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TOWNSHIP OF LONDON



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Re: Notice of passing of by-law to designate the "Deacon House" as a place of historical and/or architectural in value or interest.

South-part Lot 21, Concession 16 - Township of London

Please find enclosed a copy of By-law Number 6145 passed by Council of the Township of London on the 16th day of July, 1991 to Designate the Deacon House as a place of architectural and/or historical value or interest.

This document along with the "Reasons for Designation" was registered in the Land Registry Office of Middlesex (33) East as Instrument # 241444 on July 22, 1991.

I trust this is sufficient for your records.

Yours very truly,

Albert F. Bannister, A.M.C.T.,

Administrator & Clerk, Township of London.

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THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LONDON

BY-LAW NUMBER 6145

Being a by-law to designate Deacon House as a place of historical or architectural in value or interest.

WHEREAS pursuant to Chapter 337, Section 29, subsection (6) (c), R.S.O. 1980, of the Ontario Heritage Act, Councils of local municipalities are authorized to pass by-laws designating places of historical and/or architectural in value or interest;

AND WHEREAS it is deemed expedient to pass a by-law authorizing the designation of properties as historical and/or architectural in value or interest;

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Corporation of the Township of London enacts as a by-law as follows:

- That Deacon House (South-part Lot 21, Concession XVI) be designated as a place of historical and/or architectural in value or interest.
- 2. That a description of the lands being designated are attached hereto and form part of this by-law as Schedule "A".
- 3. That a detailed "Reasons for designation" of the property are attached hereto and form part of this by-law as Schedule "B".
- 4. This by-law shall come into full force and take effect from and after the final passing thereof.

READ a First, Second, and Third time and finally passed this 16th day of July, 1991.

I, Albert F. Bannister, Clerk of the Corporation of the Township of London do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of By-Law No. <u>1915</u>, of the Township of London

Clerk

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SCHEDULE "A"

ALL and singular that certain parcel or tract of land premises, situate, lying and being in the Township of London, County of Middlesex and described as follows:

Part of Lot 21, Concession 16, deignated as PART 1 33R262.

P.I.N. 08141-0050 (LT)

REASONS FOR DESIGNATION

DEACON HOUSE 1856

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Historical Background

In 1836, Lot 21, Concession 16 of London Township, consisting of one hundred and sixty five acres was settled by Ralph Deacon Jr. and resulted in the erection of a clapboard shanty. The site is rich in social happenings. About this time one of the family members, Richard Deacon, took over the operation of toll road along the 16th Concession Road allowance from Siddallsville to the Proof Line Road.

Architectural Background

The shanty was replaced about 1856 with an Ontario Gothic House built on a split stone foundation. The one and a half storey building is constructed of pine lumber covered by white brick in the stretcher bond formation.

Gingerbread adorns the peaked center gable and circular window, as well as the porched roof.

The main house roof was originally covered with cedar shingles as is the porch roof. The porch roof is supported by six partially chamfered posts. Tongue and groove pine is used for the porch ceiling; the porch floor and the front entrance storm door. Vertically mounted pine slats skirt the porch floor.

The eaves and windows were framed in pine. The windows had a plain pine slip sill, arched voissoir and moulded trim. The sash was one pain over one.

The house originally had a small inset chimney with a corbelled cap.

Deacon House stands as a reminder of period architecture of London Township in the mid-nineteenth century.