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IN THE MATTER OF THE ONTARIO HERITAGE ACT R.S.O. 1990, CHAPTER 0.18 AND 76 ST. CLAIR AVENUE WEST ~ CITY OF TORONTO, PROVINCE OF ONTARIO

NOTICE OF PASSING OF BY-LAW

To:



Ontario Heritage Foundation 10 Adelaide Street East Toronto, Ontario M5C 1J3

Take notice that the Council of the Corporation of the City of Toronto has passed By-law No. 1995-0538 to designate 76 St. Clair Avenue West (Anglo-Canada Insurance Company) as being of architectural value or interest.

Dated at Toronto this 25th day of August, 1995.

Barbara G. Caplan

City Clerk

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No. 1995-0538. A BY-LAW

To designate the property at 76 St. Clair Avenue West as being of architectural value or interest.

(Passed August 14, 1995.)

WHEREAS by Clause 6 of Neighbourhoods Committee Report No. 10, adopted by Council at its meeting of August 14, 1995, authority was granted to designate the property at 76 St. Clair Avenue West as being of architectural value or interest;

AND WHEREAS the Ontario Heritage Act authorizes the council of a municipality to enact by-laws to designate real property, including all the buildings and structures thereon, to be of architectural value or interest:

AND WHEREAS the Council of The Corporation of the City of Toronto has caused to be served upon the owners of the land and premises known as No. 76 St. Clair Avenue West and upon the Ontario Heritage Foundation, a notice of intention to designate the property and has caused the notice of intention to be published in a newspaper having general circulation in the municipality once for each of three consecutive weeks as required by the *Ontario Heritage Act*;

AND WHEREAS the reasons for designation are set out in Schedule "B" of this by-law;

AND WHEREAS no notice of objection to the proposed designation has been served upon the clerk of the municipality;

THEREFORE the Council of The Corporation of the City of Toronto enacts as follows:

- 1. The property at 76 St. Clair Avenue West, more particularly described and shown on Schedules "A" and "C" to this by-law, is designated as being of architectural value or interest.
- 2. The City Solicitor is authorized to cause a copy of this by-law to be registered against the property described in Schedules "A" and "C" to this by-law in the proper Land Registry Office.
- 3. The City Clerk is authorized to cause a copy of this by-law to be served upon the owner of the property at 76 St. Clair Avenue West and upon the Ontario Heritage Foundation and notice of this by-law to be published in a newspaper having general circulation in the City of Toronto as required by the Ontario Heritage Act.

BARBARA HALL, *Mayor*.

BARBARA G. CAPLAN

City Clerk.

Council Chamber, Toronto, August 14, 1995. (L.S.)

SCHEDULE "A"

In the City of Toronto, in the Municipality of Metropolitan Toronto and Province of Ontario, being composed of parts of Lots 43 and 44 on the East side of Marlborough Crescent, now Deer Park Crescent, according to Plan 365 registered in the Land Registry Office for the Metropolitan Toronto Registry Division (No. 64), designated as PARTS 1 and 2 on a plan of survey deposited in the said Land Registry Office as 64R-14708.

The hereinbefore described land being delineated by heavy outline on Plan SYE2789 dated August 3, 1995 as set out in Schedule "C".

SCHEDULE "B"

The property at 76 St. Clair Avenue West is identified for architectural reasons. The Anglo Canada Insurance Company Building was constructed in 1954 as the head office of the Anglo Canada Fire and General Insurance Company according to the designs of Toronto architect James A. Murray.

The Anglo Canada Insurance Company Building is a carefully crafted high rise building displaying the construction techniques and materials associated with the International Style as interpreted in Toronto after the Second World War. Featuring a complex composition of geometric forms, the building is constructed of concrete, steel, brick, aluminum and glass. The different components of the plan are organized according to function: a single-storey podium, containing the entrance and commercial areas, forms the base for a six-storey flat-roof office tower. Significant features on the podium are the decorative brickwork and punched openings on the east half (the three windows are alterations), and the glazed walls and rooftop terrace on the west half. Important elements on the tower, which rises from and is cantilevered over the podium, are the curtain walls on three sides with alternating horizontal rows of glass and aqua-coloured aluminum panels in steel frames.

Located on the northeast corner of St. Clair Avenue West and Deer Park Crescent, the Anglo Canada Insurance Company Building is an integral part of a collection of high rise buildings along St. Clair Avenue west of Yonge Street. The building is an important example of the work of James A. Murray, the founder of The Canadian Architect periodical and a leading architect in post-war Toronto. An early sample of mixed used planning in the city, the development blends corporate offices, commercial office space and retail areas. The Anglo Canada Insurance Company Building is a significant illustration of the International Style featuring one of the first curtain walls constructed in Toronto.

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