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# THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF LONDON



DEPARTMENT OF THE CITY CLERK  
K.W. SADLER, CITY CLERK

October 3, 1995

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874 Hellmuth Avenue  
London ON N6A 3T8

I hereby certify that the Municipal Council, at its session held on October 2, 1995 resolved:

2. That, on the recommendation of the London Advisory Committee on Heritage, notice of Council's intentions to designate the property located at 874 Hellmuth Avenue to be of architectural value or interest be given for the attached reasons under the provisions of section 29(3) of the *Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. O.18*; it being pointed out that the owners have concurred in the above recommendation on the understanding that the land to be included in the designation will be shown as is indicated on the assessment roll. (2/20/PC)

*K. W. Sadler*

K. W. Sadler  
City Clerk  
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attach.

cc: Ontario Heritage Foundation, 7th Fl.-77 Bloor St. W., Toronto, M7A 2R9  
V. A. Coté, Commissioner of Planning and Development  
R. Cerminara, Director of Building Controls  
M. Gladysz, Heritage Planner  
London Advisory Committee on Heritage

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874 Hellmuth Avenue

**ARCHITECTURAL REASONS:**

The houses on Hellmuth, north of St. James Street exhibit characteristics unique to the time of their construction. The homes were built between 1905-12. The transition from the earlier Victorian styles as seen in 875 and 879 Hellmuth differ markedly from those at, 871, 872, and 873 which exhibit the contemporary Edwardian Queen Anne variant which would dominate the 1910's. The buildings also exhibit the increasing dependence on imported red brick over the local white brick. Red brick at this time was seen as a prestige construction material, and it eventually replaced white brick which went out of production in the 1930's.

874 Hellmuth Avenue is a two and a half storey white brick vernacular Queen Anne house. It is notable for the squared off southwest corner with decorative brackets defining the eaves.

**HISTORICAL REASONS:**

Bishop Isaac Hellmuth played an important role in the development of London as an important educational centre. He founded both the Hellmuth Boys College (1864) and Hellmuth Ladies College (1867), both ranked as important educational institutions at the time. As well he was instrumental in founding and funding the University of Western Ontario in 1878, certainly his most enduring contribution to the city.

Hellmuth Boys College encompassed an entire city block bounded by Wellington, Grosvenor, St. James and Waterloo Streets. The college was bankrupt by 1877, and the grounds and buildings were eventually used by the University of Western Ontario until 1885, and finally demolished in 1895. The property was divided quickly into building lots. Today the only reminder of this important part of London's educational history is Hellmuth Avenue which divided the former campus in two.

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I/We hereby approve the above Reasons and consent to the Heritage Designation of the subject property.

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I/We wish to amend the above Reasons as follows and consent to the Heritage Designation of the subject property.

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CITY CLERK No. 11111  
SUBJECT Hellmuth Ave...  
874 - Heritage  
DATE AUG 26 1995  
designated  
M. G. Ash  
M. G. Ash

SIGNED: