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THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF WOODSTOCK

By-law Number 5308-77

A by-law to designate the property at 55 Chapel Street of historic value.

WHEREAS The Ontario Heritage Act, 1974, authorizes the Council of a Municipality to enact by-laws to designate real property, including all the buildings and structures thereon, to be of historic or architectural value or interest, and

WHEREAS, the Council of The Corporation of the City of Woodstock has caused to be served upon the owner of the lands and premises known municipally as 55 Chapel Street, and upon The Ontario Heritage Foundation, notice of intention to so designate the aforesaid real property and has caused notice of intention to be published in a newspaper having a general circulation in the municipality once for each of three consecutive weeks, and

WHEREAS, the reasons for designation are set out in Schedule "B" hereto, and

WHEREAS, The Ontario Conservation Review Board has determined by a hearing held on the 10th day of February, 1977, that the property is of historic value,

THEREFORE, the Council of The Corporation of the City of Woodstock enacts as follows:

1. There is designated as being of historical value or interest the real property more particularly described in Schedule "A" hereto, known municipally as 55 Chapel Street.
2. That a copy of this by-law shall be registered against the property described in Schedule "A" hereto in the proper land registry office.
3. That the 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 a newspaper having general circulation in the City of Woodstock.

READ a first and second time this 7th day of April, 1977.

READ a third time and finally passed this 7th day of April, 1977.

Mayor

D/Clerk

Schedule "A"

ALL AND SINGULAR that certain parcel or tract of land and premises situate lying and being in the City of Woodstock, in the County of Oxford and Province of Ontario, being composed of part of Block "D" on the East side of Chapel Street, according to Plan Number 19, and more particularly described as follows, that is to say:-

COMMENCING at a point in the westerly boundary of said Block "D" (being the Easterly boundary of Chapel Street), three hundred and sixty (360) feet measured Southerly from the North-West angle of said Block "D";

THENCE Easterly parallel to the Northerly boundary of said Block "D", one hundred and seventy-two (172) feet more or less to the Eastern limit of said Block "D";

THENCE Southerly along the said Eastern limit, sixty-seven (67) feet;

THENCE Westerly parallel to the Northerly boundary of said Block "D", one hundred and seventy-two (172) feet more or less to the westerly limit of said Block "D";

THENCE Northerly along this last mentioned boundary sixty-seven (67) feet to the place of beginning.

SUBJECT TO a registered mortgage number B2052.

## Schedule "B"

At the time of building, 55 Chapel Street was one of the first and finest brick houses and was located in the centre of the village. It was built by Rev. W.H. Landon, from Batavia, N.Y., who arrived in the area about 1822, and was the first ordained pastor of the Baptist Chapel. He later became the first School Superintendent, Editor of the Western Progree, Vice-President of the Reading Society (fore runner of the Public Library) and finally the County Clerk. In 1849 Lord Elgin, Governor General, on an official visit to Woodstock, was a guest in the Landon home. In 1851, Rev. Henry Revell and his wife occupied the house, having moved from Ingersoll. Church meetings were held and it was then known as The Hall. After Rev. Revell's death in 1870, Mrs. Revell conducted the first boarding school in the house. A son, Robert Revell, was Mayor of Woodstock in 1876 and 1877. Mr. Ben C. Parker, Mayor in 1926-27, resided in this house for several years.