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THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF OAKVILLE

VIA REGISTERED MAIL

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August 13, 1987

Mr. John White
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Attention: Mr. White

Re: Town of Oakville By-law 1987-132 Designation of an Historic Site, The Ontario Heritage Act, 1980

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 29 (6) of The Ontario Heritage Act, we hereby serve you with notice of the designation of the property municipally known as 37 Lakeshore Road West, as a property of historic and architectural value and interest.

Enclosed is a copy of By-law 1987-132 in its entirety, passed by Oakville Town Council on August 6, 1987, the reason for the designation being Schedule "A" to this By-law.

Yours very truly,

Rosemary Stefan
Committee Co-ordinator
TOWN OF OAKVILLE

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THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF OAKVILLE
BY-LAW 1987-132

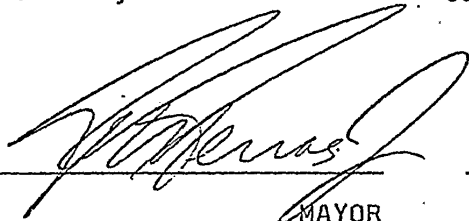
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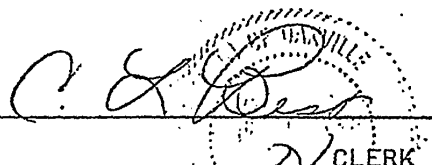
A by-law to designate certain property as
property of historic and architectural value
and interest (37 Lakeshore Road West)

THE COUNCIL ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

1. The property known municipally as 37 Lakeshore Road West is hereby designated as a property of historic and architectural value and interest pursuant to the Ontario Heritage Act, for the reason set out in Schedule "A" to this by-law.
2. The property designated by this by-law is the property described in Schedule "B" attached to this by-law.

PASSED by the Council this 6th, day of August 1987.


MAYOR


CLERK

SCHEDULE "A"

to By-Law 1987-132


Reason for Designation

This building, constructed in 1890, is an example of modest vernacular architecture. The buttresses at the corners of the building define the form, along with the brick work on the side cornices.

As early as the 1830s, ministers of the African Methodist Episcopal Church had come from the United States to preach among the portion of the black Methodist settlers in Canada. On December 13, 1875, a British Methodist Episcopal Church was formed in Oakville. The congregation of Oakville and Bronte residents secured the use of a building erected by the Congregationalists on the northwest corner of John and Wilson Streets. In 1887, the congregation purchased the church property but conflict arose between the British Methodist Episcopal and African Methodist Episcopal members as to the ownership of the property. Meanwhile, the building burned to the ground. Finally, the two factions settled their differences and the 25 members at Oakville and the 38 at Bronte united to build the present church on Colborne Street (now Lakeshore Road West). The corner stone was laid in 1891, and on January 1st of the following year, the Turner African Methodist Episcopal Church, so named in honour of Bishop Turner, opened for service. It is significant to note that many of the founders of the Turner Chapel on 37 Lakeshore Road West were blacks who had previously fled the United States because of the Fugitive Slave Law of 1850, via the 'Underground Railroad'.

This is Schedule "A" to By-Law 1987-132

passed by the Council this 6th, day of August, 1987.

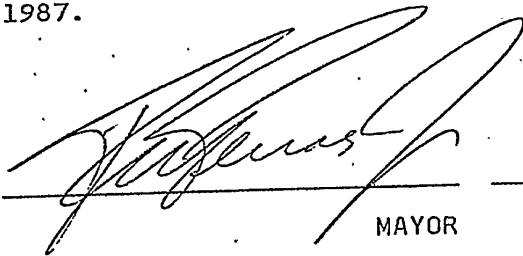
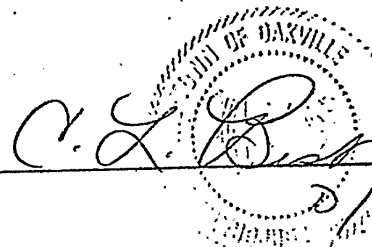

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SCHEDULE "B"

to By-Law 1987-132

ALL AND SINGULAR that certain parcel or tract of land and premises situate, lying, and being in the Town of Oakville, in the Regional Municipality of Halton, and being the whole of Lot 2, Block 63, Plan 1 registered in the Land Registry Office No. 20 for the Land Titles Division of Halton at Milton.

This is Schedule "B" to By-Law 1987-132
passed by the Council this 6th, day of August,
1987.


MAYOR
CLERK