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CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF RIDGETOWN

BY-LAW NUMBER 80-24

A BY-LAW TO DESIGNATE THE PROPERTY KNOWN MUNICIPALLY AS 2-12 MAIN STREET WEST, RIDGETOWN, ONTARIO AS BEING OF ARCHITECTURAL AND HISTORICAL VALUE OR INTEREST

WHEREAS Section 29 of The Ontario Heritage Act, 1974 authorizes the Council of a municipality to enact by-laws to designate real property, including all buildings and structures thereon, to be of architectural or historic value or interest;

AND WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Ridgetown has caused to be served on the owner of the lands and premises known as McKinlay Block at 2-12 Main Street West, Ridgetown 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 the same newspaper having general circulation in the municipality once for each of three consecutive weeks;

AND WHEREAS no notice of objection to the proposed designation has been served on the clerk of the municipality;

THEREFORE the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Ridgetown enacts as follows:

- 1) There is designated as being of architectural and historical value or interest the real property known as McKinlay Block at 2-12 Main Street West, Ridgetown, Ontario, more particularly described in Schedule "A" hereto.
- 2) The municipal solicitor is hereby authorized to cause a copy of this by-law to be registered against the property described in Schedule "A" hereto in the proper land registry office.
- 3) The Clerk is hereby authorized 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 to cause notice of the passing of this by-law to be published in the same newspaper having general circulation in the municipality once for each of three consecutive weeks.

Dates of three readings: *April 28, 1984*

Paul E. Balbitt

Mayor

Roy B. Wilkinson

Clerk

SCHEDULE "A"

ALL AND SINGULAR that certain parcel or tract of land and premises situate, lying and being in the Town of Ridgetown, in the County of Kent and Province of Ontario and being composed of parts of Lots Nos. One (1) and Two (2) on Plan 65, Marsh's survey, described as follows:

COMMENCING at the Southwest angle of Main and Erie Streets;

THENCE along the westerly limit of Erie Street One Hundred and Twenty feet (120');

THENCE Westerly and parallel to Main Street One Hundred and Five feet (105') to the Westerly limit of said Lot No. Two (2);

THENCE along the said Westerly limit of Lot No. Two (2) to Main Street;

THENCE Easterly along the Southerly side of Main Street to the place of beginning.

IN THE MATTER OF THE ONTARIO HERITAGE ACT,
1974, S.O. Chapter 122

AND IN THE MATTER OF THE LANDS AND PREMISES
KNOWN MUNICIPALLY AS No. 2-12 Main Street
West, IN THE TOWN OF RIDGETOWN, IN THE
PROVINCE OF ONTARIO

NOTICE OF PASSING OF BY-LAW

TAKE NOTICE that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Ridgetown has passed By-law No. 80-24 to designate the property, including lands and buildings, known municipally as No. 2-12 Main Street West, Ridgetown, as a property of architectural and historical value or interest under Part IV of The Ontario Heritage Act, 1974, S.O. Chapter 122.

Reasons for the Designation

Architecturally the McKinlay Block, housing the opera house, one of the few left in Ontario, represents a significant cultural space of an earlier era and is also the work of widely recognized American Architect Mr. W.W. Malcolmson. Historically, the building is the most important of all buildings in Ridgetown being the primary anchor or cornerstone of Ridgetown's business core streetscape for the past 100 years and is presently in excellent condition especially considering the age of the building, due to the extensive restoration and contributes significantly to the Town's overall aesthetic quality.

DATED at Ridgetown, Ontario this 5th day of May, 1980.

Roy B. Malcolmson
Clark.