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THE CORPORATION OF THE COUNTY OF PRINCE EDWARD

BY-LAW NO. 2578 - 2010

ONTARIO HERITAGE TRUST

**A BY-LAW TO DESIGNATE THE MERRILL HOUSE TO BE OF CULTURAL HISTORIC VALUE AND INTEREST PURSUANT TO PART IV OF THE ONTARIO HERITAGE ACT.**

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**WHEREAS** pursuant to the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990 c.0.18 the Council of a municipality may by by-law designate a property including buildings and structures thereon to be of cultural historic value and interest;

**AND WHEREAS** the Committee of the Whole, at their February 25, 2010 meeting recommended to County Council to designate the Merrill House as a property of cultural historic value and interest;

**AND WHEREAS** Notice of Intention to designate the property known as the Merrill House has been published and served in accordance with the provisions of the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990 and no notice of objection to the proposed designation has been received;

**NOW THEREFORE, UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF SECTION 29 OF THE ONTARIO HERITAGE ACT, R.S.O. 1990, THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE COUNTY OF PRINCE EDWARD ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:**

1. **THAT** the property known as the Merrill House and more particularly described in Schedule 'A' attached hereto and forming part of this by-law is hereby designated as being of cultural historic value and interest for the reasons set out in Schedule 'B' attached hereto and forming part of this by-law.
2. **THAT** the Clerk is hereby authorized to cause a copy of this By-law to be served on the owner of the property, 621256 Ontario Limited and on the Ontario Heritage Trust.
3. **THAT** the property be added to the Municipal Register referred to in Section 27(1) of the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990.
4. **THAT** notice of this By-law be published in a newspaper having general circulation in the municipality.
5. **THAT** the County Solicitor is hereby authorized to register a copy of this By-law against the real property as described in the foregoing in the Land Registry Office.
6. **THAT** the provisions of this by-law shall come into force and effect on the day of final passing thereof.

**THIS BY-LAW READ A FIRST, SECOND AND THIRD TIME AND FINALLY PASSED THIS 9<sup>th</sup> DAY OF March, 2010.**

  
Victoria Leskie, Clerk

  
Leo Finnegan, Mayor

**SCHEDULE 'A' TO BY-LAW NO. 2578 -2010**

**Property Description:**

The subject lands are described as Part of Lots 227, 228 & 229, Land Registrars Compiled Plan 24, civic address 343 Picton Main Street, Ward of Picton, in the Municipality of the County of Prince Edward.

## **SCHEDULE 'B' TO BY-LAW NO. 2578 -2010**

### **Reasons for Designation:**

#### **Cultural Heritage Value**

The Merrill House is a fine example of Victorian Gothic architecture. Its dramatic, three-story, triple-gabled tower and majestic design make it a landmark feature in Picton. The narrow windows, bargeboard trim and slender chimneys all add to the playful character of the building. The property has contextual value because it is important in defining, maintaining and supporting the character of the area of Picton Main Street east, which contains many large homes constructed for prominent residents of Picton in the latter half of the 19th Century.

#### **Cultural Heritage Attributes**

- Orientation facing Main Street
- Rooflines as seen from the front and side of the house
- Size, shape and position of windows, doors and balconies
- Bargeboard trim under the gables
- Chimneys
- Balconies and railings