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February 23, 1988

REGISTERED MAIL

Ontario Heritage Foundation  
77 Bloor Street West  
TORONTO, Ontario  
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Dear Sir:

RE: By-law Number 6512-88

Attached for your records, please find a certified copy of By-law Number 6512-88, designating the property known as Central United Church, 32 Riddell Street, Woodstock.

The by-law is presently being registered in the Land Registry Office.

Yours truly,

*Louise Gartshore*

Louise Gartshore  
Assistant Clerk

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Encl.

THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF WOODSTOCK

By-law Number 6512-88

A by-law to designate the lands and buildings including the interior of the church auditorium of the property known as Central United Church, 32 Riddell Street, of architectural and historic value.

WHEREAS, The Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1980, Chapter 337 authorizes the Council of the municipality to enact by-laws to designate real property, including all the buildings and structures thereon, to be of historical or architectural value or interest, and;

WHEREAS, the reasons for such designation are set out in Schedule "B" attached hereto, and;

WHEREAS, pursuant to this Act, A Notice of Intention to Designate was placed in the paper for three consecutive weeks, and;

WHEREAS, no person has come forth either in writing or in person to object to the designation as set forth.

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

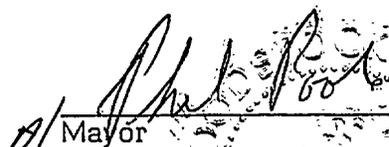
1. There is designated as being of architectural and historical value the real property known as Central United Church at 32 Riddell Street, more particularly described in Schedule "A" hereto.
2. That designation shall apply to exterior and the interior of the Church auditorium as outlined in Schedule "B".
3. That a copy of this by-law shall be registered on title against the property described in Schedule "A" hereto in the Land Registry Office of the County of Oxford.
4. That 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 18th day of February, 1988.

READ a third time and finally passed this 18th day of February, 1988.

I hereby certify this to be a true copy of  
By-Law Number 6512-88

Dated this 20th of February, 19 88

  
Mayor  
  
Clerk

Additional Property Identifier(s) and/or Other Information

Firstly:

Lots 5, 6, 7, and 8, Block E, Plan 50, City of Woodstock, County of Oxford.

Secondly:

Part Lot 9, Block E, Plan 50, City of Woodstock, County of Oxford described as follows:

COMMENCING at the Southwest angle of said Lot;

THENCE Northerly along the Western limit of said lot a distance of 3 feet;

THENCE Easterly parallel with the Northern limit a distance of 132 feet to a point in the Eastern limit of said Lot;

THENCE Southerly along the Eastern limit of said lot a distance of 3 feet to the Southeast angle of said Lot;

THENCE Westerly along the Southern limit a distance of 132 feet to the point of commencement.

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## SCHEDULE "B"

Central United Church  
32 Riddell Street

### Architecture - Exterior

Central (Methodist) United Church is built in "Tabernacle" style. It has one dominant and one lesser spire, moderately pointed gables, arched openings and arched windows with enamelled and stained glass. A 1954 addition, though not of original style blends well with the building.

### Architecture - Interior

The plan of the church auditorium is "amphitheatrical", permitting a large audience to be within easy hearing distance of the Minister. Changes to the interior include the lowering of the choir loft from its original higher and recessed position, and the addition of a centre aisle leading to the alter.

### Historical

Methodism began in this region with the formation of the Westminister Circuit. Two earlier chapels on Vansittart Avenue and on Graham Street, were replaced by Central United Church, which was built in 1875. Central United Church is the mother church of the three additional city churches, College Avenue, Dundas Street and St. Davids.