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**Woodstock**

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*Oxford*

February 23, 1993

Ontario Heritage Foundation  
77 Bloor Street, West  
Toronto, Ontario

Gentlemen:

Re: BY-LAW NUMBER 7014-93

Attached, for your records, please find a certified copy of By-law Number 7014-93, designating the property known as Perry Street Fire Hall, Woodstock, Ontario

The by-law is presently being registered in the Land Registry Office.

Yours truly,

*Louise Gartshore*

Louise Gartshore  
Assistant Clerk

LG/cc  
Enclosure

*N.B. partially repealed in '94  
By-Law 94-7136*

THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF WOODSTOCK

By-law Number 7014-93

A by-law to designate the lands and buildings commonly known as the Perry Street Fire Hall of architectural and historic value.

WHEREAS The Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1980, Chapter 337 authorizes the Council of the municipality to enact by-laws to designate real property, including all the buildings and structures thereon, to be of historical or architectural value or interest, and

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

WHEREAS pursuant to this Act, a Notice of Intention to Designate was placed in the paper for three consecutive weeks, and

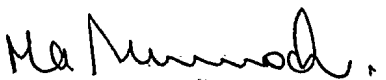
WHEREAS no person has come forth either in writing or in person to object to the designation as set forth.

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

1. There is designated as being of architectural and historical value the real property commonly known as the Perry Street Fire Hall, more particularly described in Schedule "A" hereto.
2. That designation shall apply to the exterior as outlined in Schedule "B".
3. That a copy of this by-law shall be registered on title against the property described in Schedule "A" hereto in the Land Registry Office of the County of Oxford.
4. 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 18th day of February, 1993.

READ a third time and finally passed this 18th day of February, 1993.

  
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Mayor

  
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Clerk

SCHEDULE "A"

DESCRIPTION:

Part of Lot 4, North of Simcoe Street, Plan 26, in the City of Woodstock and County of Oxford being more particularly described as follows:

COMMENCING in the eastern boundary of Lot 4 at a point 54.5 feet north from the south-east angle of the said Lot;

THENCE northerly along the eastern boundary of said Lot 4, a distance of 130 feet;

THENCE westerly parallel with the southern boundary of said Lot 4, a distance of 99 feet more or less to a point in the western boundary of the said Lot 4;

THENCE southerly along the western boundary of Lot 4, a distance of 130 feet;

THENCE easterly parallel with the southern boundary of Lot 4, a distance of 99 feet more or less to the point of commencement.

## SCHEDULE "B"

### PERRY STREET FIRE HALL

#### HISTORICAL

The building has historical importance in the life of Woodstonians, dating from the time of its construction in 1900. In the Depression years, firemen set up a soup kitchen there for the destitute. For years they collected and repaired toys at Christmas for needy children. The space to the south of the firehall featured, at one time, an open-air public skating rink. The bell in the tower used to ring nightly at 9 p.m. as a curfew, when a child was lost, and when any emergency threatened. The building has been part of the fabric of education in Woodstock for generations; most people who grew up here remember those impressive firehall trips that were tradition in the grade school curriculum. Probably no other building can match the firehall for the spectacle it has always been part of (bells and sirens, horses and dalmations, shining engines, speeding exits), and for emotions such as thrill, fear, and courage that a fire causes. In short, no other municipal building holds so much historical meaning.

#### ARCHITECTURAL

With its stone foundation, massive brick walls, round-headed windows and open bell-tower, this building is a rare example of Romanesque Revival architecture. Of the ten Victorian county/municipal buildings which form such an important part of the city's heritage, it is the only example of this important style.

Features to be designated:

- all exterior walls and openings, collection for the down spouts, metal cornice below eaves;
- interior tongue and groove suspended ceiling;
- all windows except west side.