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September 15, 2006

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

401 Huron Street London ON N5Y 4J2

Designation of 401 Huron Street Re: The Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. 0.18

Please find enclosed, for your information, a certified copy of By-law No. L.S.P.-3385-596, entitled "A bylaw to designate 401 Huron Street to be of historical and contextual value, passed by the Municipal Council of the Corporation of the City of London on August 28, 2006 and registered as Instrument No ER456827 on September 12, 2006.

The London Advisory Committee on Heritage will be contacting you at a later date to determine whether or not you wish to have a plaque mounted on this building to designate it as a site of historical value.

Sincerely,

Kevin Bain

City Clerk

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Encl.

- R. Cerminara, Building Division, Room 710 cc: C. Nelson, Planning Division, Room 603
 - L. Fisher, Committee Secretary, Room 308

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Bill No. 396 2006

By-law No. L.S.P.-3385-596

A by-law to designate 401 Huron Street to be of historical and contextual value or interest.

WHEREAS pursuant to the *Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. 0.18*, the Council of a municipality may by by-law designate a property including buildings and structures thereon to be of historic and contextual value or interest;

AND WHEREAS notice of intention to so designate the property known as 401 Huron Street has been duly published and served and no notice of objection to such designation has been received;

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

1. There is designated as being of historical and contextual value or interest, the real property at the 401 Huron 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*.

This by-law comes into force on the day it is passed.

PASSED in Open Council on August 28, 2006.

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Anne Marie DeCicco-Best Mayor

Kevin Bain City Clerk

London

CITY OF LONDON BY-LAW CERTIFICATION RECORD

I, James C. Purser, Manager of Records and Information Services, of The Corporation of the-City of London, hereby certify that the document hereunder is a true copy of By-law No. L.S.P.-3385-596 passed by Municipal Council on August 28, 2006.

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Dated at London, Ontario, this 14th day of September, 2006.

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First Reading - August 28, 2006 Second Reading - August 28, 2006 Third Reading - August 28, 2006

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SCHEDULE "A" To By-law No. L.S.P.-3385-596

Part of Lot 45, East of Colborne Street, in the City of London and County of Middlesex as in Instrument 805396.

SCHEDULE "B" To By-law No. L.S.P.-3385-596

Reasons for Designation - 401 Huron Street

(revised 10 April 2006)

401 Huron Street is recommended for designation under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act as a building of cultural heritage value. It is an excellent example of the Georgian Revival style characterized by its symmetrical design, five bay facade and six paneled front door.

Historical Reasons

This home was the first on the block east of Colborne Street, which was then the north edge of the city. It was built in 1937-38 by Harry Sifton, founder of what is now Sifton Properties Ltd. Early residents were, briefly, Richard A. Hunt, Traffic Assistant for Bell Telephone, Walter Blackburn of the London Free Press, followed by Alan Milsap of Standard Drugs and Professor William Dale of the University of Western Ontario. All represent the upper-middle class residents of the development of the north end of the city.

Architectural Reasons

The house is a two storey, wide clapboard building in the Georgian Revival style. It has an impressive classical doorway with pilasters on the door surround. The pilasters have a plain base, a shaft ornamented by a square indented block above a fluted panel pointed at both ends and a capital decorated with a horizontal moulding. There is horizontal fluting on the lintel. The entablature is divided into an architrave; frieze and cornice extending across the top of the doorway. The door has six panels of varying length which is characteristic of the Georgian Style. The windows on the front façade are eight over eight, with the upper windows being shorter than the lowers. Above the upper windows, extending from the top of the windows on the front and some on the west and rear façades have shutters. The eaves on both sides are flush with the side of the house.

A cross gable extension to the south was originally a garage on the ground floor with a study above the garage. The garage was later converted to a den.

Interior features of note are the Adam style fireplace surround and mantel and the staircase with the square paneled newel post, slender handrail and square spindles.

At the south end of the lot is a play house made of the same clapboard as the main house and built at the same time. It has a dutch door facing east and a small window on the north and south side walls.

Contextual Reasons

401 Huron Street anchors the southeast corner of Huron and Colborne Streets and is part of the streetscape of custom houses built during the nineteen thirties and forties for the upper middle class at the north border of London.