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ONTARIO HERITAGE TRUST

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Re: Designation of 244 St. Andrew Street West, Fergus ON
Township of Centre Wellington

Dear Sir/Madam:

Please be advised the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Centre Wellington at their meeting held March 21, 2011 passed By-law 2011-014, designating the above noted property, including lands and buildings to be of architectural and/or historical value or interest under Part IV of the *Ontario Heritage Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c.O.18.

Enclosed herewith is a certified true copy of the by-law, including statements explaining the cultural heritage value or interest of the property and a description of the heritage attributes of the property.

Should you have any questions or require clarification, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Yours truly,

Kerri O'Kane, CMO
Deputy Clerk

Encl.

cc Linda Lonsdale, Heritage Centre Wellington

TOWNSHIP OF CENTRE WELLINGTON

BY-LAW 2011 – 014

Being a By-law to designate 244 St. Andrew Street West, in the former Town of Fergus, to be of cultural heritage value or interest

WHEREAS on the advice of the Municipal Heritage Committee, Council has been advised to designate the property attached hereto to be of cultural heritage value or interest to the provisions of the *Ontario Heritage Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c.O.18;

AND WHEREAS the provisions of Section 29, Subsections (1), (2), (3) and (4) have been complied with and no objection has been received by the Municipality.

NOW THEREFORE THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CENTRE WELLINGTON HEREBY ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

1. The lands and premises described as 244 St. Andrew Street West, Fergus, being Part Lot 2, S/S St. Andrew St., in the Block between Tower and St. David Streets (abutting Mill Yard), Plan 55, Fergus, as in RO653279 subject to RO670936 and RO677783, now in the Township of Centre Wellington. (PIN 71398-0019)
2. The reasons for the designation are as follows:

Cultural Heritage Value or Interest:

Design or Physical Value

The original stone foundation and the exterior of the structure remains relatively unchanged since being constructed in 1928. There were 8 steel girders supporting the roof so there would be no pillars to restrict the view. The front vestibule was added in the last few years (probably the 1990's when Hugh and Lorraine Drew-Brooke did extensive restoration of the theatre.) The original tin ceiling, transom windows and terrazzo floor in the lobby and on the front entrance to the building are still intact.

Historical or Associative Value

In January 1928, Sam Fardella replaced a barn with "a modern movie theatre" at what is now known as 244 St. Andrew St. West in Fergus. The architect was Mr. Mahoney of Guelph and the contractor was Charles Mattaini of Fergus. Just 6 months later, the head of MGM Studios, Louis B. Mayer sent a telegram to Fergus wishing great success to Sam Fardella.

Contextual Value

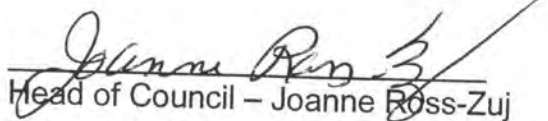
Located on the main street in downtown Fergus and on the north bank of the Grand River, the building also abuts onto Templin Gardens and is a local landmark.

Heritage Attributes to be protected:

- All exterior stone walls including the decorative columns and "chimney" on the front façade.
- The wooden overhang facing St. Andrew Street.
- The tin ceiling in the main theatre area.
- The terrazzo floors in the lobby and extending outside including the steps.
- The leaded transom windows in the lobby.
- The wood framing detail that was the original front door frame in the lobby area.


3. This By-law shall be registered against the title of the lands described as 244 St. Andrew Street West, Fergus, being Part Lot 2, S/S St. Andrew St., in the Block between Tower and St. David Streets (abutting Mill Yard), Plan 55, Fergus, as in RO653279 subject to RO670936 and RO677783, now in the Township of Centre Wellington. (PIN 71398-0019)
4. This By-law shall come into force and take effect upon its final passing.

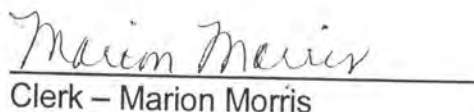
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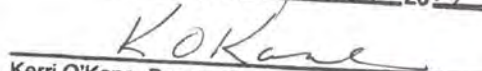
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Dated this 21st day of March 2011


Kerri O'Kane, Deputy Clerk
Township of Centre Wellington