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**IN THE MATTER OF THE
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1974, S.O. CHAPTER 122**

**AND IN THE MATTER OF THE
LANDS AND PREMISES
KNOWN MUNICIPALLY AS 14
WATER STREET IN THE
TOWN OF ST. MARYS, IN THE
PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.
NOTICE OF INTENTION TO
DESIGNATE;**

TAKE NOTICE that the Council of the Corporation of the Separated Town of St. Marys intends to designate the property, including land and buildings, known municipally as 14 Water Street South as properties of Architectural value and interest under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act, 1974, S.O. Chapter 122.

**REASONS FOR PROPOSED
DESIGNATION**

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 Armoury: Built in 1868 as a retail store, this building with its segmental arches (above the windows and their finely finished voussoirs and projecting keystones) give the Italianate flavour to this structure. The similar, simplified treatment of this flanking building provides a very effective foil for the exuberance of the Opera House facade.

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

Any person may before the 30th day of November, 1986 send by registered mail or deliver to the Clerk of the Town of St. Marys, notice of his or her objection to the proposed designation, together with a statement of the reason for the objection and all relevant facts. When a Notice of Objection has been received, the Council of the Town of St. Marys will refer the matter to the Conservation Review Board for a hearing and report.

DATED AT ST. MARYS

This 22nd day of October, 1986.

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K. Storey, Clerk