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**Re: Designation of 3557 Colonel Talbot Rd
The Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. 0.18**

Please find enclosed, for your information, a certified copy of By-law No. L.S.P.-3389-65, entitled "A by-law to designate 3557 Colonel Talbot Rd to be of historical and contextual value or interest", passed by the Municipal Council of The Corporation of the City of London on March 26, 2007 and registered as Instrument No. ER493398 on April 5, 2007.

The London Advisory Committee on Heritage will be contacting you at a later date to determine whether or not you wish to have a plaque mounted on this building to designate it as a site of historical or contextual value or interest.

Linda Rowe
Deputy Clerk

Encl.

cc : R. Cerminara, Building Division, Room 710
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Bill No. 120
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By-law No. L.S.P.-3389-65

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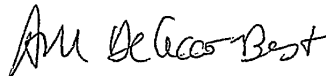
WHEREAS pursuant to the *Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. 0.18*, the Council of a municipality may by by-law designate a property including buildings and structures thereon to be of historic and contextual value or interest;

AND WHEREAS notice of intention to so designate the property known as 3557 Colonel Talbot Road has been duly published and served and no notice of objection to such designation has been received;

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

1. There is designated as being of historical and contextual value or interest, the real property at the 3557 Colonel Talbot Road, 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*.
4. This by-law comes into force on the day it is passed.

PASSED in Open Council on March 26, 2007.



Anne Marie DeCicco-Best
Mayor



Kevin Bain
City Clerk

First Reading - March 26, 2007
Second Reading - March 26, 2007
Third Reading - March 26, 2007

SCHEDULE "A"
To By-law No. L.S.P.-3389-65

Part of Lot 74 in Concession West of the North Branch of the Talbot Road of the geographic Township of Westminster in the City of London and County of Middlesex designated as Part 3 on Reference Plan 33R-3853.

SCHEDULE "B"
To By-law No. L.S.P.- 3389-65

Reasons for Designation

Mathers Cemetery, 3557 Colonel Talbot Road:

(revised 26 July 2006)

Mathers Cemetery is recommended for Designation under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act as a site of heritage value. The cemetery contains graves of three members of the Mathers family who were early pioneers of Westminster Township.

Historical Reasons

The Mathers Cemetery is located at Lot 74 West Talbot Road (WTR), the northeast corner of the former Mathers Farm which is now called North Lambeth Subdivision. The cemetery plot size is 20 feet by 20 feet with one large pink granite monument set on a concrete base in the centre.

Stephen Mathers was born in England. In 1815 he petitioned Colonel Talbot for 200 acres at Lot 74 WTR. He was granted the property in 1836. Stephen married Elizabeth 'Betsy' Patrick and they had nine children. The Patrick family was one of the first settlers in the area. A one storey log home was built at the rear of the farm property on the east bank of Mill Creek, now known as Dingman Creek. In 1840 Stephen was murdered near the St. Clair River while delivering a horse that he had sold. The family located Stephen's body but found that the money had been stolen.

James Mathers, oldest son of Stephen, married Mercy McNairns and they had ten children. The homestead was sold to James and Mercy in 1843. James served as school trustee of SS #17 Westminster Township for several years. He was Deputy Reeve for the Township for 1875-76.

James Mathers laid out plans for a cemetery for the Mathers family in the northeast corner of the farm. The first burial was his son John, who had never married: born 1853 - died 1889. James's wife, Mercy is buried there also: born 1820 - died 1892. In October 1892, James married Mary Ristotle, daughter of Samuel and Margret Ristotle. Andrew, the youngest son of James and Mercy, and his wife Elizabeth continued to farm the lot until James's death in 1901. James is buried in the cemetery: born 1829 - died 1901. Mary sold the farm a short time after James's death to Thomas Vanstone and George Bogue.

Andrew and Elizabeth, who had farmed with James, moved to Lot 31 Concession 1 Westminster Township.

Architectural Reasons

The single monument in the cemetery is a pink granite square column. The cap has gothic gables set in each face. The main body of the spire has names in reverse etching on the east face. The other three faces are blank. The pink granite continues into a base block for the spire. The spire is set on a two-level concrete base. The upper level is cast with the Mathers name in relief and the lower level is cast in a rusticated pattern.

There are also two granite foot stones separate to the east of the column, one is etched 'FATHER', the other 'MOTHER'. Posts and chains delineate the south and west sides of the plot and the two southerly corners are also marked with white granite posts set slightly above ground level, both engraved 'M'.