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# The Corporation of the Town of New Tecumseth

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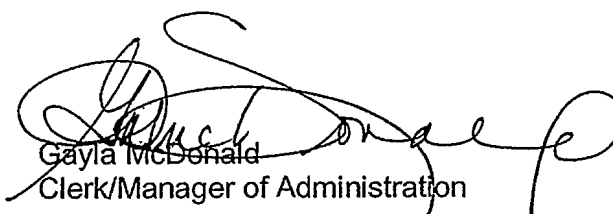
Chris Oslund  
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Dear Mr. Oslund:

In keeping with the recommendations contained in the decision of the Conservation Review Board issued on October 25, 2007, the Council of the Town of New Tecumseth, at its meeting held on November 12<sup>th</sup>, 2007, passed By-law No. 2007-207, a by-law to designate the Sir Frederick Banting Homestead, 5116 Sir Frederick Banting Road, Town of New Tecumseth, as being of cultural heritage value or interest, pursuant to Section 29 of the *Ontario Heritage Act, 2005*. In accordance with the requirements of Section 29 s. (3), attached is a copy of the by-law, together with a statement explaining the cultural heritage value or interest of the property and a description of the heritage attributes. A copy of the newspaper advertisement relating to the passing of the By-law is also attached for your information.

If you require further information, please contact the Clerks Department.

Sincerely,

  
Gayla McDonald  
Clerk/Manager of Administration

c. Ontario Heritage Trust

Attachment 1: By-law No. 2007-207

Attachment 2: Notice of Passing of Designation By-law – To be published in Alliston Herald,  
November 14, 2007

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF  
NEW TECUMSETH

**BY-LAW**

Number 2007-207

**"SIR FREDERICK BANTING HOMESTEAD DESIGNATION BY-LAW"**

A by-law to designate the property known as 5116 Sir Frederick Banting Road as being of cultural heritage value or interest

**WHEREAS** authority was granted by Council to designate the property known as the East Half of Lot 2, Concession 2, (former Township of Essa), municipally known as 5116 Sir Frederick Banting Road, in the Town of New Tecumseth as being of cultural heritage value or interest;

**AND WHEREAS** the *Ontario Heritage Act* authorizes the Council of a municipality to enact by-laws to designate real property, including all the buildings and structures thereon, to be of cultural heritage value or interest;

**AND WHEREAS** the Council of the Town of New Tecumseth has caused to be served upon the owners of the land and premises known as the East Half of Lot 2, Concession 2, (former Township of Essa), municipally known as 5116 Sir Frederick Banting Road, in the Town of New Tecumseth and upon the Ontario Heritage Trust, Notice of Intention to designate the property and has caused the Notice of Intention to be published in a newspaper having a general circulation in the municipality as required by the *Ontario Heritage Act*;

**AND WHEREAS** the Conservation Review Board of Ontario recommends to the Council of the Town of New Tecumseth that there is sufficient cultural heritage value or interest in the property known municipally as 5116 Sir Frederick Banting Road (Banting Homestead) in the Town of New Tecumseth to proceed with designation of the entire acreage of this property under section 29, of *The Ontario Heritage Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c.O.18, as amended in 2006.

**AND WHEREAS** the reasons for designation are set out in Schedule "A" to this by-law;

**NOW THEREFORE** the Council of The Corporation of the Town of New Tecumseth hereby enacts as follows:

1. That the property known as the East Half of Lot 2, Concession 2, (former Township of Essa), municipally known as 5116 Sir Frederick Banting Road, in the Town of New Tecumseth more particularly described in Schedule "B" and shown on Schedule "C" attached to this by-law, is designated as being of cultural heritage value or interest.
2. That the Town Solicitor is authorized to cause a copy of this by-law to be registered against the property described in Schedule "B" to this by-law in the proper Land Registry Office.
3. That the Town Clerk is authorized to cause a copy of this by-law to be served upon the owners of the property as known as the East Half of Lot 2, Concession 2, (former Township of Essa), in the Town of New Tecumseth and upon the Ontario Heritage Trust and to cause notice of this by-law to be published in a newspaper having general circulation in the Town of New Tecumseth as required by the *Ontario Heritage Act*.

**READ A FIRST, SECOND AND THIRD TIME AND FINALLY PASSED THIS 12<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2007.**

MAYOR

CLERK

**SCHEDULE "A"**  
**TO BY-LAW No. 2007-207**

**REASONS FOR DESIGNATION**

**DESCRIPTION:**

The 100-acre property located at 5116 Sir Frederick Banting Road (East Half, Lot 2, Concession 2, Essa Township) in the Town of New Tecumseth, Ontario, meets the requirements of provincial Regulation 9/06 and is worthy of designation under Section 29 of the *Ontario Heritage Act*.

