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BY-LAW NUMBER 49-99

A by-law of The Corporation of the City of Ottawa to designate 73 First Avenue to be of historic and architectural value or interest;

WHEREAS the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. 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 historic and architectural value or interest;

AND WHEREAS the Council of The Corporation of the City of Ottawa has caused to be served upon the owners of the lands and premises known municipally as 73 First Avenue (more particularly described in Schedule "A" hereto), and upon the Ontario Heritage Foundation, notice of intention to so designate the aforesaid real property, and has caused such notice of intention to be published in the Ottawa Citizen and in Le Droit on February 12, 1999 newspapers having a general circulation in the City of Ottawa;

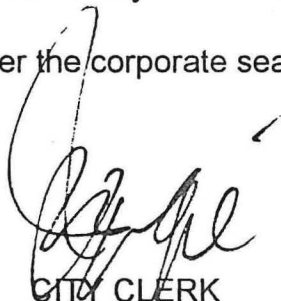
AND WHEREAS no notice of objection to the said proposed designation was served upon the Clerk of the municipality;

AND WHEREAS the reasons for the designation are set out as Schedule "B" hereto;

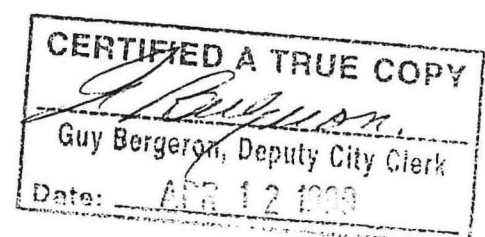
THEREFORE the Council of The Corporation of the City of Ottawa enacts as follows:

1. There is designated as being of historic and architectural value or interest the real property more particularly described in Schedule "A" hereto, known as 73 First Avenue.
2. The reasons for the designation are set out as Schedule "B" hereto.
3. The City Solicitor is hereby authorized to cause a copy of this By-law to be registered against the property described in Schedule "A" hereto in the proper Land Registry Office.
4. The City Clerk is hereby authorized to cause a copy of this By-law to be served upon the owners of the property described in Schedule "A", and upon the Ontario Heritage Foundation, and to cause notice of this By-law to be published in a newspaper having a general circulation in the City of Ottawa.
5. The Schedules attached hereto and marked Schedule "A" and Schedule "B" form part of this By-law, and all notations, references and other information contained therein shall be as much a part of this By-law as if all the matters and information set forth by the said Schedules were all fully described herein.

GIVEN under the corporate seal of the City of Ottawa this 7th day of April, 1999.


CITY CLERK


MAYOR



SCHEDULE "A"

Lots 12, 13, 14, 15 & 16, Plan 35085, on the north side of First Avenue, City
of Ottawa, Regional Municipality of Ottawa-Carleton.

PIN NO. 04132-0233 (LT)

SCHEDULE "B"

STATEMENT OF REASON FOR DESIGNATION

First Avenue Public School is recommended for designation under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act for historical and architectural reasons.

First Avenue Public School, completed in 1898, was one of seven elementary schools constructed in Ottawa in the 1890s. Of these schools, only two others, Mutchmor Public School (1895) and Osgoode Street School (1897, now Ecole Franco-Jeunesse,) remain standing. These schools were built when Ottawa's population was growing very rapidly and they are important visual reminders of this era of growth and prosperity in the city when schools were a source of considerable civic pride and served as the symbols of Ottawa's growing neighbourhoods.

First Avenue Public School was designed by local architect E.L. Horwood, who also designed the other remaining 19th century schools. In 1907, the Board of Education architect, W.B. Garvock designed an addition which consisted of a third storey and a gymnasium extension to the rear of the building.

First Avenue Public School is a three storey, flat-roofed, red brick structure with a rusticated stone foundation, stringcourse, window sills and lintels. The principal (south) facade is distinguished by a three storey frontispiece with a centrally placed round-arch entrance and a recessed door. The entrance is further embellished by elaborate terra cotta impostes from which the brick voussoirs spring and a terra cotta keystone with a carved date stone above. Each bay of the building's original section is divided by brick pilasters that are topped by terra cotta capitals: the 1907 extension repeats the pilasters, but not the terra cotta work. First Avenue School is further distinguished by its fine brickwork which is coursed between the foundation and the lintels of the second floor windows, corbelled at the cornice, and features the lightly tinted mortar popular at the time. The building's window openings are large in order to bring the maximum amount of light into the classrooms, but the windows themselves were replaced in 1981. The building also features a simple cornice with regularly spaced brackets.

First Avenue Public School has elements of the Richardsonian Romanesque style, a variation of the Romanesque Revival style that was popular in the 1880s and 1890s. Named after American architect H.H. Richardson who popularized it in the United States, Richardsonian Romanesque buildings typically feature heavy rusticated stone

foundations and trim, few, carefully chosen decorative motifs and the extensive use of the round arch, especially for elaborate entrances.

Any surviving pre 1908 interior architectural elements in the First Avenue Public School would also be designated.

The interior of the school and the 1981 addition are not included in this designation.

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Enacted by City Council at its meeting of
April 7, 1999.

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CORPORATE LAW BRANCH
City Hall, Ottawa
AMP: MV

Council Authority:
Date: February 3, 1999
Report: PEDC #3
Item: #1

