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January 3, 2012

Ontario Heritage Trust
10 Adelaide Street East
Toronto ON M5C 1J3

**Re: Registration of Heritage By-laws
Municipality of Chatham-Kent**

At the Council Meeting held November 21, 2011, Chatham-Kent Council passed the following By-laws designating the indicated properties under Part IV of the *Ontario Heritage Act* for their cultural heritage value and interest. The By-laws have been registered on title of the respective properties:

Property Address	Legal Description	By-law Number	Instrument Number	Registration Date
9 Park Street	Part of Lots 10 to 13 and all of Lot 14, Block 48, Plan 14	190-2011	00504-0238	20-Dec-11
14 King Street West	Part of Lot 81, Old Survey	191-2011	00504-0082	20-Dec-11
10 1/2 King Street West	Part of Lot 81, Old Survey	192-2011	00504-0265	20-Dec-11
6-8 King Street West	Part of Lot 81, Old Survey	193-2011	00504-0080	20-Dec-11
2-4 King Street West	Part of Lot 81, Old Survey	194-2011	00504-0079	20-Dec-11
14 William Street North	Lot 60, Old Survey	197-2011	00504-0069	23-Dec-11
20-26 William Street South	Part of Lots 79 and 80, Old Survey	195-2011	00504-0078	23-Dec-11
40-48 William Street South	Part of Lots 79 and 80, Old Survey	196-2011	00504-0074	23-Dec-11
383-395 King Street West	Lot 11 and Part of Lot 12, Block F, Old Survey	198-2011	00505-0004	23-Dec-11
367 Wellington Street West	Part of Lot 111, Old Survey	199-2011	00505-0043	23-Dec-11
325 Wellington Street West	Part of Lot 107, Old Survey	200-2011	00505-0036	23-Dec-11
788 North Street	Part of Block A, Plan 134	201-2011	00602-0004	07-Dec-11
6974 St. Philippes Line	Concession 8, Part of Lot 11	202-2011	00773-0032	14-Dec-11
7823 Bay Line	Concession 13, Part of Lot 18, RP24R-609, Part 1	203-2011	00764-0010	14-Dec-11

Copies of the By-laws are attached for your file.

Sincerely,

Brian Nagato

For Ryan Jacques
Planner

C: Municipal Heritage Committee

Attachment(s)

BY-LAW NUMBER 190-2011
OF THE CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF CHATHAM-KENT

A By-law to designate the property known as **9 Park Street, Community of Chatham**, as being of historical and architectural value or interest.

FINALLY PASSED the **21st** day of **November, 2011**.

WHEREAS the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter 0.18 as amended, provides that the Council of the Municipality of Chatham-Kent may designate a property within the boundaries of the Municipality to be of cultural heritage value or interest;

AND WHEREAS Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Chatham-Kent has appointed the Heritage Chatham-Kent Advisory Committee and the said committee has recommended that the Municipality designate the hereinafter described property pursuant to The Ontario Heritage Act;

AND WHEREAS given Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Chatham-Kent has given Notice of Intention to Designate the hereinafter described property to be of cultural heritage value and interest pursuant to the Ontario Heritage Act;

AND WHEREAS no Notice of Objection to the proposed designation has been received by the Corporation of the Municipality of Chatham-Kent;

AND WHEREAS the reasons for designation are set out in Schedule "B" annexed hereto;

NOW THEREFORE the Municipality of Chatham-Kent enacts as follows:

1. That the property more particularly described in the attached Schedule "A" be designated to be of cultural heritage value and interest pursuant to The Ontario Heritage Act.
2. The Clerk be authorized register the by-law against the property described in Schedule "A" hereto in the proper land registry office.
3. The Clerk be directed to cause a copy of this by-law to be served on the owner of the aforesaid property and on the Ontario Heritage Foundation and cause notice of the passing of this by-law to be published in a newspaper having general circulation in the municipality.

THIS By-law shall come into full force and effect upon the final passing thereof.

READ A FIRST, SECOND AND THIRD TIME this **21st** day of **November, 2011**.

I hereby certify this to be a true copy of By-law
Number 190-2011 passed by Municipality of
Chatham-Kent Council at its' meeting
held on Nov. 21, 2011,
and the same is now in full force and effect.



The Corporation of the Municipality
of Chatham-Kent



ACTING MAYOR – Steve Pinsonneault



CLERK – Judy Smith

SCHEDULE 'A'

LT 14 BLK 48 PL 14; PT LT 10-13 BLK 48 PL 14 AS IN 557679
MUNCIPALITY CHATHAM-KENT.

