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

527 Grey Street London, Ontario N6B 1H4

Re: Designation of 527 Grey Street

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.-3369-152, entitled "A by-law to designate 527 Grey Street to be of historical and contextual value or interest", passed by the Municipal Council of the Corporation of the City of London on May 2, 2005 and registered as Instrument No. ER355799 on May 11, 2005.

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 and contextual value or interest.

Kevin Bain City Clerk

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Encl.

cc:

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By-law No. L.S.P.-3369-152

A by-law to designate 527 Grey 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 527 Grey 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 527 Grey 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 May 2, 2005.

Anne Marie DeCicco Mayor

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Kevin Bain City Clerk

SCHEDULE "A" To By-law No. L.S.P.-3369-152

Part of Lot 22, South Side of Grey Street East, on Registered Plan 178(E) in the City of London and County of Middlesex being the East Half of the Lot."

SCHEDULE "B" To By-law No. L.S.P.-3369-152

Reasons for Designation - 527 Grey Street

Built circa 1881, this house is a good example of an Ontario cottage featuring unusually good proportions.

Historical

The first recorded inhabitant was James E. Keenleyside. The Keenleyside family in 1878 formed the partnership of Perrin & Keenleyside, wholesale bakers and confectioners. This partnership dissolved two years later with James Keenleyside becoming partner in Hourd, Keenleyside and McKay Baby Carriage Mfg., also known at the time as Dominion Baby Carriage, London's first baby buggy manufacturer. By 1918 James E. Keenleyside was the chief License Inspector for London & Middlesex County.

Architectural

This Ontario cottage has an excellent symmetrical three bay design. The exterior walls and foundation are made of early London white brick. Original serpentine gingerbread ending in leaves adorns the front gable. The window in the front gable has a semi-circular brick arch. The large front windows are each headed by segmental arch made of brick voussoirs. Inside the living room an original oak fireplace and mantel remain in near mint condition.

The east elevation features a three-window bay with a gable above; unusual in Ontario cottages. The windows in the bay are headed with brick voussoirs similar to the front windows. The gable is supported by a pair of intricate brackets at each corner and the gable face features shingle cladding with diamond-patterned blocking in the peak supported by brackets each side of the attic window. The gable fascia includes a detailed fluted pattern in place of the gingerbread found on the front gable.

Context

The house sits on one of the last oversized lots of land in the neighbourhood allowing it to stand out and noticeably enhancing the streetscape.