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THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF LONDON



DEPARTMENT OF THE CITY CLERK
K.W. SADLER, CITY CLERK


REGISTERED

September 6, 1991

Ontario Heritage Foundation
2nd Floor, 77 Bloor St. W.
Toronto, Ontario
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Re: Designation of 186 Waterloo Street
The Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1980, c. 337

Please find enclosed, a certified copy of By-law No. L.S.P.-3125-276, entitled "A by-law to designate 186 Waterloo Street to be of architectural value", passed by the Municipal Council of The Corporation of the City of London on September 3, 1991 and registered as Instrument No. 895956 on September 6, 1991.

for 
R.J. Tolmie
Assistant City Clerk

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By-law No. L.S.P.-3125-276

A by-law to designate 186 Waterloo Street to be of architectural and historic value.

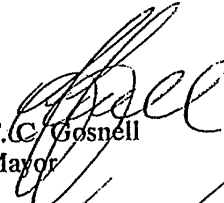
WHEREAS pursuant to The Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1980, c. 337, the Council of a municipality may by by-law designate a property including buildings and structures thereon to be of historic or architectural value or interest;

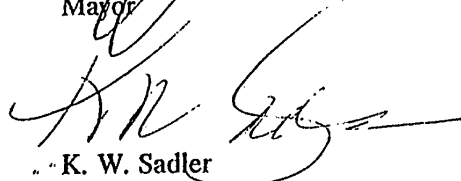
AND WHEREAS notice of intention to so designate the property known as 186 Waterloo Street has been duly published and served and no notice of objection to such designation has been received;

The Municipal Council of The Corporation of the City of London enacts as follows:

1. There is designated as being of architectural and historic value or interest, the real property at 186 Waterloo Street, more particularly described in Schedule "A" hereto, for the reasons set out in Schedule "B" hereto.
2. The City Clerk is authorized to cause a copy of this by-law to be registered upon the title to the property described in Schedule "A" hereto 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 aforesaid property and upon the Ontario Heritage Foundation and to cause notice of this by-law to be published in the London Free Press, and to enter the description of the aforesaid property, the name and address of its registered owner, and short reasons for its designation in the Register of all properties designated under The Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1980.
4. This by-law comes into force on the day it is passed.

PASSED in Open Council on September 3, 1991.


T.C. Gosnell
Mayor


K. W. Sadler
City Clerk

First reading - September 3, 1991
Second reading - September 3, 1991
Third reading - September 3, 1991

SCHEDULE "A"

To By-law No. L.S.P.-3125-276

All and Singular that certain parcel or tract of land and premises situate, lying and being in the City of London, in the County of Middlesex and being composed of part of Lot Number Six on the north side of East Grey Street in the said City of London, which may be known and described as follows:

Commencing at the south west angle of the said Lot on the corner of Waterloo and East Grey Streets;

Thence running easterly along the southerly limit of said lot 6 being the north side of East Grey Street eighty-six feet more or less to a point forty-six feet west of the Easterly limit of the said Lot;

Thence northerly parallel with the westerly limit of the said Lot a distance of 118.27 feet to a point;

Thence easterly parallel to the northerly limit of the said Lot, forty-three feet to a point;

Thence northerly parallel to the westerly limit of said lot 6 being the east side of Waterloo Street, forty-seven feet more or less to the northerly limit of said lot being the north east angle of that part of said Lot conveyed to the Trustees of Chalmers Presbyterian Church by registered Deed No. 42071;

Thence westerly on a line parallel to the southerly limit of said lot 6 being the northerly limit of East Grey Street and following the line of a certain fence, 129 feet more or less to the westerly limit of said lands being the easterly limit of Waterloo Street;

Thence southerly along the westerly limit of said lot 6, being the easterly limit of Waterloo Street, 165.17 feet more or less to the place of beginning.

As described in instrument number 113817.

SCHEDULE "B"

To By-law No. L.S.P.-3125-276

Historical Reasons

The small brick building at 186 Waterloo Street is perhaps London's earliest surviving educational structure. It was built in 1864 and served for 35 years as one of London's ward schools. The Rev. Benjamin Cronyn was appointed Superintendent of Education for London in 1842 and was ordered to divide the town for school purposes. He simplified his work by constituting each ward a school district. This building, constructed to accommodate the school age children of the ward, reflects this fundamental reform. Hundreds of London's children entered the school system through this primary school and then went on to the Central Union School to be prepared for high school entrance.

The school was closed in 1890 and served as the first church of the Chalmers Presbyterian congregation. Subsequent congregations used the building for teaching Sunday School, which remains its primary function today. When the school closed, the pupils were divided between what was then known as the Simcoe Street Model School (later Governor Simcoe) and Hamilton Road School (later Lord Aberdeen).

Schedule "B" (cont'd)
To By-law No. L.S.P.-3125-276

Architectural Reasons

The building is a well proportioned Ontario cottage with gothic elements. The ward school prototype was designed by the City Engineer's Office, probably by the City's first engineer, William Robinson. The spacious interior reflects the fact that there were approximately 70 children per teacher. Many of the original architectural features such as the finials, lintels, windows and louvres are still in situ though in poor condition. The original roof was wood shingle. The original 6 over 6 windows are quite large and intended for an institutional use.