The property is comprised of approximately 100 acres of farm use lands that contain such features as an early 20th century evolved dwelling, dairy barn, piggery, silo, henhouse, octagonal implement shed, cow shed, garage, rail fencing, yard, and related cultural heritage landscape features; as well as significant plantings, cultivated fields, and two commemorative markers.

**STATEMENT OF CULTURAL HERITAGE VALUE:**

The Banting Homestead is recommended for designation under Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act for its cultural heritage value or interest. The farm is commemorated as the birth place and childhood home of Frederick Banting, the celebrated co-discoverer of insulin, and is well-known in the community as the homestead of one of the community's most prominent farm families. Alliston's identity as the formative landscape of Frederick Banting's childhood is centred on the farm. This identity was first realized in the 1920's following the first human trial of insulin in 1922, the award of a Nobel Prize to Banting and Macleod in 1923, the delivery of the Banting Nobel Lecture in 1925 and the promotion of Banting as a hero by prominent Canadians. The stipend awarded to him by the Federal Government assisted his brother Thompson in rebuilding the farmhouse in 1925.

**HERITAGE ATTRIBUTES:**

The heritage attributes of the Banting farm are related to the property's cultural heritage value as the birthplace, childhood home, and family farm of Frederick Banting; as well as the commemoration of Frederick Banting and the Banting Homestead as an expression of the identity and historic achievement of the community. These heritage attributes include such features as:

- The overall appearance of the property as a farm, with a driveway entrance, and a dwelling, outbuildings, and associated cultural heritage landscape features surrounded by farm fields to the south, west, and north;
- The location and arrangement of a driveway leading to the former Banting family dwelling occupying a position of prominence at the front of the yard, a large dairy barn set at the back of the yard, with outbuildings, including a piggery, silo, henhouse, implement shed, cow shed, garage, rail fencing, yard, and related cultural heritage landscape features;
- The scale, materials, massing, style, and design of the dwelling which was modernized and remodelled using some materials from an earlier form of the dwelling;
- The proportions, scale, form, design, original materials, openings, brick walls, workings, and structure of the dairy barn;
- The proportions, scale, form, design, original materials, openings, workings, and structure of the octagonal implement shed;
- The proportions, scale, form, design, original materials, openings, workings, and structure of the farm related outbuildings such as the piggery, silo, henhouse, cow shed, garage, and others;
- All remnants of wood rail and other farm type fencing;
- The view to the dwelling, barn, outbuildings, and associated cultural heritage landscape features from the road allowance;

- The view of the farm fields to and from the dwelling and yard, but noting that the view of the field to the south is compromised by the existence of a residential subdivision and is of less significance as a heritage attribute than the views to the west and north
- View of the glacial drumlin from the dwelling and yard;
- The commemorative markers at the road allowance;
- The American White Elm tree at the southwest identified by the Heritage Tree Alliance; and the view of the Elm tree from the dwelling and yard;
- The Black Walnut tree shelterbelt at the northwest attributed to Sir William Mulock in 1942; and the view of the shelterbelt from the dwelling and yard;
- The existence of the row of hard Maple trees along the road allowance attributed to Frederick's brother, Thompson;
- The existence, if confirmed, of the Maple tree(s) said to be annually harvested for syrup;
- Any remnant evidence of an apple orchard and/or butternut trees at or near the dwelling and yard; and,
- Other infrastructure, remnants, buildings, or cultural heritage landscape features associated with Frederick Banting, including evidence of farm activities and family life during his lifetime.

**SCHEDULE "B"**  
**TO BY-LAW No. 2007-207**

**LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

All and singular that certain parcel or tract of land situate, lying and being in the Town of New Tecumseth, in the County of Simcoe and being the East Half of Lot 2, Concession 2, (former Township of Essa), in the Town of New Tecumseth and municipally known as 5116 Sir Frederick Banting Road.

SCHEDULE "C"  
TO BY-LAW No. 2007-207

5116 Sir Frederick Banting Road





### NOTICE OF PASSING OF BY-LAW

In accordance with the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, c.O.18, as amended, and in the matter of the designation of the property known as the Sir Frederick Banting Homestead located at 5116 Sir Frederick Banting Road, in the Town of New Tecumseth, in the Province of Ontario;

**TAKE NOTICE THAT** the Council of The Corporation of the Town of New Tecumseth has passed By-law No. 2007-207 to designate the following property as a property of cultural heritage value or interest under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990:

Sir Frederick Banting Homestead  
5116 Sir Frederick Banting Road  
East Half of Lot 2, Concession 2  
(former Township of Essa)  
Town of New Tecumseth

The original by-law including a statement of cultural heritage value and list of heritage attributes pertaining to the property is available for review in the Clerk's Department.

Dated at the Town of New Tecumseth  
this 14th day of November, 2007

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