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IN THE MATTER OF THE ONTARIO HERITAGE ACT
R.S.O. 1980, CHAPTER 337 AND
50 PARK ROAD


NOTICE OF PASSING OF BY-LAW

To: Ontario Association of Architects
50 Park Road
Toronto, Ontario
M4W 2N5

✓ Ontario Heritage Foundation

Take notice that the Council of the Corporation of the City of Toronto has passed By-law No. 182-91 to designate the above-mentioned property to be of architectural (and historical) value or interest.

Dated at Toronto this 16th day of April, 1991.


Barbara G. Caplan
City Clerk

No. 182-91. A BY-LAW

To designate the property at 50 Park Road (Ontario Association of Architects Building) of architectural value or interest.

(Passed March 25, 1991.)

Whereas by Clause 10 of Neighbourhoods Committee Report No. 4, adopted by Council at its meeting held on March 25, 1991, authority was granted to designate the property at 50 Park Road of architectural value or interest; and

Whereas the Ontario Heritage Act authorizes the Council of a municipality to enact by-laws to designate real property, including all the buildings and structures thereon, to be of historic or architectural value or interest; and

Whereas the Council of The Corporation of the City of Toronto has caused to be served upon the owners of the lands and premises known as 50 Park Road 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 a newspaper having a general circulation in the municipality once for each of three consecutive weeks; and

Whereas the reasons for designation are set out in Schedule "B" hereto; and

Whereas no notice of objection to the said proposed designation has been served upon the clerk of the municipality;

Therefore the Council of The Corporation of the City of Toronto enacts as follows:

1. There is designated as being of architectural value or interest the real property more particularly described and shown on Schedules "A" and "C" hereto, known as 50 Park Road.
2. The City 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 City Clerk is hereby authorized to cause a copy of this by-law to be served upon the owner of the aforesaid property and upon the Ontario Heritage Foundation and to cause notice of this by-law to be published in a newspaper having general circulation in the City of Toronto.

ARTHUR C. EGGLETON,
Mayor.

BARBARA G. CAPLAN
City Clerk.

Council Chamber,
Toronto, March 25, 1991.
(L.S.)

SCHEDULE "A"

In the City of Toronto, in the Municipality of Metropolitan Toronto and Province of Ontario, being composed of parts of Lots 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11 according to Plan 282E registered in the Land Registry Office for the Registry Division of Toronto (No. 63), designated as PARTS 2 and 3 on a plan of survey deposited in the said Land Registry Office as 63R-2614.

The above-described lands being delineated by heavy outline on Plan SYE 2456 dated March 18, 1991, as set out in Schedule "C".

SCHEDULE "B"

Reasons for the designation of the property at 50 Park Road (Ontario Association of Architects Building):

The Property at 50 Park Road is designated on architectural grounds. The building was constructed in 1954 as the headquarters for the Ontario Association of Architects (OAA), an organization incorporated in 1890 to promote the formal education and professional registration of architects in the Province. The designs of the Toronto firm of John B. Parkin Associates, with John Cresswell Parkin as partner-in-charge, were chosen following an architectural competition organized in 1950. The building provides administrative space and facilities for the educational and social activities of the OAA.

The OAA Building reflects the mid-twentieth century Miesian International Style, with its exposed painted steel framing supporting open grids, expanses of windows, buff brick panels, and a flat roof. The structure, with its two-storey rectangular plan, is set into a hillside off Rosedale Valley Road. The brick panel wall with the name of the building (enlarged from the original design) and a recessed glazed entrance portico form the principal (east) facade of the building. A set of stairs leads directly off the sidewalk to the entry level. The long five-bay north elevation is almost fully glazed at both floor levels to integrate visually the interior spaces with the adjoining public parkland.

The OAA Building, though located on a small lot, was designed to take advantage of the park setting created by the southern extension of Rosedale Park on the north and west sides of the site. A terrace bounded by low plantings wraps around the lower level of the building and separates it from the adjoining parkland. With its clean lines, straight edges, smooth surfaces, and exposed steel, the building is one of the few and a particularly well-executed example of the International Style in the City of Toronto.

SCHEDULE "C"

MAP AREA 51J-211

