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Authority: Toronto and East York Community Council Item 7.14,
as adopted by City of Toronto Council on July 16, 17, 18 and 19, 2007
Enacted by Council: December 13, 2007

CITY OF TORONTO

BY-LAW No. 1358-2007

**To designate the property at 833 King Street West (Charles Hanson Canadian Laboratory)
as being of cultural heritage value or interest.**

WHEREAS authority was granted by Council to designate the property at 833 King Street West (Charles Hanson Canadian Laboratory) as being of cultural heritage 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 cultural heritage value or interest; and

WHEREAS the Council of the City of Toronto has caused to be served upon the owners of the land and premises known as 833 King Street West and upon the Ontario Heritage Trust, Notice of Intention to designate the property and has caused notice of this by-law to be posted on the City's web site for a period of 30 days in accordance with Municipal Code Chapter 162, Notice, Public, Article II, § 162-4, Notice requirements under the *Ontario Heritage Act*; and

WHEREAS the reasons for designation are set out in Schedule "A" to this by-law; and

WHEREAS no notice of objection was served upon the Clerk of the municipality;

The Council of the City of Toronto HEREBY ENACTS as follows:

1. The property at 833 King Street West, more particularly described in Schedule "B" and shown on Schedule "C" attached to this by-law, is designated as being of cultural heritage value or interest.
2. The City Solicitor is authorized to cause a copy of this by-law to be registered against the property described in Schedule "B" to this by-law in the proper Land Registry Office.
3. The City Clerk is authorized to cause a copy of this by-law to be served upon the owners of the property at 833 King Street West and upon the Ontario Heritage Trust and to cause notice of this by-law to be posted on the City's web site for a period of 30 days in accordance with Municipal Code Chapter 162, Notice, Public, Article II, § 162-4, Notice requirements under the *Ontario Heritage Act*.

ENACTED AND PASSED this 13th day of December, A.D. 2007.

GLORIA LINDSAY LUBY,
Deputy Speaker

ULLI S. WATKISS
City Clerk

(Corporate Seal)

SCHEDULE "A"**REASONS FOR DESIGNATION**Description

The property at 833 King Street West is worthy of designation under Part IV of the *Ontario Heritage Act* for its cultural heritage value or interest, and meets the criteria for municipal designation prescribed by the Province of Ontario under the categories of design and contextual value. Located on southeast corner of King Street West and Walnut Street, three-storey building was constructed in 1934 for the Charles Hansen Canadian Laboratory. The property was listed on the inaugural City of Toronto Inventory of Heritage Properties in 1973, and a Heritage Easement Agreement was registered in 1997. The former laboratory building has been converted into a residential condominium.

Statement of Cultural Heritage Value

The Charles Hansen Canadian Laboratory is a good example of a small-scale industrial building that blends features of two of the most innovative styles of the early 20th century. Its design mixes the flat roof and horizontal fenestration of the Art Moderne with the angular outlines and applied ornament of the Art Deco. The laboratory building was designed by E. L. (Earle) Sheppard, a graduate of the University of Pennsylvania who specialized in industrial designs after opening his architectural practice in Toronto in 1919. Sheppard's plans for the site addressed the irregularly shaped lot, angled as Walnut Street extends northwest to meet King Street West. Contextually, with its distinctive appearance, stepped outline, and position overlooking Stanley Park to the west, the Charles Hansen Canadian Laboratory is a local landmark on King Street, west of Bathurst Street.

Heritage Attributes

The heritage attributes of the Charles Hansen Canadian Laboratory related to its cultural heritage value as a good example of a small-scaled industrial building blending Art Moderne and Art Deco stylistic features are found on the principal (north façade), the west elevation, the east elevator shaft, and the flat roofline, consisting of:

- The three-storey irregularly-shaped stepped plan.
- The concrete construction clad with buff brick and artificial stone.
- The horizontal organization of the principal (north) facade where three floors of strip windows with metal muntins wrap around the west corner.
- The stone band courses outlining the fenestration and the flat roofline.
- The main entrance, where an elaborate stone doorcase with mouldings and an oversized ribbed keystone contains double doors and a transom with metal grillwork.

- Flanking the entry, the pairs of narrow vertical windows that are set in full-height ribbed stone frames.
- Above the east elevation, the elevator shaft that rises four stories and features rectangular windows with brick voussoirs and stone sills.
- The balanced fenestration on the west elevation.

SCHEDULE "B"

All Units and Common Elements comprising the property included in Metropolitan Toronto Condominium Plan No. 1196, being Property Identifier Numbers 12196-0001 (LT) to 12196-0106 (LT), Land Titles Division of Metropolitan Toronto (No. 66)

City of Toronto, Province of Ontario

The hereinbefore described land being delineated by heavy outline on Sketch No. PS-2007-284 dated November 22, 2007, as set out in Schedule "C".

SCHEDULE "C"

