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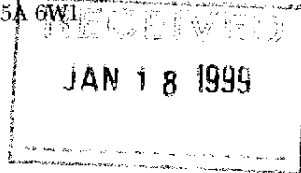
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**CONSERVATION REVIEW
BOARD**

January 11, 1999

Ontario Heritage Foundation
10 Adelaide Street East
TORONTO, Ontario M5C 1J3

Dear Sirs:

Re: 248 Ontario Street, Stratford

Enclosed is a copy of City of Stratford By-No. 159-98 designating the real property known municipally as 248 Ontario Street, Stratford, as being of architectural and historical value or interest. The by-law was registered on December 11, 1998 as instrument no. 0384622.

Yours truly,

Joan L. Thomson
Acting City Clerk

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Enc.



**BY-LAW NUMBER 159-98
OF THE CORPORATION OF
THE CITY OF STRATFORD**

BEING a by-law to designate the real property known municipally as 248 Ontario Street, Stratford as being of architectural and historical value or interest.

WHEREAS Section 29 of the *Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter O.18* authorizes the Council of a municipality to enact by-laws to designate real property including all buildings and structures thereon, to be of architectural and historical value or interest;

AND WHEREAS the Council of The Corporation of the City of Stratford has consulted with its Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee;

AND WHEREAS the Council of The Corporation of the City of Stratford has caused to be served upon The Ontario Heritage Foundation and the owners of the property known as 248 Ontario Street, Stratford, notice of its intention to so designate the aforesaid real property and has caused general circulation in the City of Stratford by publication of the notice of intention in a newspaper having general circulation in the municipality;

AND WHEREAS no written notice of objection to the proposed designation has been served on the Clerk of the Municipality within the prescribed time.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ENACTED by Council of The Corporation of the City of Stratford as follows:

1. That the real property known as 248 Ontario Street, in the City of Stratford is hereby designated as being of architectural and historical value or interest for the reasons described in Schedule "A" attached hereto.
2. The Municipal Solicitor is hereby authorized to cause a copy of this by-law to be registered in the proper land registry office against the property described in Schedule "B" attached hereto.
3. The Clerk is hereby authorized to cause a copy of this by-law to be served on The Ontario Heritage Foundation and the owner of the property and to cause notice of the passing of this by-law to be published in the Stratford Beacon Herald being a paper having a general circulation in the municipality.

Read a FIRST, SECOND and THIRD time and

FINALLY PASSED this 23rd day of November, 1998.

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**THIS IS SCHEDULE "A" TO BY-LAW NUMBER 159-98
OF THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF STRATFORD**

Reasons for the heritage designation of 248 Ontario Street, Stratford, Ontario:

The architectural style of Larkworthy House is essentially a hybrid, incorporating numerous stylistic characteristics from conventional styles of the time (circa 1920's and 1930's). Primary styles reflected include the Prairie/Craftsmen and the revival styles Tudor and Edwardian Classicism as seen in both exterior and some interior features and details

Overall, the residence exhibits the restraint and simplicity often associated with Edwardian Classicism. This is generally reflected through its simple composition and massing of form as well as in its interior spatial layout. Although devoid of classical detailing typically found in Edwardian Classicism, Tudor detailing is incorporated most obviously on the exterior as seen on the half-timbered gabled-end fronting Ontario Street and clipped roof found on both front and back gables.

Influences of the Prairie and Craftsmen Style (as influenced by the Arts and Crafts Movement) can be seen in the interior with applied wooded coffering on the ceiling of the front sitting room, living and dining rooms, as well as on the exterior through the use of generously dimensioned eaves surrounding the front porch. The exaggerated porch eaves and squat, tapered porch columns, accentuate the relatively wide unsupported porch expanse facing Ontario Street. This helps to reinforce the perception of horizontality for which the Prairie Style is noted. Finally, the Prairie Style's focus on geometric qualities in both design and form can be seen in some exterior detailing of the porch such as diamond and square shaped ornamental masonry pieces located on the top of the corner porch columns and around the porch respectively, as well as the leaded glass pane patterns found on numerous windows.

The styling of the house can be seen as a transition from revival styles such as Edwardian Classicism and Tudor to the more modern 20th century styles such as the Prairie and Craftsmen, which has been combined in an interesting and skillful manner by notable Stratford architect James Simpson Russell. Overall the residence represents an intact common residential home, typical of the period. The exterior structure has been well maintained and the interior upgrades have not degraded the home's architectural significance.

**THIS IS SCHEDULE "B" TO BY-LAW NUMBER 159-98
OF THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF STRATFORD
248 Ontario Street, Stratford**

Part of Lot 17, Registered Plan 20, City of Stratford, County of Perth designated as Part 4 according to Reference Plan 44R-2439.