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June 27th, 1984.

Ontario Heritage Foundation  
77 Bloor Street West,  
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Dear Sirs,

RE: BY-LAWS - HERITAGE DESIGNATIONS



Please find enclosed certified copies of By-Law Numbers 12-84, 13-84 and 14-84 which correspondence to the following properties respectively, in the Township of Norwich:

BECK STORE: Part Lot 1, Concession 11, Village of  
Hawtrey, former Township of South Norwich

SUTTON-CLARK HOUSE: Part Lot 13, Concession 4,  
former Township of North Norwich

CURRIES UNITED CHURCH: Part Lot 18, Concession 5,  
former Township of East Oxford.

Yours truly,  
*R. C. Watkins*  
Robert C. Watkins,  
Clerk-Administrator.

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IN THE MATTER OF THE ONTARIO HERITAGE ACT, R.S.O. 1980, CHAPTER 337 AND IN THE MATTER OF THE LANDS AND PREMISES AT THE FOLLOWING MUNICIPAL ADDRESSES IN THE TOWNSHIP OF NORWICH IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.

**NOTICE OF PASSING OF BY-LAWS**

TO: ONTARIO HERITAGE FOUNDATION  
77 Bloor Street West,  
Toronto, Ontario.  
M7A 2R9

TAKE NOTICE THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Norwich has passed By-Law Numbers 12-84, 13-84 and 14-84 to designate the following properties as being of Architectural and Historical value or interest under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1980, Chapter 337.

A. **ADDRESS OF PROPERTY:**

BECK STORE - Part Lot 1, Concession 11, Village of Hawtrey,  
former Township of South Norwich

**REASON FOR DESIGNATION:**

The present Hawtrey Store was built in the 1870's by George Southwick when the Village of Hawtrey contained two hotels, two stores, two black-smith shops, and a large shingle and planing mill. The store was purchased from Sam Innis by the late John Beck in 1920 and was initially leased to the United Farmers of Ontario. Soon thereafter, John Beck married and he and his wife operated the store continually until shortly before his death in 1974.

This French Renaissance commercial building is architecturally exceptional for a small village. Its decorative Mansard roof, providing extra head room for the upper storey, was originally adorned with a roof walk with turned balusters, and two distinctive double chimneys. The hooded dormers are relatively simple except for the scroll designs on the sides. The elaborate brackets under the eaves have turned pendants.

The body of the building is finished at the corners with brick groining. The original facade had large four-paned windows surrounding a recessed double door. These windows were topped with a scalloped edge. The front has been covered over but the original windows and door are still inside. The original counters and shelving are found inside the store.

B. **ADDRESS OF PROPERTY:**

SUTTON-CLARK HOUSE:- Part Lot 13, Concession 4,  
former Township of North Norwich

**REASON FOR DESIGNATION:**

The Sutton-Clark House is a red brick house built in the period 1850 to 1860. The house design, which recalls the Greek Revival form, contains the Quaker influence in its simple dignity. The cobblestone foundation finish at the front of the house is a feature unique to this area. The back portion of the house, approximately 9 metres by 6 metres, was built about 1850 with a brick bake oven and fireplace in the middle of the structure. The front of the house, 12 metres by 9 metres, contains two front windows, each containing 20 panes. This front portion was built about 10 years later. It is believed that the windows came from New York State. There are original blue glass side lights and transom over the front doorway. The house originally had full length closing shutters on door and windows. An unusual feature is the three wooden window grills under the eaves that allow light into the upstairs bedrooms. The house also has a slate roof and chimneys at both ends of the roof peak.

C. ADDRESS OF PROPERTY:

CURRIES UNITED CHURCH:- Part Lot 18, Concession 5,  
former Township of East Oxford

REASON FOR DESIGNATION:

The exterior and sanctuary of this 1891 Victorian red brick church are original as designed by Cuthbertson of Woodstock. Cuthbertson also designed the Woodstock Opera House, the House of Refuge and the County of Oxford Court House.

The asymmetrical facade features regularly placed windows, intricate brickwork and a bell tower. The interior dark wooden ceiling has curved portions along the wall and is supported from above by hidden hand-hewn beams. The gallery boasts a detailed wrought iron railing, also designed by Cuthbertson, in addition to the pews from the original 1855 Church. Features of the sanctuary include sloping pine floors, wainscoting and stained glass in the original windows.

This building represents a historical focal point for the rural community of Curries. Several families have worshipped here for five and six generations and include members of the 1891 congregation in their ancestry. A Wesleyan Methodist congregation was formed in 1855 and purchased land in the same year with the cemetery property acquired in 1861. Additional property was purchased in 1885 to allow the erection of the present church which was opened on Thanksgiving Day, November 12th, 1891. The name was changed from Zion to Curries in 1903. Twenty-two years later, the church became part of the United Church of Canada.

DATED AT OTTERVILLE THIS 16TH DAY OF MAY, 1984.

ROBERT C. WATKINS,  
CLERK-ADMINISTRATOR.

CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF NORWICH

BY-LAW NO. 14-84

Being a by-law to Designate the Property known Municipally as THE CURRIES UNITED CHURCH, Part Lot 18, Concession 5, former Township of East Oxford, as being of Architectural and Historical value or interest.

WHEREAS Section 29 of The Ontario Heritage Act, 1980, authorizes the council of a municipality to enact by-laws to designate real property, including all buildings and structures thereon, to be of architectural or historic value or interest; and

WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Norwich has caused to be served on the owners of the lands and premises known as The Curries United Church, Part Lot 18, Concession 5, former Township of East Oxford, 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 designation has been served on the Clerk of the Municipality;

THEREFORE the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Norwich enacts as follows:

1. There is designated as being of architectural and historical value or interest the real property known as The Curries United Church, Part Lot 18, Concession 5, former Township of East Oxford, more particularly described in Schedule A 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 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 the by-law to be published in the same newspaper having general circulation in the municipality once for each of three consecutive weeks.

BY-LAW READ A FIRST, SECOND AND THIRD TIME, AND FINALLY PASSED THIS 27th  
DAY OF MARCH, 1984.

I certify this to be a true copy

Signed Robert C. Watkins

Title Clerk

Dated June 27, 1984

TOWNSHIP OF NORWICH

John M. Heleniak  
MAYOR - JOHN M. HELENIAK

Robert C. Watkins  
CLERK - ROBERT C. WATKINS

" SCHEDULE A "

TO BY-LAW NO. 14-84

DESCRIPTION :

**ALL AND SINGULAR** that certain parcel or tract of land and premises situate, lying and being in the former Township of East Oxford, now in the Township of Norwich, more particularly described as follows:

Commencing at the southwest angle of Lot 18, Concession 5, thence northerly along the westerly boundary of the said lot a distance of 138 feet, thence easterly parallel to the southerly boundary of the said lot a distance of 106 feet, thence southerly parallel to the westerly boundary of the said lot a distance of 6 feet, thence easterly parallel to the southerly boundary of the said lot a distance of 209.5 feet, thence southerly parallel to the westerly boundary of the said lot a distance of 132 feet, to a point in the southerly boundary of the said lot, thence westerly along the southerly boundary of the said lot a distance of 315.5 feet more or less to the place of beginning.