PIN No. 00504-0238

SCHEDULE 'B'

REASONS FOR DESIGNATION

Canadian Register of Historic Places Nomination
Chrysler Ward School, 9 Park Street, Municipality of Chatham-Kent

*any field that appears in grey is mandatory

Identification

Historic Place Name	Chrysler Ward School		
Other Names	#	Type:	Name:
	1	Other	Queen Street School
	2	Other	Gray & Sons Repair
	3	Other	Gray-Dort Motor Company
	4	Other	Gray-Dort Social Club
	5	Other	Masonic Temple
	6	Other	Gentry Manor
	7	Other	9 Park Street

Recognition

Authority:	Local Government (ON)
Recognition Type:	Municipal Heritage Designation Part IV
Recognition Date:	2011-11-21

Location

Location

Building Number:	9
Street Name:	Park Street
Postal Code:	N7M 3R1
Locality:	Chatham
Community:	Municipality of Chatham-Kent
Upper Tier:	n/a

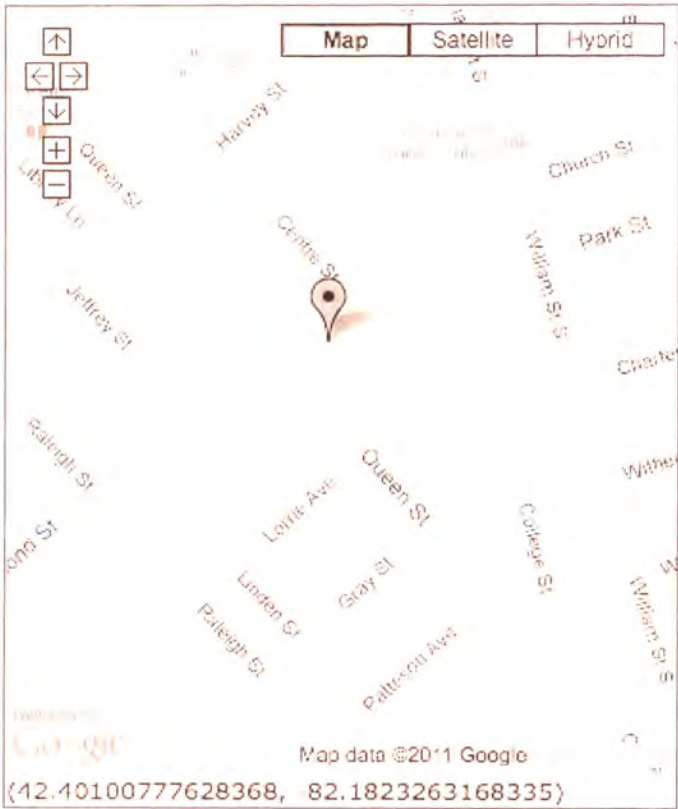
Coordinates

UTM		Latitude/Longitude	
Determination:	n/a	Determination:	Geocoding
Datum:	n/a	Datum:	NAD83
Zone:	n/a	Latitude:	42.401416
Northing:	n/a	Longitude:	-82.182499
Easting:	n/a		
Borden #:	n/a	Borden #:	n/a

Boundaries

Boundary Description:	Part of Lots 10 to 13 and all of Lot 14, Block 48, Plan 14, Municipality of Chatham-Kent.
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Map



Description

Statement of Significance

Description of Historic Place: i.e. Description of Property	The Chrysler Ward School is located at 9 Park Street on the north side of the confluence of Richmond Street, Park Street and Queen Street in the City of Chatham, Municipality of Chatham-Kent. The two-storey painted brick commercial building was constructed in 1871.
Heritage Value: i.e. Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest	<p><i>Historical or Associative Value:</i></p> <p>The Chrysler Ward School represents one of the oldest known structures that was used as a school in the Municipality of Chatham-Kent. It was built in 1871 and was the only school located in the Town of Chatham's Chrysler Ward, hence it's name. The school, along with four others throughout Chatham, was erected from municipal funds at the disposal of the Town along with proceeds from the sale of school lands. As the modest six-room school became overpopulated, additions were added and it became known as the Queen Street School.</p> <p>Around the turn of the century the Queen Street School was surplus and the building became associated with one of the most well-known industries in Chatham. William Gray purchased the property at which point it became known as Gray & Sons Repair. The school's design lent itself well to the use as a repair shop for the Gray buggies and sleighs that were manufactured in Chatham. Following William's death in 1884, his son Robert Gray picked up where William left off and in 1915 he began manufacturing Gray-Dort automobiles. The automobile production meant that the family's industrial empire boomed, selling more than 23,000 automobiles from coast to coast. Due to this boom, buggy production slowed, resulting in the repair shop's transition to the Gray-Dort Social Club.</p> <p>As the Gray-Dort Social Club the building was central to the community's social life. It acted as Chatham's unofficial community centre, a place where employees enjoyed billiards and silent movies and where many annual local events and dances were held. Robert is said to have favoured this building and retained ownership long after all other assets of the Gray-Dort Motor Company were sold following the cessation of Gray-Dort automobile production in 1924. It was not until his death that the structure took on its next incarnation, and the longest use to date, as the Masonic Temple. During this time the structure again played a prominent role in the social life of the Chatham community, hosting many local functions. The Masons sold the building in 1995 at which point it became the Gentry Manor.</p> <p><i>Design or Physical Value:</i></p> <p>The Chrysler Ward School is a unique example of the Classic Revival style of architecture. This style was concerned with the application of Greek plans and proportions to civic buildings, and it was common of schools of this era to be built in the Classic Revival style.</p> <p>The exterior is largely original and the structure's long and diverse history is evidenced in its many additions and alterations. The Chrysler Ward School's unique design features a temple inspired, somewhat monumental scale with a two-storey porticoed colonnade and four prominent Doric columns. The fenestration varies, but the numerous long, tall windows with decorative arched brick labels are notable. Other unique features include the grand main entrance featuring a keystone, the corbelled brick work under the eaves, and the decorative brick blind arches with brick pilasters and capitals.</p> <p><i>Contextual Value:</i></p> <p>Located prominently at the confluence of three Streets: Richmond, Park and Queen, the Chrysler Ward School is a landmark in Chatham and represents a long history of the community's social activities and events as well as their contribution to the automotive industry, both locally and nationally.</p> <p><i>Sources:</i></p> <p><i>A Community on the Thames</i>, 1987. <i>Chatham-Kent: A Place of Refuge</i>, visualheritage.ca/kent/dort.htm. Gentry Manor, gentrymanor.com/history.php. <i>Gray-Dort: The Class of the Light Car Field</i>, 1988. Municipality of Chatham-Kent Heritage Register <i>Report to the Minister of Education</i>, 1871.</p>
Character-Defining Elements: i.e. Description of Heritage Attributes	<p><i>Exterior character defining elements that contribute to the value of the Chrysler Ward School include its:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - two-storey painted brick exterior - the combination hip and gable roofs - temple inspired, monumental scale - two-storey porticoed colonnade with gable roof

