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The Ontario Heritage Foundation 77 Bloor Street West Toronto, ON M7A 2R9

Dear Madam or Sir:

Re: Designation By-law 107-2003

58 King's Crescent, Ajax

Please find enclosed one copy of Town of Ajax By-law 107-2003 which designates 58 King's Crescent, Ajax, as being of historical value and interest.

This By-law will be registered on the title of the subject property.

Thank you for your kind attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

M. de Rond

Clerk

cc Mr. and Mrs. V. Ames, 58 King's Cr, Ajax, L1S 2M3 Brenda Kriz, Co-ordinator, Heritage Ajax

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Place this notice in the September 17 and October 15, 2003 Community Page

ONTARIO HERITAGE ACT PROPERTY DESIGNATION 58 KING'S CRESCENT

On September 8, 2003, Ajax Town Council passed By-law 107-2003 under the *Ontario Heritage Act*, designating 58 King's Crescent as being of historical value and interest.

This designation recognizes the former residence of Benjamin de Forest "Pat" Bayly, first Mayor of the Town of Ajax. The Town gratefully acknowledges the current property owners, Mr. and Mrs. V. Ames, for their consent and support of this designation.

A ceremony to unveil a commemorative plaque will be held on the site at 10 a.m., Saturday, October 18, 2003.

A copy of the By-law, which includes the full reasons for designation, may be obtained from the Clerk's Department.

M. de Rond, Clerk

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF AJAX

BY-LAW NUMBER 107-2003

A By-law to designate the property known municipally as 58 King's Crescent as being of historical value and interest.

WHEREAS Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act (R.S.O. 1990, Chapter 0.18), as amended, 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 Historical value or interest;

AND WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Ajax has caused to be served on the owners of the lands and premises known as 58 King's Crescent and upon the Ontario Heritage Foundation a 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 the Council has considered the recommendations of Heritage Ajax with respect to this matter;

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Ajax enacts as follows:

- There is designated as being of historical value or interest the real property known as 58
 King's Crescent. The reasons for designation are set out in Schedule "A" attached hereto.
- The Municipal Solicitor is hereby authorized to cause a copy of this By-law to be registered
 against the property described in Schedule "A" hereto in the property land registry office.
- 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.

READ a first time and second time this Eighth day of September, 2003.

READ a third time and finally passed this Eighth day of September, 2003.

Mayor

Clerk

SCHEDULE "A" TO BY-LAW NUMBER 107-2003

REASONS FOR DESIGNATION - 58 KING'S CRESCENT, AJAX

58 Kings Crescent is important to the history of Ajax as it was the home of Benjamin de Forest "Pat" Bayly, first Mayor of the Town of Ajax. Mayor Bayly served a one year term in 1955. Mr. Bayly lived in this home from 1953 until 1969.

Mr. Bayly was born in London, Ontario and was a Professor of Engineering at the University of Toronto. In 1941, at the outbreak of WW II, he was recruited into the British Secret Service and was second in command to the famous Sir William Stevenson (code name "Intrepid) at Camp X, a training facility for secret service personnel located near Oshawa. Mr. Bayly's invention of the "Rockex" cipher machine was crucial in allowing allied forces to transfer secret information almost instantly. Without this technology, the outcome of WWII may have been very different. After the war, Mr. Bayly formed an engineering company in Oshawa and in 1948 moved Bayly Engineering to Ajax. He continued in his business to pioneer important engineering processes including one of the first artificial hearts, initiating postal automation and other important technological firsts. In 1989 Mr. Bayly was honoured by the University of Toronto when he was made a member of the Hall of Distinction. Mr. Bayly is also recognized by the naming of Bayly Street, a prominent thoroughfare in the Town of Ajax. Mr. Bayly retired in 1969 and moved to California. He died in March of 1994 at the age of 90.

The house at 58 King's Crescent was built for Mr & Mrs. Bayly in 1953 to the design of Mr. Stan Kent, Architect. It is a good example of a custom designed, single-family dwelling from the post-World War II years in Southern Ontario. The dwelling's most noteworthy feature is that it is oriented to the adjoining park (Forest Park) rather than the street, as it incorporates large windows on both the upper and lower levels overlooking the park, resulting in a perception that the park is an extension of the rear yard. The house is in excellent condition and repair and the exterior changes that have been made to it are largely cosmetic. Many of the interior details and fitments that were custom-designed to Mr. Bayly's requirements remain intact.

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