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Ministry of Citizenship, Culture and Recreation
77 Bloor St. W
Toronto, ON
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ATT: Manager, Heritage Properties and Museums Program

RE: DESIGNATION OF HERITAGE PROPERTY

This letter is to advise that the Corporation of the Town of Huntsville passed By-law 99-112; being a by-law to designate the property known municipally as "The Pursers Cabin" located at Huntsville Memorial Park, Part of Lot 14, Part Lot 15, Concession 1, Chaffey Ward, Town of Huntsville, to be of architectural and historical value or interest, on September 27th, 1999.

We would ask that you add this designation to your inventory. We are forwarding a letter to our Town Solicitor for registration on title.

If you require further information please do not hesitate to contact our office.

Sincerely,



Lisa Smith
Deputy Clerk-Treasurer

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THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF HUNTSVILLE

BY-LAW NUMBER 99-112

Being a By-law to Designate the Property known Municipally as "The Purser's Cabin", located at Huntsville Memorial Park, Part of Lot 14, Part Lot 15, Concession 1, Chaffey Ward, Town of Huntsville, to be of Architectural and Historical Value or Interest.

WHEREAS Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter O.18 authorizes the Council of a Municipality to pass by-laws to designate a property within the municipality to be of historic or architectural value or interest;

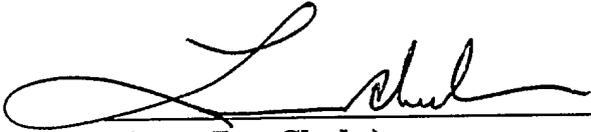
AND WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Huntsville has caused to be served on the owners of the lands and premises known as "The Purser's Cabin", located at Huntsville Memorial Park, Part of Lot 14, Part Lot 15, Concession 1, Chaffey Ward, Town of Huntsville, Roll No. 020-005-02100 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 designated has been served on the Clerk of the Municipality;

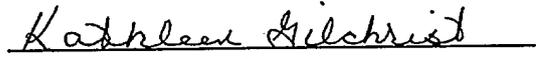
NOW THEREFORE The Council of the Corporation of the Town of Huntsville enacts as follows:

1. This is designated as being of architectural and historical value or interest the real property know as "The Purser's Cabin", located at Huntsville Memorial Park, Part of Lot 14, Part Lot 15, Concession 1, Chaffey Ward, Town of Huntsville, more particularly described as Schedule "A" attached 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" attached 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.

READ a first time this 27th day of September A.D., 1999.

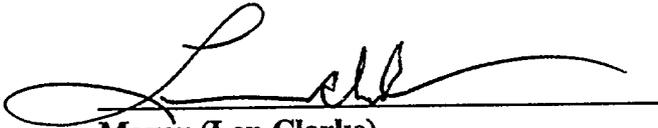


Mayor (Len Clarke)

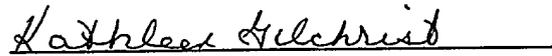


Clerk (Kathleen Gilchrist)

READ a second and third time and finally passed this 27th day of September A.D., 1999.

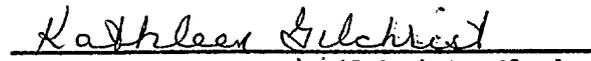


Mayor (Len Clarke)



Clerk (Kathleen Gilchrist)

I, Kathleen Gilchrist, Clerk of the Town of Huntsville hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of a by-law, ~~resolution~~ passed by the Municipal Council of the Town of Huntsville on the 27th day of September A.D. 1999.



Kathleen Gilchrist, Clerk

SCHEDULE "A"

REASONS FOR DESIGNATION

**THE PURSER'S CABIN,
Huntsville Memorial Park,
Part of Lot 14, Part Lot 15,
Concession 1, Chaffey Ward,
Town of Huntsville**

The Purser's Cabin of the former Wa Wa Hotel (1908-23) and Bigwin Inn (1920-1969) is worthy of designation under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act. It was constructed around 1910 and was originally situated at the end of the concrete pier at the Wa Wa Hotel at Norway Point on Lake of Bays.

In the 1950's it was moved a short distance to the Norway Point property of Bigwin Inn, also on Lake of Bays.

This Purser's Cabin is one of the few remaining structures that represent the steamboat era on the north Muskoka lakes from 1877 to 1969.

The cabin is a 12.5 foot by 24 foot rectangular building with a hipped roof and broad overhanging eaves. There are 2 rooms, a waiting room and a baggage room. The siding is of wood cove clapboard. A 5 inch wooden string course circles the building. Names and dates are carved on the exterior, the earliest being 1918.

There are single glazed doors on 2 facades. An exterior double leaf door leads to the baggage room. Awning windows are centered in the baggage room. The waiting room is entirely glazed with a series of 6 over 6 double hung sash windows.

The interior of the waiting room consists of vertical V-groove boards. The ceiling is also matched V-groove boards with simple moldings. Reeded banding circles the room just below the window sills.

Considering its age, the cabin is in moderately good condition. It is an excellent example of the type of Purser's Cabin used throughout Muskoka. It will be a worthy and genuine addition to the Muskoka Heritage Place in Huntsville.