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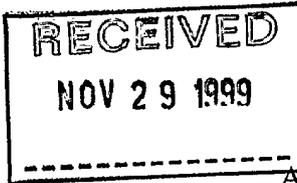
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City of
Ville d' **Ottawa**



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November 22, 1999

MacKay United Church
39 Dufferin Road
Ottawa, Ontario
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Dear Sir:

Subject: Designation of MacKay United Church

The Council of the Corporation of the City of Ottawa on the 17th of November, 1999, established its Intention to Designate the property known municipally as 257 MacKay Street, in the City of Ottawa, pursuant to the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990.c.18.

Enclosed herewith is the Notice of Intention to Designate served according to the Act.

Yours truly,

P.G. Pagé
Director of Council and Statutory Services & City Clerk

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Attach.

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IN THE MATTER OF THE ONTARIO HERITAGE ACT.

The Corporation of the City of Ottawa on the 17th day of November, 1999, established its intention to designate the following heritage property for its architectural and historical value.

257 MacKay Street

Statement of Reason for Designation

MacKay United Church is recommended for designation under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act for historical and architectural reasons.

MacKay United Church is named for the MacKay family, descendants of Thomas MacKay, industrialist and founder of New Edinburgh. The congregation was founded in 1874 by 24 Presbyterians in the community, including four members of the Mackay family. The first church on the site, New Edinburgh Presbyterian Church, was completed in 1875. The name of the church was changed to MacKay Presbyterian in 1901 to honour the long history of the MacKay family as benefactors and supporters. In 1925, after the creation of the United Church of Canada, it became MacKay United Church.

Prominently located on a corner lot, MacKay United Church was built in 1909 on the site of the 1875 church. The church is a rough-cut stone structure, distinguished by a corner tower with buttresses, a conical roof and a tower door. A Sunday School with pointed-arch windows, built in 1896, was integrated into the rear of the new building during its construction. The church's front facade features a three-arched entrance portal with three tall, round-arched windows with smooth cut stone trim above it. Round-arched windows, separated by buttresses are repeated on the north and south facades. The building widens at the rear and the wider portion features a modified cross gable with large pointed-arch windows that face south and north. The stained glass windows were added in 1924.

MacKay United Church was designed by architect H.F Ballantyne who had offices in Ottawa and New York City. The church is designed in the Romanesque Revival style, popular for churches and public buildings in the latter part of the 19th century because of the impression of permanence and solidity it conveyed. MacKay United Church's handsome stone construction, prominent corner tower and the repeated use of the round arch make it a good example of the style.

The sanctuary, a pleasingly proportioned room featuring the original pews and attractive roof trusses and woodwork, is included in the designation. The 1951 addition, Memorial Hall, is not included in this designation.

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OBJECTIONS

Any person wishing to object to this designation may do so by letter, outlining reasons for the objections and other relevant information. These must be received by the Clerk of the City of Ottawa either by registered mail or personally delivered by the 4th day of January, 2000.

DATED at Ottawa this 22nd day of November, 1999.

P.G. Pagé
City Clerk