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THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF PERTH

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November 21, 2012

ONTARIO HERITAGE TRUST

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Registrar, Ontario Heritage Trust, Heritage Programs and Operation ATTN: Mr. Jim Leonard 10 Adelaide Street East Toronto, Ontario M5C 1J3

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Re: Notice of Amendment to Nine (9) Municipally Designated Heritage Properties

Dear Mr. Leonard,

The Town of Perth and the Municipal Heritage Advisory Panel (MHAP) have been working to update municipal heritage designations in order to bring them into compliance with the current standards for designations of heritage buildings as prescribed by the Ontario Ministry of Culture under the *Ontario Heritage Act*.

As the Registrar for the Ontario Heritage Trust, the Town is hereby providing you with notice of the approved nine (9) amendments (see attached) to the following properties:

- 1. 2474-1 The Hope Building, 69-71 Foster Street;
- 2. 2520-1 Roderick Matheson Building (Shaw's Of Perth), 1-3 Gore Street East
- 2525-1 Roderick Matheson Building (Kellock Block), 41-43 Gore Street East:
- 4. 2526-1 Roderick Matheson Building (Kellock Block), 39 Gore Street East;
- 5. 2643-1 Dr. William Grant Building, 85-87 And 89-91 Gore Street East;
- 6. 2814-1 Doran Block (Riverside Apartments), 93-99 Gore Street East
- 7. 3053-1 Charles Rice (Thomas-Wright Building), 63-65 Gore Street East
- 8. 3423-1 Francis Holliday (The Soong Building), 67-71 Gore Street East, and;
- 9. 3424-1 Perkins Motors (Perks 'N Things), 2 Wilson Street West.

The amendments clarify the Statement of Heritage Value or Interest and the Description of Heritage Attributes of said properties.

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If you have any questions please contact Karen Rennie, Heritage Manager / Curator at 613-267-1947.

Sincerely,

Course Walton, Clerk

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BY-LAW NO. 2525-1

A By-law to amend By-law No. 2525, being a By-law regarding the Municipal Heritage Designation of the Roderick Matheson Building (Kellock Block) Parcel 2 located at 41-43 Gore Street East

Recitals:

- 1.1. Section 29 in Part IV of the *Ontario Heritage Act*, as amended, provides that the Council of a municipality may by by-law designate a property within the municipality to be of cultural heritage value or interest;
- 1.2. Council wishes to bring the designation into compliance with the current standards for designation of heritage buildings as prescribed by the Ontario Ministry of Culture under the *Ontario Heritage Act*;
- 1.3. The Committee of the Whole reviewed Report 2012-CoW-15.UB.1 and concurs with the information presented;
- 1.4. The Council of the Town of Perth passed Motion #12-120 authorizing staff to publish the Notice of Intention to amend the designation;
- 1.5. On September 13th, 2012 notice of intention to amend the heritage designation of the Roderick Matheson Building (Kellock Block) was served on the property owner, the Ontario Heritage Trust, and published as per the Town's Public Notice Policy;
- 1.6. The public was provided an opportunity to object to the intention to amend the designation within thirty (30) days of the notice, to the Clerk;
- 1.7. The Clerk has not received any objection to the proposed amendment to the designation as of October 16th, 2012;
- 1.8. Council for The Corporation of the Town of Perth deems it advisable to pass this By-law.

Accordingly, the Council of The Corporation of the Town of Perth enacts as follows:

1. AUTHORIZATION

1.1. That By-law No. 2525 be amended in its entirety and be replaced with the following:

Building/Property Name: Roderick Matheson (Kellock Block)

Address:

Parcel 2: 41-43 Gore Street East

Original Owner:

Roderick Matheson

Present Owner:

Parcel 2: "Perth Apothecary Limited"

Date Built:

c. 1848

Architect/Contractor:

John Ellis, Contractor

Original Use:

Commercial (Tailors & Furriers); Apartments &

Offices (upper floor)

Present Use:

41 Gore – upper floor apartments; 43 Gore –

O'Reilly's Ale House

Date Designated:

By-law No. 2525 - 24-January-1984

Registration:

Instrument #91636 30-January-1984

Reason for Designation:

Two adjoining commercial/residential properties of local sandstone on the main street which are essential architectural elements of the downtown core in massing and style of the mid-1800's. Both buildings have had longterm occupants of cultural and historical interest in the life of Perth.

Cultural and Historical Value:

Roderick Matheson, as the original property owner of the lots in question, commissioned the contractor, John Ellis, to build this block for leasing purposes in the late 1840's. On the ground floor, at street level, there are 3 entrances: one for each business entry at numbers 39 & 43 and one in the middle at number 41 which leads to the upper floors.

The initial occupants at 39 Gore were a succession of different businesses until in 1898 the property was taken over by the Perth Courier. One of the oldest continuing local newspapers in Canada, the Perth Courier has remained in this location until 2011. For the majority of its lifetime, the Perth Courier was owned and operated by the Walker family and its descendants. Note the incised letter 'W' on the stone sill below the show windows.

From 1848 to 1858, 43 Gore was operated as furriers by Mr. M. Billings. It then began its lengthy history as a pharmacy under Mr. A. Allen until 1861 when the operation was taken over by Dr. John Kellock, M.D. Dr. Kellock, a Queen's graduate and long term member of the Perth Board of Education, sold the pharmacy operation to his brother, Dr. James Kellock in 1880 who continued the business until 1901. There are indications that the Kellocks added an additional upper floor during their period in the block. A pharmacy continued in this location under various owners until 1997 and was generally known as the Perth Apothecary in its latter years. Currently its use has changed to become O'Reilly's Pub. The upper floors, identified as 41 Gore, have seen numerous residential users as well as offices and other enterprises. A notable occupant in the last decade of the 1800's was the Mechanics Institute Library.

Architectural Value:

A key end part of continuous, connected blocks of 3 or 2-1/2 storey commercial/residential buildings, primarily in stone dating from the mid-1800's, on the east side of Gore Street from Herriott Street north to the Matheson House property. Both buildings are relatively simple in design in rubble stone; parged on the upper floor which is clearly an addition probably later in the 19th century. At roughly the same time frame, a 2 storey addition to the east extended 43 Gore Street by two bays. The resulting Herriott Street façade now clearly shows these additions and that the original building was gabled on the south end. Further 20th century additions to 39 Gore complete the current massing on the site.

Heritage Attributes:

Although the block is a simple design, the following elements are worthy of note from the point of view of retaining its character:

- maintenance of the random rubble stone façades on both Gore & Herriott Streets and restoration of that characteristic exterior surface when possible.
- ♣ retention of the fenestration on both façades including the double hung, 2 on 2 wood frame windows; the cut stone lug sills and the stone voussoirs on the upper levels.
- ★ the protruding, corbelled cornice of the relatively flat roof line which provides a distinguishing horizontal band across the top of both buildings on the Gore Street façade.
- ♣ the substantial decorated wood framing around the main show windows and entry door at grade on Gore Street. of 39 Gore Street.
- the deeply inset, centered main entry and single clear glass show windows on either side, the whole composition framed in wood, on the Gore Street side of 43 Gore Street.

Legal Description:

PT LT 3 N/S HERRIOTT ST PL 8828 LANARK S DRUMMOND AS IN RS116531 S/T RS116531; PERTH (05176-0036 LT)

References:

- A Illustrated Historical Atlas of Lanark & Renfrew Counties; H. Belden & Co.; Toronto, 1881
- A Quattrocchi, Gus; The Merchants, Professionals & Tradespeople of Perth; privately published; 1996
- ▲ Turner, Larry; Perth, Tradition & Style in Eastern Ontario; Natural Heritage/Natural History Inc.; 1992

2. EFFECTIVE DATE:

2.1. That this By-law shall come into force and effect upon passage thereof.

Read a first, second and third time and finally passed this the 20th day of November, 2012.

John Fenik, Mayor

John deRosenroll, Deputy Clerk

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