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## The Corporation of the City of Hamilton

BY-LAW NO. 78- 7

To Designate:

Municipal No. 95 Arkledun Avenue  
Rock Castle

as Property of

HISTORIC AND ARCHITECTURAL VALUE AND INTEREST

WHEREAS the Council of The City of Hamilton did give notice of its intention to designate No. 95 Arkledun Avenue in accordance with subsection 3 of section 29 of The Ontario Heritage Act, 1974, S.O. 1974, Chapter 122;


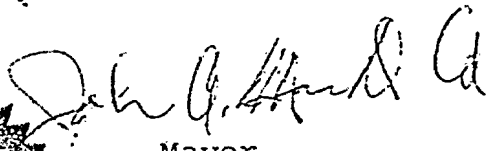
AND WHEREAS no notice of objection was served on the Clerk of the City of Hamilton;

AND WHEREAS it is desired to designate No. 95 Arkledun Avenue in accordance with clause (a) of subsection 6 of section 29 of The Ontario Heritage Act, 1974.

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

1. The property known as No. 95 Arkledun Avenue and more particularly described in Schedule "A" hereto annexed is hereby designated as property of historic and architectural value and interest.
2. The City Solicitor is hereby authorized and directed to cause a copy of this by-law, together with reasons for the designation set out in Schedule "B" to be registered against the property affected in the proper registry office.
3. The City Clerk is hereby authorized and directed,
  - (i) to cause a copy of this by-law, together with reasons for the designation to be served on the owners and The Ontario Heritage Foundation;
  - (ii) to publish a notice of this by-law in a newspaper having general circulation in the Municipality of the City of Hamilton.

PASSED this 10th day of January A.D. 1978.

  
City Clerk  
Mayor

CERTIFIED A TRUE COPY

  
CITY CLERK

## SCHEDULE "A"

TO

BY-LAW NO. 78-7

All and singular that certain parcel or tract of land and premises, situate, lying and being in the City of Hamilton, in the Regional Municipality of Hamilton-Wentworth, in the Province of Ontario and being composed of part of Lots 16 and 17, part of Family Burial Grounds and part of the un-numbered parcel between Lot 17 and Family Burial Grounds, east of John Street between St. Joseph's Drive and Arkledun Avenue, according to R. J. Hamilton Survey registered in the Land Registry Office for the Registry Division of Wentworth as Plan No. 1431 and which said parcel may be more particularly described as follows:-

Premising that the southern limits of Lots 16 and 17 aforesaid have an astronomic bearing of North  $74^{\circ} 10'$  West, and relating all bearings herein thereto.

Commencing at a point in the southern limit of Lot 16 aforesaid, said limit being also the northern limit of Arkledun Avenue, distant therein South  $74^{\circ} 10'$  East, Seventy-eight point six five (78.65') feet from the intersection of the western limit of Lot 16 with the said northern limit of Arkledun Avenue.

Thence continuing South  $74^{\circ} 10'$  East, along the said northern limit of Arkledun Avenue, One hundred and twenty-four point five seven (124.57') feet.

Thence North  $16^{\circ} 06'$  East, Ninety-two point five three (92.53') feet.

Thence North  $19^{\circ} 53' 30''$  East, Twenty-one point two five (21.25') feet more or less to the southern limit of St. Joseph's Drive.

Thence North  $57^{\circ} 31' 30''$  West along the said southern limit of St. Joseph's Drive, One hundred and twenty-five point two two (125.22') feet.

Thence South  $18^{\circ} 20'$  West, One hundred and forty-nine point seven two (149.72') feet more or less to the point of commencement.

## SCHEDULE "B"

TO

BY-LAW NO. 78- 7

The exterior of this property is recommended for conservation as property having historic and architectural value or interest by the Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee of the City of Hamilton, in the "Architectural Review and Evaluation Report" prepared by Professor Anthony Adamson, and in "Victorian Architecture in Hamilton", published by the Architectural conservancy of Ontario and written by Professor A. G. McKay.

The building is of considerable architectural significance. Built in 1848, it was fashioned in the Picturesque style, incorporating Gothic Revival elements such as elaborately carved bargeboards, eave brackets, clustered chimneys and trefoil windows. The stonework is also notable as in the beautifully carved label molds over the windows. Rock Castle is irregular in its number of levels (3 storeys on the Bay side and 2 on the Mountain), and is set at a right angle to the street. A unique feature of the building is its free-standing two-storey privy, once connected to the house at the second storey level by an open bridge.

Rock Castle is of historical significance, having been owned originally by Alexander Carpenter of the foundry company, Gurney and Carpenter. The home was owned at various times by John Brown, the Honourable Donald McInnes, Frank Merrick and H. G. Paterson. When Thomas Robertson, M.P. (later Judge), owned the property, he changed the name to Rannoch Lodge in honour of his Scottish ancestry.