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**REGISTERED MAIL**

January 18, 2000

Ministry of Citizenship, Culture and Recreation  
Heritage Branch  
77 Bloor Street West, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor  
Toronto, ON M7A 2R9

RE: Designation of 16 Sydenham Street  
Our File: R01

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of The Ontario Heritage Act, Chapter 0.18, R.S.O. 1990, please find enclosed a copy of By-law No. 4530-00, a By-law to designate the property known municipally as 16 Sydenham Street.

This By-law was passed by Council at its meeting on January 17, 2000. Passage of the By-law was advertised in the local newspaper on January 26, 2000.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please give me a call.

Yours very truly,

  
Ms. Susan L. Steele, A.M.C.T.  
Town Clerk

SLS/sae

Encl.

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**THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF DUNDAS**

**BY-LAW NO. 4530-00**

**A BY-LAW OF THE CORPORATION OF THE  
TOWN OF DUNDAS, BEING A BY-LAW TO  
DESIGNATE A PROPERTY IN THE TOWN  
OF DUNDAS TO BE OF HISTORIC AND  
ARCHITECTURAL VALUE OR INTEREST.**

**(HISTORICAL DESIGNATION - 16 SYDENHAM STREET)**

WHEREAS this Council is empowered under Subsection 6 of Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, C. 0.18, as amended, to enact by-laws to designate property, including exteriors of buildings, as described in Schedule "A" attached hereto to be of historic or architectural value or interest;

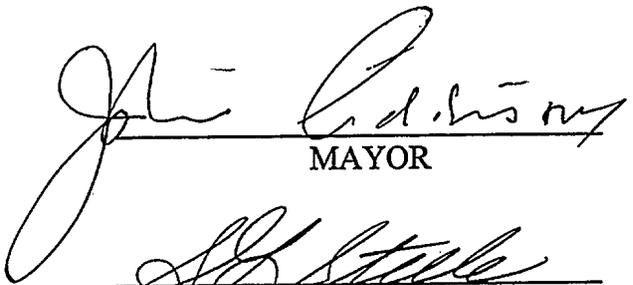
AND WHEREAS this Council has caused to be served upon the owners of the property known municipally as 16 Sydenham Street in the Town of Dundas and upon the Ontario Heritage Foundation notice of intention to so designate the said property and has caused such notice of intention to be published in a newspaper having a general circulation in this Municipality;

AND WHEREAS no notice of objection to the proposed designation of the said property has been served on the Clerk of this municipality within the time prescribed by the said statute;

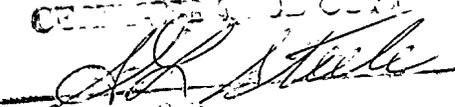
NOW THEREFORE THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF DUNDAS ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

1. There is hereby designated as being of historic and architectural value or interest, the exterior of the property known municipally as 16 Sydenham Street in the Town of Dundas, more particularly described in Schedule "A" attached hereto.
2. The Town Solicitor is hereby authorized and directed to cause a copy of this By-law to be registered against the property described in Schedule "A" attached hereto in the Land Registry Office for the Registry Division of Wentworth.
3. The Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to cause a copy of this By-law to be served upon the owners of the property and upon the Ontario Heritage Foundation and to cause a notice of this By-law to be published in a newspaper having general circulation in the Town of Dundas.

READ a First, Second and Third time and PASSED this Seventeenth day of January,  
2000.

  
MAYOR

  
CLERK

CERTIFICATE OF THE BOARD OF  
  
TOWNSHIP OF ...

**SCHEDULE 'A'**

**Description of Lands**

**16 Sydenham Street**

Part Lot 27, Registrar's Compiled Plan 1335, as in CD246769, T/W CD246769, in the  
Town of Dundas, in the Regional Municipality of Hamilton-Wentworth.

The above lands being all of PIN 17483-0045 (LT)

## SCHEDULE 'B'

### Reasons for Designation

#### Historical Significance

Mr. John Cowper, a furniture maker who emigrated from Bristol, England to Dundas, in 1845, built 16 Sydenham Street in the 1860's. John Cowper opened a furniture and undertaking business in a store at the southeast corner of King Street and Memorial Square now occupied by the Royal Bank Building. Willoughby Cowper (John's son) had the first telephone in Dundas installed at his place of business. Over the next 100 years, the Cowper family would prosper in Dundas, involved in furniture and undertaking, coal and wood, telegraph and express services and finally in the hardware business which operated in Dundas until the late 1960's. In the 1920's, 16 Sydenham Street was the home of Dr. A. C. Caldwell who served as Mayor of Dundas from 1924 – 1927 and from 1931 – 1935.

#### Architectural Significance

16 Sydenham Street is a fine example of Gothic Revival architecture which was popular in Ontario from the 1840's to the 1870's. It is a one and a half storey rough cast stucco dwelling built on a stone rubble foundation. Among its many Gothic features is the decorative bargeboard which trims all the gable ends and eaves. Decorative wooden finials extend from the apex of each gable. The original front entrance is now concealed behind a later addition to the front of the house, but the back basement and kitchen doorways remain intact. The windows of the dwelling are double hung with wooden trim and distinctive decorative sills. In gothic style, the upper storey windows feature triangular peaked transoms. A triple bay window with segmental surrounds protrudes from the back (north) wall.

The wood framed structure at the western end of the house, adjacent to the kitchen, may have been built as the original "one room" dwelling. The house, which is the subject of this designation, was later added in stages to this wood framed structure.

To be noted on the north side of the dwelling is the remnant of the original stone wall.

#### Features to be Designated

The following features of 16 Sydenham Street are subject to this designation: the exterior front (south) elevation, side (east) elevation and back (north) elevation of the dwelling; all gothic windows and wooden frames on the upper and lower storeys; the back kitchen and basement doorways; the entire gabled roofline including decorative trim and finials.