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CITY OF WELLAND ONTARIO MUNICIPAL BUILDING 411 EAST MAIN ST.

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June 9th, 1997

Dear Sir:

RE: Designation under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act, The Gordon-Marshall House, Welland, Ontario

In accordance with the requirements of the Ontario Heritage Act, we are forwarding a certified copy of By-law Number 11002 for your records. By-law 11002, being a By-law to designate the above-referenced property as being of architectural and historical value or interest, was passed by City Council at its meeting of June 3rd, 1997.

Yours very truly,

DONNA VETTORI Assistant Clerk

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Encls.

c.c. - Mr. J. Mocsan, Chairman L.A.C.A.C.
 - Mrs. R. Mantesso, L.A.C.A.C. Co-ordinator

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THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF WELLAND

BY-LAW NUMBER 11002

A BY-LAW TO DESIGNATE 155 HELLEMS AVENUE IN THE CITY OF WELLAND, KNOWN AS THE GORDON MARSHALL HOUSE, OF HISTORIC OR ARCHITECTURAL VALUE OR INTEREST

WHEREAS the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter 0.18, 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 Welland has caused to be served upon the owner of the lands and premises municipally known as 155 Hellems Avenue, commonly known as the Gordon Marshall House, 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 a newspaper, having general circulation in the municipality;

AND WHEREAS no Notice of Objection to the proposed designation was served upon the Clerk of the City of Welland.

NOW THEREFORE THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF WELLAND ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

- 1. That the real property, more particularly described in Schedule "A" attached hereto and forming part of this By-law, known as the Gordon Marshall House at 155 Hellems Avenue in the City of Welland, be designated as being of historic or architectural value or interest.
- 2. The City Solicitor is hereby authorized to cause a copy of this by-law to be registered against the property described in said Schedule "A" attached hereto in the proper Land Registry Office.
- 3. The City 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 Welland.

READ A FIRST, SECOND AND THIRD TIME AND PASSED BY COUNCIL

THIS 3rd DAY OF June, 1997.

MAYOR

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ASSISTANT Clerk, City of Welland

Date _____ JUN 6 1997

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SCHEDULE "A"

All and Singular that certain parcel or tract of land and premises situate, lying and being in the City of Welland, in the County of Welland, and being composed of the north half of lot number 1 on the west side of Hellems Avenue, as shown on Corporation Plan number 1649 for the City of Welland. EXCEPTING therefrom the lands and premises being described in instrument number 5414 and being FIRSTLY the westerly part of the northerly half of lot number 1, commencing at the northwesterly angle of said lot; thence easterly 50 feet; thence southerly in a straight line to the centre line of the said lot; thence westerly and parallel with the northerly limit of said lot 50 feet; thence northerly in a straight line to the point of beginning.

SECONDLY part of Block AA as shown on Corporation Plan number 1649, more particularly described as COMMENCING at the southwesterly angle of Young Street and Hellems Avenue; thence southerly along the westerly limit of Hellems Avenue 22 feet 9 inches; thence westerly and at right angles to Hellems Avenue 367 feet 6 inches; thence northerly in a straight line to a point in the southerly limit of Young Street 375 feet 10 inches to the place of beginning, EXCEPTING therefrom the lands and premises in instrument number 2969 and described as follows: COMMENCING at a point in said part of Block AA on the south side of Young Street at a distance of 132 feet westerly from the southwesterly angle of Young Street and Hellems Avenue; thence westerly along the southerly side of Young Street 243 feet 10 inches; thence southerly along the westerly boundary of said part of Block AA 33 feet 8 inches; thence easterly along the southerly limit of said part of Block AA 235 feet 6 inches; thence northerly to the place of beginning, EXCEPTING therefrom also the lands secondly described in instrument number 5414 and being part of Block AA north of that part of lot number 1 as firstly described in instrument number 5414 and COMMENCING in the southerly limit of Block AA at the north westerly angle of lot number 1; thence easterly along the northerly limit of lot 1, 50 feet; thence northerly in a straight line to the southerly limit of Young Street; thence westerly along the southerly limit of Young Street 50 feet, more or less, to a point directly in line with the westerly side of lot 1 produced northerly; thence southerly along the said production northerly to the place of beginning.

Gordon-Marshall House 155 Hellems Avenue

Reasons for the Proposed Designation:

This two-storey, red brick 'T' shaped house was built in the Italianate style in 1884. Characteristic of this style are its segmentally arched windows and doors and double hung windows with two over two panes, many with their original wavy glass. Interior features include a marble fireplace of typical Italianate style with rounded arch and cast iron coal grate in the front parlour, hardwood flooring laid in concentric patterns and woodwork with elaborate decorative detail. The wooden front porch with its turned posts and spindles along the eave dates from the 1890's.

The house was built for Elias Holder, a Crowland township farmer of German ancestry who was the owner of a livery stable on Division Street during the 1880's. He also had a contract for carrying mail in town and later worked as an implement agent. Ownership passed to James O'Neil in 1888. Of Irish parentage, O'Neil clerked in C. J. Page's general store on East Main until 1892 when he left with his wife and child to seek his fortune in the Dakota territory of the American west. Thomas Gordon and his wife Eva Knight Gordon purchased the house in February of 1892, and it has remained in the same family for over 100 years. The Gordon's Scottish ancestor came to Niagara-on-the-Lake with the British army. Thomas was born in 1863 and brought his family to Welland about 1885. He worked as a clerk for David "Daddy" Ross at the Ross Company Store on the corner of East Main and King Streets for many years. Two of the Gordon's six children, Florence and Mary, lived in the house for many years. Mary's husband John Lockley Brodie died at age 29 in 1920 and Mary Gordon Brodie returned to live in the house with her young daughter. In 1967, the house passed