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THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF WOODSTOCK

By-law Number 5245-76

A by-law to designate the property at 479 Wellington Street North of architectural value.

WHEREAS, the Ontario Heritage Act, 1974, authorizes the Council of a Municipality to enact by-laws to designate real property, including all the buildings and structures thereon to be of historic or architectural value or interest; and

WHEREAS, the Council of The Corporation of the City of Woodstock has caused to be served upon the owner of the lands and premises known municipally as 479 Wellington Street North and upon the Ontario Heritage Foundation notice of intention to so designate the aforesaid real property and has caused notice of intention to be published in a newspaper having a general circulation in the municipality once for each of three consecutive weeks; and

WHEREAS, the reasons for designation are set out in schedule "B" hereto; and

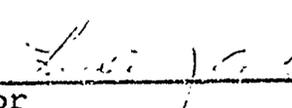
WHEREAS, no notice of objection to the said proposed designation has been served upon the Clerk of the Municipality;

THEREFORE, the Council of The Corporation of the City of Woodstock enacts as follows:

1. There is designated as being of architectural value or interest the real property more particularly described in Schedule "A" hereto, known municipally as 479 Wellington Street North.
2. That a copy of this by-law shall be registered against the property described in Schedule "A" hereto in the proper land registry office.
3. The Clerk is hereby authorized to cause a copy of this by-law to be served upon the owner of the aforesaid property and upon the Ontario Heritage Foundation and to cause notice of this by-law to be published in a newspaper having general circulation in the City of Woodstock.

READ a first and second time this 19th day of August, 1976.

READ a third time and finally passed this 2nd day of
September, 1976



Mayor



D/Clerk

SCHEDULE "A"

ALL AND SINGULAR that certain parcel or tract of land and premises situate lying and being in the City of Woodstock, in the County of Oxford and Province of Ontario, and being composed of Part of Lot 24 according to the Corporation Plan No. 350, the boundaries of which are described as follows:

COMMENCING at a point in the easterly boundary of said lot at the distance of six hundred and ninety-eight and ninety-three hundredths (698.93) feet measured North seventeen degrees, forty-six minutes West ($N.17^{\circ}46'W.$) along said boundary from the south-easterly angle of said lot, said point of commencement being two (2) feet northerly on said course from a standard iron bar marking the north-easterly angle of Fairview Registered Plan No. 503;

THENCE North seventeen degrees forty-six minutes West ($N.17^{\circ}46'W.$) along the westerly boundary of Wellington Street thirty-two and sixty-seven hundredths (32.67) feet to a point fifty (50) feet southerly along said boundary from the northerly boundary of said lot;

THENCE South seventy-four degrees fifty-three minutes West ($S.74^{\circ}53'W.$) parallel to the northerly boundary of said lot one hundred and twenty and twenty-nine hundredths (120.29) feet;

THENCE North seventeen degrees forty-six minutes West ($N.17^{\circ}46'W.$) fifty (50) feet to the south-westerly angle of Hook's Registered Plan No. 504;

THENCE North thirty-one degrees thirty-two minutes West ($N.31^{\circ}32'W.$) along the westerly boundary of said Plan No. 504 (being the easterly boundary of said Lot 24) four hundred and twenty and seventy-five hundredths (420.75) feet to the southerly boundary of the right of way of the Canadian Pacific Railway;

THENCE westerly along the southerly boundary of said right of way nineteen hundred and eighty-eight and eight-tenths (1988.8) feet more or less to the easterly boundary of Vansittart Avenue as shown on said Plan 350;

THENCE southerly along the easterly boundary of said Avenue one hundred and sixteen and twenty-five hundredths (116.25) feet more or less to the southerly boundary of said Lot 24, being the northerly boundary of the original Episcopal Cemetery;

THENCE easterly along the southerly boundary of said Lot 24, a distance of six hundred and eighty-six and four-tenths (686.4) feet more or less to the most northerly angle of said original cemetery;

THENCE North seventy-nine degrees forty-six minutes thirty seconds East ($N.79^{\circ}46'30''E.$) along a fence marking the northerly boundary of an addition to said Cemetery, seven hundred and twenty-two (722) feet to a point twenty (20) feet westerly from the westerly boundary of said Registered Plan No. 503;

THENCE North thirteen degrees thirty-six minutes West ($N.13^{\circ}36'W.$) eighty-one (81) feet to the production westerly of the northerly boundary of Plan 503;

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THENCE North seventy-two degrees fourteen minutes East (N.72°14'E.) twenty-five (25) feet to the north-westerly angle of said Plan 503; THENCE continuing North seventy-two degrees fourteen minutes East (N.72°14'E.) along the northerly boundary of said Plan 503, a distance of five hundred and four and sixty-six hundredths (504.66) feet;

THENCE North seventeen degrees forty-six minutes West (N.17°46'W.) two (2) feet;

THENCE North seventy-two degrees fourteen minutes East (N.72°14'E.) one hundred (100) feet more or less to the place of beginning.

SCHEDULE "B"

This fine red brick Regency Cottage, sometimes known as an Ontario Cottage, was built by Hon. George Alexander who was member for Oxford. Later he became Oxford's first Senator, being appointed by Sir John A. MacDonald. The house, built in 1857, appears to have been constructed on an earlier foundation. There are remnants of a primitive central heating system and the original meat hooks are imbedded in the old foundation. The first curling match in Western Ontario was played on the River below and is described in the book, "Curling in Ontario, 1846 - 1946". It has always been a private home but at times was quite badly run down, once in the late 1920's to the extent that cock fights were held in the kitchen. Now, it is beautifully restored by the present owner. Senator Alexander's daughter, Isabella Maud, married John Fennefather Vansittart, the eldest son of John George Vansittart of Bysham Park. Although named "Rokewood" it was once known as "Fair Villa" as the house faced South overlooking the old Fairgrounds property. In 1860, the Prince of Wales, later Edward VII, was entertained here.