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# CITY of STRATFORD

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CONSERVATION REVIEW

May 26, 2004

63 William Street STRATFORD ON N5A 4X9

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

Ministry of Citizenship, Culture and Recreation Heritage and Libraries Branch 400 University Avenue, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor TORONTO, Ontario M7A 2R9

Dear

Re: 63 William Street, Stratford

Enclosed is a copy of City of Stratford By-No. 62-2004 designating the real property known municipally as 63 William Street, Stratford, as being of architectural and historical value or interest. The by-law was registered electronically as instrument no. PC12800.

Yours truly,

/cw Enc. Joan L. Thomson City Clerk

Jan Mouss

cc:

Municipal Heritage Committee

8/23/04 PA LRO # 44 Application To Register Bylaw

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PIN

53123 - 0074 LT

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Fee Simple Lt Conversion Qualified

Description

PT LT 107 PL 20 STRATFORD; PT LT 88 PL 68 STRATFORD AS IN R371059; S/T

INTERESTS IN R371059; S/T DEBTS IN R129117; STRATFORD

Address

00063 WILLIAM STREET

STRATFORD

# Applicant(s)

This Order/By-law affects the selected PINs.

Name

THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF STRATFORD

Acting as a company

Address for Service

1 Wellington Street Stratford, Ontario N5A 2L3

This document is being authorized by a municipal corporation Daniel B. Mathieson, Mayor and Joan L. Thomson, Clerk.

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# Statements

This application is based on the Municipality By-Law No. 62-2004 dated 2004/04/13.

Schedule: See Schedules

# Signed By

Hugh Davidson McDonald

10 Downie St., 2nd floor Stratford N5A 7K4

acting for Applicant(s)

Signed

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#### BY-LAW NUMBER 62-2004 OF THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF STRATFORD

BEING a by-law to designate 63 William Street under Part IV of the *Ontario Heritage Act* 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 Municipal Heritage 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 63 William 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:

- That the real property known as 63 William 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.
- 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 newspaper having general circulation in the municipality.

Read a FIRST, SECOND and THIRD time and

FINALLY PASSED this 13th day of April, 2004.

Mayor - Daniel B. Mathleson

Clerk - Joan I. Thomson

## THIS IS SCHEDULE "A" TO BY-LAW NUMBER 62-2004

#### OF THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF STRATFORD

passed this 13th day of April, 2004.

#### Reasons for the heritage designation of 63 William Street:

#### ARCHITECTURAL DETAILS:

Gothic Revival Style; very good example compared to buildings of similar style designated in Stratford; excellent remaining example of board and batten construction; excellent proportions; building has excellent visual quality; excellent attention to details in construction; original except for east side second storey which is a slightly later addition; addition very sympathetic to original; interior original, floor plan and trim; storm porch and lower front window beautiful design and well-kept; original front door and windows; original materials excellent; functional design of building excellent; quality of workmanship, handling of materials and state of repair excellent; building conspicuous and familiar in the neighbourhood; relationship to original site remains very high; one of original homes in area and on river; sets standard for quality of buildings to follow; one of few remaining frame buildings in city.

#### EXTERIOR ELEMENTS WORTHY OF DESIGNATION:

Entire board & batten exterior of house; original windows; "Stratford storm porch" and adjoining veranda, posts and decorative brackets; earlier second storey dormers.

#### INTERIOR ELEMENTS WORTHY OF DESIGNATION:

Original doors and casings; original window casings and baseboards; staircase.

#### HISTORY OF HOUSE:

- Built 1875 by Thomas Todd. The Todd family were carpenters. Tax Assessment rolls indicate an addition to the house by John Gaudy circa 1887.
- Carolynn Bart-Riedstra states that this home has been on the archives and Heritage Stratford list of desirable homes to designate for 20 years.
- She also states that we are losing our early board and batten homes and that this is a desirable property to designate, particularly considering its prominent location on Lake Victoria.

#### OWNERS OF THE HOUSE:

- The Todd family (built by them) 1875-1880
- The Gaudy family 1881-1959
- The Posliff family 1961-Present
- The house has been owned by only three families in 128 years. It has been a significant part of the streetscape for a very long time.
- Thomas Todd, the builder of the house is mentioned in Tax Assessment rolls in Stratford as early as 1859 and may have been a lot owner (as Thomas Tod) as early as 1858. (He owned property at that time on Douglas Street.
- William Todd, presumably his son, was in charge of the running shed of the Grand Trunk Railway in its early days. The running shed was formerly the Buffalo and Lake Huron freight shed. W.C. Todd was the son of William Todd. He was one of ten children in the family. He wrote a very
- interesting article about early days in Stratford in the Beacon in 1932. He moved to Manitoba but was part of Stratford's early history.
- John Gaudy (died Dec 12, 1889 at the age of 54 years) marble cutter
- He had a business in Stratford in the 1850's and 60's as a marble cutter, a creator of tombstones and a dealer in lime and cut stone. This was one of the earliest businesses of its kind in the city. Samples of his work may be seen in Avondale Cemetery. Ill health, which resulted from his occupation, caused
- or his work may be seen in Avondale Cemetery. In health, which resulted from his decupation, caused him to give up his business and become an employee of Gadsby and Sharman, marble cutters. He died at 63 William Street at the relatively young age of 54.

  Elizabeth Gaudy (wife of John Gaudy), died Jan 30, 1923. She lived in the house, after John's death, from 1889-1923. No occupation except widow of John is listed for her. This may indicate a certain prosperity on the part of her husband although she was obviously assisted by the work of her
- daughters (Jennie, a dressmaker and Jessie C. a school teacher at Romeo School for many years.)

  Jessie C. Gaudy daughter of John and Elizabeth school teacher at Romeo School

  That the family was somewhat prosperous and well-respected is indicated by the fact that she was elected President of the Women's Canadian Club in Stratford in the 1940's and Regent of a Stratford Chapter of the Imperial Order Daughters of the Empire (IODE), in the 1950's.

The property is currently owned by

# THIS IS SCHEDULE "B" TO BY-LAW NUMBER 62-2004

# OF THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF STRATFORD

passed this 13th day of April, 2004.

## 63 William Street, Stratford

West Part of Lot 107, Plan 20, as described in Instrument Number 0371059, City of Stratford, County of Perth.