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CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF PRESCOTT

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TEL.: (613) 925-2812

December 3, 1985

Ontario Heritage Foundation 77 Bloor St. W. TORONTO, Ontario M7A 2R9

Dear Sir:

Re: DESIGNATION OF MUNICIPAL PROPERTIES IN PRESCOTT

Pursuant to Section 29 (6) of the Ontario Heritage Act, enclosed are certified copies of By-Laws 50-85 to 54-85 of the Corporation of the Town of Prescott.

These By-Laws designate five properties as being of architectural and historical value or interest.

Yours very truky,

Arie Hobgenboom, A.M.C.T.

Clerk Co-Ordinator

CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF PRESCOTT

BY-LAW NO. 52-85

BEING A BY-LAW TO DESIGNATE THE PROPERTY KNOWN MUNICIPALLY AS
THE RECTORY OF THE CHURCH OF ST. MARK THE EVANGELIST
160 DIBBLE STREET WEST, PRESCOTT

AS BEING OF ARCHITECTURAL AND HISTORICAL VALUE OR INTEREST.

WHEREAS Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act, Chapter 337 R.S.O. 1980 authorizes the Council of a Municipality to enact By-Laws to designate real property, including all buildings and structures thereon, to be of architectural or historic value or interest;

AND WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Prescott has caused to be served on the owners of the lands and premises known as The Rectory of the Church of St. Mark the Evangelist 160 Dibble Street West, Prescott

and upon the Ontario Heritage Foundation, notice of intention to so designate the aforesaid real property and has caused such notice of intention to be published in a newspaper having general circulation in the Municipality once for each of three consecutive weeks;

AND WHEREAS no notice of objection to the proposed designation has been served on the Clerk of the Municipality;

THEREFORE the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Prescott enacts as follows:

- 1) There is designated as being of Architectural and Historical value or interest the real property known as The Rectory of the Church of St. Mark the Evangelist, 160 Dibble Street West, Prescott more particularly described in Schedule A hereto.
- 2) That the Clerk is hereby authorized to cause a copy of this By-Law together with the reasons for designation as detailed in Appendix A to be registered against the property described in Schedule A hereto in the local Land Registry Office.
- 3) That the Clerk is hereby authorized to cause a copy of this By-Law to be served on the owner of the aforesaid property and on the Ontario Heritage Foundation and to cause notice of this By-Law to be published in a newspaper having general circulation in the Town of Prescott

Read a first and second time this 2nd day of December,

Read a third time and finally passed this 2nd day of December

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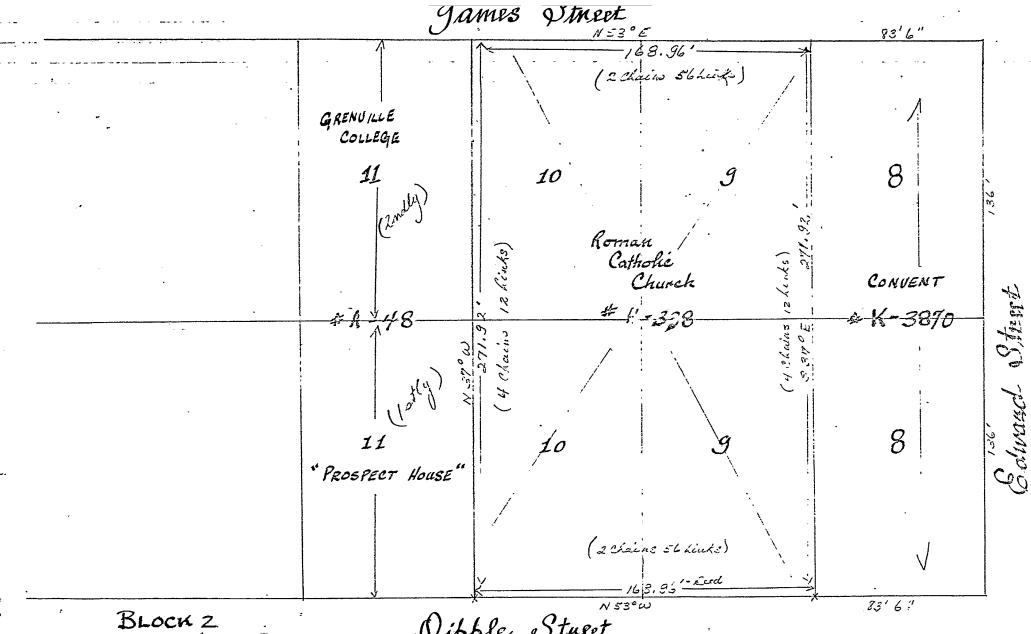
MAYOR

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CLERK

SCHEDULE "A" TO BYLAW 52-85

LOT 11, North Side of Dibble Street, BLOCK 2, TOWN OF PRESCOTT, PLAN #19 and being the same lands as previously described in Instrument #A-48 (firstly).



