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**THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF BRANTFORD**

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Mr. R. Alway, Chairman  
The Ontario Heritage Foundation  
77 Bloor Street West, Second Floor  
TORONTO, Ontario  
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Dear Mr. Alway:

RE: DESIGNATION OF 36 WILLIAM STREET, BRANTFORD, ONTARIO

Please be advised that Bylaw 129-91 (certified copy enclosed) of the City of Brantford, being a bylaw to designate the house at 36 William Street, Brantford, Ontario, was adopted on August 6, 1991. A copy of this Bylaw, along with an agreement regarding the mounting of a heritage plaque, will be registered at the Land Registry Office. Following this action, the designation process will be complete under the Ontario Heritage Act.

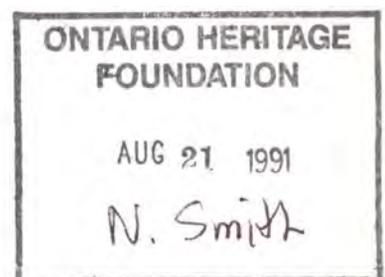
Yours truly,

  
W. COULSON  
CITY CLERK

Encl.

cc: Matthew Reniers, Senior Planner, Policy & Programs

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I certify that this is a true and correct copy of Bylaw No. 129-91, passed by the Council of The Corporation of the City of Brantford at its meeting held on

BYLAW NO. 129-91  
-of-

THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF BRANTFORD

August 6, 1991

  
CITY CLERK

A Bylaw to designate the property located at 36 William Street, Brantford, as having 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 bylaws to designate real property, including all of the buildings or structures thereon, to be of historic or architectural value or interest;

AND WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the City of Brantford, on the recommendation of the Brantford Heritage Committee, has carried out the required Notice of Intention to Designate 36 William Street;

AND WHEREAS no notice of objection to the said designation has been served upon the Clerk of the Municipality;

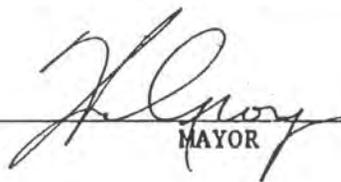
NOW THEREFORE THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF BRANTFORD ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

1. THAT there is designated as being of architectural and historical value the real property known as 36 William Street in the City of Brantford, as described in Schedule 'B' attached to and forming part of this Bylaw;
2. THAT the City Solicitor is hereby authorized to cause a copy of the Bylaw to be registered against the property described in Schedule 'A' attached hereto in the proper land registry office;
3. THAT the Clerk is hereby authorized to cause a copy of this Bylaw to be served on the registered owner of the aforesaid property and on the Ontario Heritage Foundation, and to carry out the public notice as required by Section 29 (6)(b) of the Ontario Heritage Act;
4. THAT the City shall enter into an agreement with the registered owner for the installation and maintenance of a plaque distinguishing the property as a designated structure.

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READ A SECOND TIME AUG 0 6 1991

PASSED AUG 0 6 1991

  
MAYOR

  
CLERK

THIS IS SCHEDULE "A" TO BYLAW NUMBER 129-91

DESCRIPTION:

ALL AND SINGULAR that certain parcel or tract of land and premises situate, lying and being in the City of Brantford, in the County of Brant, and being composed of Part of Lot Number Eight (8) on the west side of William Street and more particularly described as follows:

COMMENCING in the easterly limit of said lot at a point distant ten (10) feet northerly from the southeast angle of said lot;

THENCE westerly parallel with the southerly limit of said lot to within eighteen (18) feet of the centre line of the block;

THENCE northerly parallel with the westerly limit of said lot sixty (60) feet;

THENCE easterly parallel with the southerly limit of said lot to William Street aforesaid;

THENCE southerly along the west limit of William Street sixth (60) feet to the place of beginning.

TOGETHER WITH a right-of-way over the southerly ten (10) feet of Lot Eight (8) from front to rear as described in the grant of right-of-way registered as Number 16579 for the City of Brantford in the Registry Office for the Registry Division of Brant (No. 2).

Being the lands previously described and conveyed in Instrument Number 304282.

STATEMENT OF THE REASONS FOR  
THE DESIGNATION OF 36 WILLIAM STREET

The residence at 36 William Street was the home of John W. Downs, who was a councillor on Brantford's very first Town Council, elected in 1847. He was re-elected in 1848 and 1851. John Downs was elected acting Mayor of the first Town Council, and was a member of the Committee which penned the motto, "Industria and perseverantia" that forms part of the present seal of the City of Brantford.

John Downs was elected reeve for the Town of Brantford in 1852. In 1864, he was appointed magistrate for the County of Brant.

The residence was also home to Joseph Bowes, who was a City Alderman from 1884 to 1893.

The residence was built in 1860, and has been altered extensively from its original Italianate style. Currently, it is a single-family home, having a T-shaped plan and two storeys. The front has a three-bay facade, with the centre bay providing a single door entrance with a segmental transom. The classic revival era portico consists of two doric columns, two pilasters and simple entablature with segmental lines.

The entrance is flanked by bay windows, consisting each of three double-hung windows with segmental window surround at the head. The existing metal parapets above the bay windows are likely predated by an Italianate parapet with metal tracery. The centre upper window appears to have been an alteration, and is likely pre-dated by a full height double-hung window with segmental window surround at the head, as found on end bays. The low-hip roof (asphalt shingles with English Cottage-era centre gable) is altered at the cornice.

The existing aluminum soffit and fascia with wooden brackets are likely predated by an Italianate wood verge board at centre gable, a greater number of wood brackets and a wood frieze. The existing aluminum shutters are likely predated by segmental top wood shutters. The major portion of wall surfaces are faced with stucco, and it is presumed that the original surfaces consist of brick masonry. The asphalt shingled roof was likely predated by a slate roof finish.

The residence projects a dignified appearance which is in keeping with the general streetscape in the area.

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