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September 12, 1985

Dedi-Care Centres Ontario Limited 89 Main Street CAMBRIDGE, Ontario NlR lWl

Gentlemen:

Re: Notice of Passing of By-law

Enclosed herewith is a copy of By-law 29 for 1985, passed at the September 10th regular meeting of Council of the Corporation of the Town of Seaforth which designates "The Former Seaforth Public School", Church Street, Seaforth of architectural and historical value.

Yours truly,

Luanne Phair, B.A., A.M.C.T.(A)

Deputy-Clerk

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cc: The Ontario Heritage Foundation
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Toronto, Ontario
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Encl.

THE CORPORATION

OF THE

TOWN OF SEAFORTH

BY-LAW NO. 29 FOR 1985

Being a by-law to designate certain properties of historic or architectural value or interest.

WHEREAS, the Ontario Heritage Act, 1980, as amended, authorizes the Council of a Municipality to enact by-laws to designate real property, including all buildings and structures thereon, to be of historic of architectural value or interest, and

WHEREAS, the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Seaforth has caused to be served upon the owner of the lands and premises known as "The Former Seaforth Public School" and upon the Ontario Heritage Foundation; notice of intention to so designate the aforesaid real property and has caused said notice of intention to designate to be published in a newspaper having general circulation in the municipality, once for each of three consecutive weeks, and

WHEREAS, the reasons for designation are set out in Schedule "A" attached hereto, and

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

NOW THEREFORE, the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Seaforth enacts as follows:

- 1. There is designated as being of architectural and historical value or interest, more particularly described in Schedule "B" attached hereto, the property known as "The Former Seaforth Public School".
- 2. Ralph Smith, Barrister & Solicitor, is hereby authorized to cause a copy of this by-law to be registered against the property described in Schedule "B" attached hereto, in the proper land registry office.
- The Town Clerk is hereby authorized to cause a copy of this by-law to be served upon the owners 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 Town of Seaforth.

Read a first and second time this 10th day of September, 1985.

Read a third time and finally passed this 10th day of September, 1985.

Clerk

SCHEDULE "A"

Statement of the Reasons for the Proposed Designation

Significant historical and architectural features are as follows:

Built in 1867, the Seaforth Public School at the corner of Church and

James Streets was the first brick public building to be erected by the Municipality and served the community until 1953.

This two storey symmetrical T-plan building has coursed field stone foundations, Flemish bond buff brick walls and a medium-pitched gable roof with narrow cornice and plain fascia.

The nine-bay front elevation is articulated by an advanced gabled frontispiece on which is superimposed a three-storey projecting bay that establishes a strong centre axis through its double doors with high transom, "Palladian" window, louvered attic opening and pedimented roof. Ground floor fenestration was originally six-over-six sash with radiating flat arch voussoirs and wood sills with brick lugs. In the three bays of the rear addition the lower window heads are segmentally arched. All other fenestration is round headed, with red brick voussoirs and modified Gibbsian surrounds in raised brick on the prominent elevations.

With the exception of the central bay, all corners of the original block have raised quoins. A projecting belt course circles the block.

This manipulation and exaggeration of Georgian compositional devices reflects a more inventive concern with effects of plasticity and volume typical of the Italianate influence on Canadian architecture. The roundheaded windows, turret-like centre bay, elongated proportions, bold juxtaposition of masses and enlivening of surface textures typify the application of Italianate aesthetics to an essentially conservation Georgian form.

SCHEDULE "B"

LEGAL DESCRIPTION

All and singular that certain parcel or tract of land and premises situate lying and being in the Town of Seaforth, in the County of Huron and Province of Ontario and being composed of Block C, School Site according to a Plan registered in the Land Registry Office for the Registry Division of Huron as Number 388.