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Ontario Heritage Foundation Heritage Community Recognition Program Suite 302 - 10 Adelaide Street East Toronto, Ontario M5C 1J3



Dear Sir or Madam:

RE: Wilton Wesleyan Methodist Church - Notice and (Draft)By-law 2001-31

The Corporation of Loyalist Township proposes to amend Heritage Designation By-law 90-49 to include Schedule "B". The intent of this schedule is to clarify the designated exterior and interior historical features and to add the historical significance of the Wilton Wesleyan Methodist Church, as per Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, as amended.

I have provided a copy of the notice and draft By-law 2001-31 for your files.

I will provide a passed and signed copy of By-law 2001-31 as soon as possible.

If you have questions on this matter, please do not hesitate in contacting me.

Yours truly,

Tim Fisher, CPT Planning Technician planningtech@loyalist-township.on.ca

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NOTICE

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DESCRIPTION

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The property involved is described as being in Loyalist Township (formerly Ernestown Township) in the County of Lennox and Addington and the Province of Ontario and being composed of Part of Lot 39, Concession 6 of the said Township and is known as 251 Simmons Road (Wilton).

SCHEDULE "B"

REASON FOR DESIGNATION

The full exterior and significant features of the interior of the former Wilton Wesleyan Methodist Church are recommended for designation for historical and architectural reasons. This church, built in 1873, is a fine example of the Gothic style carried out using local craftsmanship and materials. Interior renovations of about 1900 show continuation traditions in the building trades and express the important role of the church for its congregation.

The building was dedicated in February 1874 as a Wesleyan Methodist Church and from 1925 to 1968, it served as a United Church. Although closed as a church in 1968, the building, now owned by the Wilton Women's Institute, continues to serve the area as an active meeting place and polling site during elections.

For the purpose of this notice, the following has been abbreviated:

EXTERIOR FEATURES

Features are to include the use of stone (blue limestone), buttressed tower topped by battlements joining decorative pinnacles, the bell, front entrance, window openings, wall corner buttresses, lead stained glass windows, and a memorial window (front of church).

INTERIOR FEATURES

Features are to include the original interior woodwork, rear gallery closed with removable panel doors, plastered walls, plastered ceiling and a decorative pressed copper ceiling in the main hall.

QUESTIONS AND/OR COMMENTS

ANY questions on this matter should be directed to Murray Beckel, Planner, at (613) 352-3361.

DATED at the Loyalist Township this <u>13th</u> day of <u>June 2001</u>.

Brenda Hamilton, C.M.O. Clerk Loyalist Township 263 Main Street P.O. Box 70 Odessa, Ontario K0H 2H0