PLAN # 19 PRESCOTT

Dibble Street

APPENDIX A TO BY-LAW 52-85

Designation Report of LACAC of Prescott

Building - Rectory of Church of St. Mark the Evangelist

Location - 160 Dibble St. West, Prescott.

Lot 11 on the north side of Dibble Street.

Date of Report - 1 October 1985. Prepared by: T.Craig

A. Reasons for Designation

The Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee recommends that the Rectory of St. Mark's Roman Catholic Church be designated under the Ontario Heritage Act, 1974, for the following historical and architectural reasons:

- 1. The home was built by Rev. Father J. W. Campion, who was the Prescott Parish Friest from 1832 to 1836. He built this house at the same time he built Grenville College. The College was located immediately behind Father Campion's home on the south side of James Street.
- 2. This home, along with The Roman Catholic Church and The Samuel Crane House (St. Mark's Convent) make this part of Dibble Street a most attractive and historical area.

B. Historical Background

The land on which St. Mark's rectory is located was purchased from the Jessup estate by Rev. James W. Campion in 1833. A home was immediaely built on the Dibble Street property and a school building, known as Grenville College, was erected behind on James Street. Father Campion served as the headmaster of the College. There is ample evidence on hand that these two buildings were built in 1834 and 1835. For example a newspaper announcement which appeared in the local paper, The Vanguard, on 6 January 1836, stated that Grenville College was now open for the reception of students. In addition the following extract from "The Documentary History of Education in Upper Canada" 1831-1836, Vol 2, by George Hodgins, 1894, has this information: "At Prescott there is a Custom House and a very elegant stone building erected by the Catholic Clergyman, The Reverend J. W. Campion, and designated Grenville College. He has erected a splendid stone mansion for his own residence." It is apparent from the above that both the Roman Catholic Rectory, which was called Prospect House at that time, as well as the school, called Grenville College, were built during the period 1833 to 1835.

In 1845 Rev. James W. Campion died and title to both the above properties passed to Father Campion's two brothers, Fatrick and Thomas Campion.4

On 11 April 1848 the brothers put both the home and college up for sale.5

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Rectory of The Church of St. Mark the Evangelist - Continued

On 6 June 1848 the title to both properties passed to one brother, Patrick Campion. 4 On 18 September 1848 the title passed to the Roman Catholic Episcopal Diocese of Kingston.

C. Architectural Description

St. Marks Rectory appears to be a mix between Upper Canada Neo Classic architecture (1:10-1835) and Upper Canada Georgian (1785-1812). It is built of grey cut stone, is rectangular in snape and has a gentle sloping roof which runs the full width of the home to the front and back eaves. Two large internal stone chimneys are located at each end of the home. All windows are rectangular in shape, are long and narrow and are double hung. They were built in twos around the home. The window and door frames are made of wood and are painted white. An enclosed porch runs across the entire front of the house. This may have been an open porch at the time the home was built.

The Rectory is a most attractive home. It has been well maintained and blends in well with the adjacent structures on this street.

1. Brochure on Prescott prepared by Suzanne J. Dodge unler the Canada Community Development Program, 1982.

2. The newspaper notice which appeared in the Prescott Vanguard on 6 January 1836 stated: "Rev. James W. Campion of Prescott, having now completed the above named establishment, respectfully informs the public that it is now open for the reception of boarders and day scholars.

Signed for the proprietor John Dempsey.

Frescott 1 September 1835.

From the book "Built on a Rock" - The story of the Roman Catholic Church in Kingston 1826-1976 by It Col I. I. Flynn, This book

Church in Kingston 1826-1976 by Lt. Col. L. J. Flynn. This book was published by the Archdiocese of Kingston to commemorate the 150th Anniversary of the Founding of the Diocese, 27 Jan. 1976.

4. Grenville County Registry Office.

5. J.A.Morris - History of Frescott. P. 225 - Sale Ad shown.

6. Obtained from "An Elementary Simplistic Graphic Analysis of 19th Century Styles of domestic Architecture in Ontario." This was prepared for a symposium sponsored jointly by Frontenac Historic Foundation, Heritage Canada and Ontario Heritage Foundation and held in Kingston, Ont. Sept. 9-12, 1976.