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THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF LONDON



DEPARTMENT OF THE CITY CLERK
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REGISTERED

October 9, 1992

Ontario Heritage Foundation
10 Adelaide Street East
Toronto, Ontario
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Re: Designation of 126 Sydenham Street
The Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. 0.18

Please find enclosed, a certified copy of By-law No. L.S.P.-3167-285, entitled "A by-law to designate 126 Sydenham Street to be of architectural value", passed by the Municipal Council of The Corporation of the City of London on October 5, 1992 and registered as Instrument No. 282673 on October 7, 1992.


R.R.J. Tolmie
Assistant City Clerk

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By-law No. L.S.P.-3167-285

A by-law to designate 126 Sydenham Street to be of architectural value.

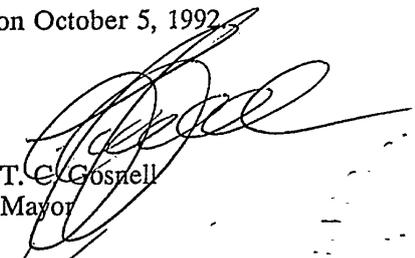
WHEREAS pursuant to The Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. 0.18, the Council of a municipality may by by-law designate a property including buildings and structures thereon to be of historic or architectural value or interest;

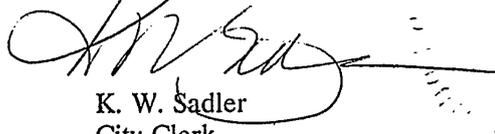
AND WHEREAS notice of intention to so designate the property known as 126 Sydenham Street has been duly published and served and no notice of objection to such designation has been received;

The Municipal Council of The Corporation of the City of London enacts as follows:

1. There is designated as being of architectural value or interest, the real property at 126 Sydenham Street, more particularly described in Schedule "A" hereto, for the reasons set out in Schedule "B" hereto.
2. The City Clerk is authorized to cause a copy of this by-law to be registered upon the title to the property described in Schedule "A" hereto in the proper Land Registry Office.
3. The City Clerk is 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 the London Free Press, and to enter the description of the aforesaid property, the name and address of its registered owner, and short reasons for its designation in the Register of all properties designated under The Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990.
4. This by-law comes into force on the day it is passed.

PASSED in Open Council on October 5, 1992


T. C. Gosnell
Mayor


K. W. Sadler
City Clerk

First reading - October 5, 1992
Second reading - October 5, 1992
Third reading - October 5, 1992

SCHEDULE "A"

To By-law No. L.S.P.-3167-285

All and Singular that certain parcel or tract of land and premises situate lying and being in the City of London, in the County of Middlesex and being composed of Parts of the east halves of Lots Numbers Four (4) and Five (5) on the east side of Talbot Street, fronting on Sydenham Street, according to Registered Plan Number 65, and more particularly described as follows:

COMMENCING at the south east angle of said Lot Number 5;

THENCE westerly along the southerly limit of Lot Number 5, being the northerly limit of Sydenham Street, 44 feet to a point;

THENCE northerly parallel with the westerly limit of Lots Number 4 and 5, a distance of 128 feet, to the northerly limit of said Lot 4;

THENCE easterly along the northerly limit of said Lot 4, 44 feet to the north-east angle of said Lot 4;

THENCE southerly along the easterly limit of Lots Numbers 4 and 5, 128 feet to the place of beginning.

As in Instrument No. 64722 and 491337.

THENCE southerly in a line parallel with Talbot Street six feet;

THENCE westerly parallel with the northerly limit of the said Lot ninety-eight feet and one inch more or less to the place of beginning, said Lot being according to plan number sixty-five.

As In Instrument No. 169065.

SCHEDULE "B"

To By-law No. L.S.P.-3167-285

808, 810, 811, 812, 813, 815, 817, 825, 831 Talbot Street (between Oxford and St. James Sts.) and 126 Sydenham Street (between Talbot St. and St. George St.)

Historical and Contextual Reasons

The properties on Talbot Street between Oxford and St. James Streets and 126 Sydenham represent a diversity of architectural styles and incremental urban development. Many mature trees enhance this streetscape. The buildings were constructed between the early 1870s and the late 1930s, with some more recent infills (eg. 817 Talbot). Stylistically the buildings fall into distinct periods with Italianate and Queen Anne dominating the east side of Talbot reflecting development from the 1880s to 1905, and Arts and Crafts and Colonial Revival on the west side reflecting development between 1910 and 1940. The west of the street developed later because the land was owned by an agricultural society which operated the old Western Fair Agricultural Building (demolished) which occupied the site of 837 Talbot Street.

Many of the buildings in the area are associated with the Harvey family, particularly Alexander Harvey. Harvey arrived in London in 1855, having immigrated from Ireland. He purchased much of the land along this stretch of Talbot street around 1872. He was described in the City Directories of the period as a builder and after 1898 as vice president of Webster Harvey Ltd., suppliers of coal wood and cement. Alexander Harvey built and occupied 802 Talbot Street in 1886 and began building many of the houses in the area. It is believed that he oversaw the construction of 801, 803, 810, 811, 812 and 813 Talbot Street over the years. Some of the houses such as 810 and 812 were built for members of the Harvey family, in this case his two daughters. Harvey was noted for having personally planted streets of trees in North London. Many members of the Harvey, and through marriage, Foreman and Escott families, continued to live on the street well into the 1980s.

126 Sydenham Street
Architectural Reasons

The house at 126 Sydenham Street was built c.1870 and is believed to be one of the earliest buildings on Sydenham Street. Though altered over the years the house retains its Regency proportions with its low hip roof, though stylistically it could be described as an Ontario cottage. The original roof material was probably wood shingle. Original windows can be seen around the house and there is a small bay window on the west façade. The original wood siding has been covered with stucco. The windows still sport their shutters, decorative wood mouldings and storm windows. The small centre gable retains a small louvred pointed window and wood shingling.



CITY OF LONDON BY-LAW CERTIFICATION RECORD

I, K. W. Sadler, City Clerk
of the Corporation of the City of London, hereby certify that the By-law hereunder is a true
copy of By-law No. L. S. P. -3167-285
of the City of London, passed on October 5, 19 92.
DATED at London, Ontario this 9th day of October 19 92.
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