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The Ontario Heritage Trust 10 Adelaide Street East Toronto, Ontario M5C 1J3

#### REGISTERED MAIL

RE: Miss Young's School, 630 King Street, Lot 22 RCP Niagara, Town of

Niagara-on-the-Lake

Notice of Passing of By-law No. 4850-15

Ontario Heritage Act, Part IV

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 29(6) (a) (ii) of the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter 0.18, please find enclosed a copy of:

By-law No. 4850-15, being a by-law to designate Miss Young's School, 630 King Street.

Sincerely yours,

Holly Dowd Town Clerk

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#### THE CORPORATION

## OF THE

#### **TOWN OF NIAGARA-ON-THE-LAKE**

## **BY-LAW NO. 4850-15**

(630 King Street, Roll No. 262701000207400)

A BY-LAW TO DESIGNATE THE PROPERTY KNOWN MUNICIPALY AS, MISS YOUNG'S SCHOOL, 630 KING STREET, IN THE TOWN OF NIAGARA-ON-THE-LAKE, IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO, AS BEING OF CULTURAL HERITAGE VALUE OR INTEREST.

WHEREAS Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter 0.18, authorizes the Council of a municipality to enact by-laws to designate real property, including all buildings and structures thereon, to be of cultural heritage value or interest; and

WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Niagara-on-the Lake has caused to be served on the owner of the lands and premises known as Miss Young's School, 630 King Street, in the Town of Niagara-on-the-Lake in the Province of Ontario and upon the Ontario Heritage Trust, notice of intention to so designate the aforesaid real property and has caused such notice of intention to be published in a newspaper having general circulation in the municipality; and

WHEREAS the reasons for designation are set out in Schedule 'B' hereto; and

**WHEREAS** no notice of objection to the proposed designation has been served on the clerk of the municipality;

THEREFORE the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Niagara-on-the-Lake enacts as follows:

- There is designated as being of cultural heritage value or interest the real property known as Miss Young's School, 630 King Street in the Town of Niagara-on-the-Lake in the Province of Ontario, more particularly described in Schedule 'A' hereto.
- The municipal solicitor is hereby authorized to cause a copy of this By-law to be registered against the property described in Schedule 'A' hereto.
- 3. The Clerk is hereby authorized to cause copy of this By-law to be served on the owners of the aforesaid property and on the Ontario Heritage Foundation and to cause notice of the passing of this By-law to be published in a newspaper having general circulation.

READ A FIRST, SECOND AND THIRD TIME AND PASSED ON THIS 14TH DAY OF DECEMBER, 2015.

LORD MAYOR PAT DARTE

TOWN CLERK HOLLY DOWD

#### SCHEDULE 'A'

PIN: 46403-0080 (LT)

Legal Description:

Lot 22 RCP 692 Niagara; NIAGARA-ON-THE-LAKE.

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## SCHEDULE 'B'

630 King Street, Miss Young's School

#### **Description of Property**

Miss Young's School is located at 630 King Street on the southern end of King Street, between Paffard and Cottage Streets in Old Town, Niagara-on-the-Lake.

## Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest

The cultural heritage value of the property at 630 King Street lies in its connection to early settlers in Niagara. The dwelling was constructed by George Young, master carpenter at Fort George who also supervised the construction and repair of Fort Erie and Fort York. He had been a private in the Lincoln Militia during the War of 1812, and was also a founding member of St. Andrew's Church. George Young acquired the lot from Walter Dickson. In 1825, Miss Young held a private school in the dwelling.

Miss Young's School is also of cultural heritage value because it is the last known log dwelling in Town and one of the earliest buildings. The one and a half storey dwelling represents a high degree of craftsmanship with its squared log construction with dove-tailed corners. The original form of the building has been well preserved over the years including the centered chimney with its three fireplaces and unique mantles. The exact age of the structure is unclear. It is possible that George Young built the dwelling before the War of 1812 as the log structure and interior details are pre-War in style. His 1815 war losses claim did not include a dwelling which could indicate that the house survived the 1813 burning of the Town by American forces. It is also possible that the house was built around 1816, as suggested in Janet Carnochan's *History of Niagara*, with salvaged materials from older buildings lost during the war.

#### **Description of Heritage Attributes**

Key exterior attributes that embody the heritage value of Miss Young's School as a rare and unique example of early architecture in Upper Canada include:

- · The original log structure
- Medium gabled roof with wood shingles
- Centred brick chimney stack
- Original three bay front façade in Georgian style
- The original doorcasing with narrow transom and neo-classical details
- Wood windows and openings

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- Wood clapboard siding on the exterior of the dwelling
- Original portion of wall from rear wing which has since disappeared

Key Interior attributes that embody the heritage value of the home as a representative example of early architecture in Niagara include its:

- Original post and beam structure
- · Original fireplace hearths and mantels
- Original pine floors
- Original rafter system with sawn logs

N.B. An old photograph shows a rear wing which has since disappeared, that housed a cooking fireplace, a bake oven, and built in cupboards. A small portion of the wall remains at the rear of the property.