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CITY of STRATFORD

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CONSERVATION REVIEW
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IN THE MATTER OF THE ONTARIO HERITAGE ACT SECTION 29, R.S.O. 1990, CHAPTER 0.18

And in the matter of the lands and premises
at the following municipal address in the
City of Stratford, in the Province of Ontario

NOTICE OF PASSING A DESIGNATING BY-LAW NO. 81-2003

TO:

310 Ontario Street
STRATFORD ON N5A 3H5

AND TO: Ontario Heritage Foundation
10 Adelaide Street East
TORONTO ON M5C 1J3

✓ Ministry of Citizenship, Culture & Recreation
Heritage & Libraries Branch
400 University Avenue, 4th Floor
TORONTO ON M7A 2R9

Take notice that the Council of the Corporation of the City of Stratford, at a meeting held on May 12, 2003 has designated the property at the following municipal address as a property of architectural and historical value or interest under Section 29, of the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter 0.18.

310 Ontario Street – Reasons for Designation

ARCHITECTURAL DETAILS:

Now a bed and breakfast but historical structure has been maintained; Italianate building; very well preserved or restored elements; 2 storey building; buff coloured brick in very good shape; original dentils and quoins; original cornice with returns; original windows; beautiful brickwork along roof line; centre hall; single storey bay window on southwest side and on east side; well-proportioned; charming relationship between its various elements; verandah on south side very well preserved and maintained; stone foundation; two over two windows; excellent example of the residence of a prosperous merchant in the late nineteenth, early twentieth century era reflecting Canada's post-Confederation prosperity; quality of workmanship and handling of materials in original building as well as the state of repair and restoration excellent; prominent and well situated; integrity of historical relationship between building and its associated landscape inevitably changed due to modern influences and a reduced lot size at rear but original character of building impressively maintained; important to streetscape particularly when it is considered that Ontario Street is the main street of Stratford; undoubtedly a dominant building in its area.

The general exterior components of the building that are recommended for designation are the brickwork, including original dentils and quoins, original windows (including existing bay window structure) and any existing storms, cornice and returns. More specifically, primary components of the verandah are designated as well, including columns, post and rails.

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Interior elements recommended for designation are: entire front staircase including the balustrade, balusters and newel posts; original plaster ceiling medallions: two in living room, one in front entrance hall, one in dining room; crown moulding and plaster ceiling mouldings in living room, plaster ceiling mouldings in front hall, plaster ceiling mouldings in dining room; original baseboards, window and door casements in living room, front hall and dining room.

HISTORY:

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Should you require additional information on this by-law, please contact the undersigned.

Dated at the City of Stratford
this 24th day of May, 2003


Joan L. Thomson - City Clerk



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TORONTO ON M5C 1J3

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Dear [REDACTED]

Re: 310 Ontario Street, Stratford

Enclosed is a copy of City of Stratford By-law No. 81-2003 designating the real property known municipally as 310 Ontario Street, Stratford, as being of architectural and historical value or interest. The by-law was electronically registered on May 16, 2003 as instrument no. PC2478.

Yours truly,

Joan Thomson

Joan L. Thomson, B.A., A.M.C.T.
City Clerk

/cw
Enc.

cc: Municipal Heritage Committee

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**BY-LAW NUMBER 81-2003
OF THE CORPORATION OF
THE CITY OF STRATFORD**

BEING a by-law to designate 310 Ontario 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 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 310 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 310 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 newspaper having general circulation in the municipality.

Read a FIRST, SECOND and THIRD time and

FINALLY PASSED this 12th day of May, 2003.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "D. [unclear]".

THIS IS SCHEDULE "A" TO BY-LAW 81-2003
OF THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF STRATFORD

passed this 12th day of May, 2003.

Reasons for the heritage designation of 310 Ontario Street:

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**THIS IS SCHEDULE "B" TO BY-LAW 81-2003
OF THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF STRATFORD
passed this 12th day of May, 2003.**

310 Ontario Street

**Part Lot 1, of RP 32, as described in Instrument Number 378961, City of Stratford, County of
Perth.**