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Gentlemen:

In accordance with the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O.1980, Chapter 337, Part IV, Section 29 (6)(a)(ii), please find enclosed a certified copy of By-law No.83-19 passed by the Council of the Township of Uxbridge on April 14th, 1983.

By-law 83-19 designates the property known municipally as the Uxbridge Music Hall property at 16 Main Street South, as being of architectural and historical value or interest.

I trust you will find the enclosed in order.

Yours truly,

TOWNSHIP OF UXBRIDGE


W.E. Taylor, A.M.C.T., C.M.C.,
Clerk.

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Enclosure

BY-LAW NUMBER 83-19

OF THE

CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF UXBRIDGE

A BY-LAW TO DESIGNATE THE PROPERTY KNOWN MUNICIPALLY AS UXBRIDGE MUSIC HALL PROPERTY AT 16 MAIN STREET SOUTH, TOWNSHIP OF UXBRIDGE, REGION OF DURHAM (FORMERLY IN THE TOWN OF UXBRIDGE, COUNTY OF ONTARIO), AS BEING OF ARCHITECTURAL AND HISTORICAL VALUE OR INTEREST.

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WHEREAS Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1980, Chapter 337 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 Uxbridge has caused to be served on the owners of the lands and premises known as Uxbridge Music Hall property at 16 Main Street South, Township of Uxbridge, Regional Municipality of Durham (formerly in the Town of Uxbridge, County of Ontario) 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;

AND WHEREAS the reasons for designation are set out in Schedule 'B' hereto;

NOW THEREFORE, the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Uxbridge enacts as follows:

1. There is designated as being of architectural and historical value or interest the real property known as Uxbridge Music Hall property at 16 Main Street South, Township of Uxbridge, Regional Municipality of Durham (formerly in the Town of Uxbridge in the County of Ontario), more particularly described in Schedule 'A' hereto, and the reasons for designation are set out in Schedule 'B' 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 this By-law to be published in the same newspaper having general circulation in the Municipality once for each of three consecutive weeks.

Read a FIRST, SECOND and THIRD time and finally passed this 14th day of April, 1983.

CERTIFIED TRUE COPY

JUN 22 1983

W.E. Taylor CLERK
TOWNSHIP OF UXBRIDGE



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MAYOR
W.E. Taylor
CLERK

SCHEDULE 'A'
(TO BY-LAW NO. 83-19)

ALL AND SINGULAR that certain parcel or tract of land and premises situate, lying and being in the Township of Uxbridge, in the Regional Municipality of Durham (formerly in the Town of Uxbridge, in the County of Ontario) and being composed of Part of Lot 30, Concession 6 and Part of Lot 584 Block 000, Municipal Plan 83, for the Town of Uxbridge, now designated as Part 1 on a Plan of Survey prepared by H.F.Grander, O.L.S. registered in the Registry Office for the Registry Division of Durham (No.40) as Number 40R-7596.

SCHEDULE 'B'

(TO BY-LAW NO. 83-19)

REASONS FOR DESIGNATION OF UXBRIDGE MUSIC HALL

By 1804, settlers had begun to make their way into the virgin forests around the Uxbridge valley, to create a rural pioneer community. The first meeting hall was a clearing with stumps for chairs and the sky for a roof. Then the settlers' homes provided space for congregating. Quaker families in the area built their own Friends' Meeting house in 1809. By the 1850's the hamlet of Uxbridge had numerous places such as lodge halls, schools, taverns, to take care of meeting needs.

The 1850's brought a large expansion of the hamlet and a need arose for a central place of meeting where citizens could come together for socializing and entertainment as well as business.

About 1865, a site was leased from the Planks on the west side of Main Street where the present hall now stands and a building known as the Ontario Hall was erected.

In 1893, the Ontario Hall burned down. Uxbridge was now to go eight years without a new hall.

By May 1900, a public meeting had been called to propose the raising of four thousand dollars to procure a site and build a hall. On August the 19th, 1901, a large and enthusiastic crowd was on hand to watch the laying of the corner stones and on December 19, 1901, the official opening of the Music Hall took place.
