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January 13, 1982

Mr. R. Moorhouse LACAC Co-Ordinator, Heritage Administration Branch Ministry of Culture and Recreation, 7th Floor 77 Bloor Street West TORONTO, Ontario M7A 2R9

Dear Mr. Moorhouse:

RE: Bylaw No. 35-81 Designation of Property -105 Bell Street and -233 Bridge Street, Town of Carleton Place

Enclosed, please find a copy of Bylaw No. 35-81 designating two properties as described within the said Bylaw.

Yours very truly,

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Duncan H. Rogers for Councillor G. Dickie Secretary, LACAC Town of Carleton Place

A BY-LAW OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF CARLETON PLACE to designate the properties known municipally as the Dr. Wilson House, 105 Bell Street, Carleton Place and the Bell House, 233 Bridge Street, Carleton Place as being of historical value or interest

WHEREAS the Ontario Heritage Act S.O. 1974, Chap 122 as amended by 1975, Chap 87, Part IV provides that the council of a municipality may designate a property within the boundaries of the municipality to be of historical and/or architectural value or interest and

WHEREAS Notice of Intent to designate said properties has been given in accordance with said Act, Part IV, Sect. 29, subsection 3.4, and

WHEREAS no objection to the proposed designation has been served on the clerk of the municipality

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Carleton Place enacts as follows:

There are designated as being of historical interest or value the properties, including lands and buildings, at the following municipal addresses as properties of architectural and/or historical value or interest under Part IV of The Ontario Heritage Act, 1974, S.O. Chapter 122.

105 Bell Street, Plan 276, Lot 116 and Part Lots 113 and 117 a. Beckwith Township now within the Town of Carleton Place, known as the Dr. Wilson House and presently owned by

CONSTRUCTION

Circa 1845

SIGNIFICANCE

This property was the home of Dr. William Wilson. Dr. Wilson came to Carleton Place from Scotland in the early 1840s and remained until his death in 1887. Dr. Wilson served the community as surgeon and coroner for over forty years.

EXTERIOR

The house is built of stone set in a regular course in a Georgian style. It is a 1^{1}_{2} -storey structure with gable roof with return eaves and a centre front gable. Flat radiating voussoirs top the double hung rectangular windows. The front facade, facing Bell Street, is symmetrical in its window, door and chimney placement. The main door is in the Palladian style with an elliptical fan. The arch above the doorway is also elliptical with radiating voussoirs. The door is recessed and opens onto a stoop of three steps.

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233 Bridge Street, Plan 276, Part of Lot 131, Section B of Beckwith Township now within the Town of Carleton Place, known as the Bell House and presently owned by

CONSTRUCTION

Circa 1830s

SIGNIFICANCE

The house is significant architecturally as an excellent example of an early limestone two-storey structure with an elliptical fanlight crowning the main door This was the most common form of transom in Ontario during the and sidelights. 1820s - 1840s, the period when the house was built. A unique feature of the house is the mansard roof, a most atypical feature of stone house construction. Historically, the house is associated with the Bells, a prominent mercantile family in the early years of the Town.

The Bell House is unique due to its bell-cast mansard roof and dormers, unusual features for an early stone house. The original roof was probably a gable one and the present one constructed at a later date following a fire. The elliptical fanlight and sidelights are typical features of stone houses built at this time, and the rough-dressed limestone with radiating voussoirs are found on many of the old stone houses in Carleton Place.

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The municipality is hereby authorized to cause a copy of this by-law to be registered against the properties in the proper land registry office.

The Clerk is hereby authorized to cause a copy of this by-law to be served on the owners of the aforesaid properties and 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, SECOND AND THIRD TIMES AND FINALLY PASSED THIS 11TH DAY OF AUGUST 1981

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