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - four Doric columns - varied fenestration - grand main entrance with brick keystone - decorative arched brick labels - patterned brick corbel - ornamental brick pilasters with brick capitals - brick blind arches <p><i>Characteristics that contribute to the contextual value of the Chrysler Ward School include its:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - prominent location on the confluence of three Streets: Richmond, Park and Queen - close proximity to the commercial downtown core - first school to be built in the Chrysler Ward of Chatham
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Contributing Resources		Type:	Count:		
		Building	1		
Area (m²)	1691				
Dates of Significance	#	Type:	From:	To:	
	1	Construction	1871	1871	
BA	#	Type:	Name:		
	1	Architect	n/a		
	2	Builder	n/a		

Function Category and Type

Category and Type	#	Function:	Category:	Type:
	1	Historic	Education	Primary or Secondary School
	2	Current	Commerce/Commercial Services	Shop or Wholesale

Theme

Theme Category Type	#	Category:	Type:
	1	Building Social and Community Life	Education and Social Well-Being

Images

	Image 1:	Image 2:	Image 3:
File Path:	n/a	n/a	n/a
Image Type:	Contemporary Photograph	Contemporary Photograph	Contemporary Photograph
Caption:	West View of the Chrysler Ward School	South Elevation of the Chrysler Ward School	Detailed View of the Chrysler Ward School's Decorative Brick Work
Description:	Façade and south elevation of the Chrysler Ward School, 2011.	Chrysler Ward School's south elevation depicting the fenestration and arched brick labels, 2011.	Featured is the patterned brick corbelling and ornamental brick pilasters with brick capitals, 2011.
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Miscellaneous Info:	n/a	n/a	n/a



Image 1



Image 2

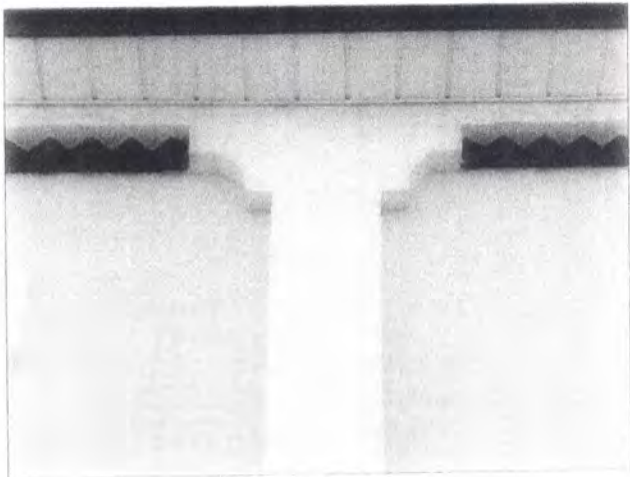


Image 3

Resources

Location of Documents:	Chatham Cultural Centre 75 William Street North Chatham Ontario N7M 4L4		
Collections:	n/a		
Related Link	URL:	Type:	Description:
	http://www.chatham-kent.ca	Local Government Website	Municipality of Chatham-Kent
	http://www.gentrymanor.com/	Other	Gentry Manor Website

Management

Ownership Type:	Private (Corporation)
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