historical Comments

Alma College was chartered in 1877. The cornerstone was laid on May 24th, 1878. The building was designed by James Balfour of Hamilton. Henry Lindop of St. Thomas, was the contractor.

Alma Ladies' College was formally opened in 1881. Reverend B.F. Austin was the first principal. The cost of the building was in excess of \$50,000. The school has educated thousands of girls from all over the world since its inception. The school was known in the beginning as the St. Thomas Ladies' College. It was changed to honour the late wife of Sheriff Colin Munroe, Alma Munroe, and also his daughter, Alma (Munro) Duffield.

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4/20/04