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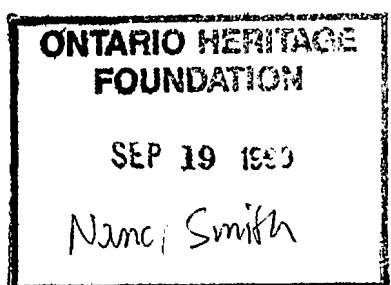
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Bill No. C-123

The Corporation of the City of Hamilton

BY-LAW NO. 90-249

To Designate:

LAND LOCATED AT MUNICIPAL NOS. 172-176 LOCKE STREET SOUTH

As Property of:

HISTORIC AND ARCHITECTURAL VALUE AND INTEREST

WHEREAS the Council of The Corporation of the City of Hamilton did give notice of its intention to designate the property mentioned in section 1 of this by-law in accordance with subsection 29(3) of the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1980, Chapter 337;

AND WHEREAS no notice of objection was served on the City Clerk as required by subsection 29(5) of the said Act;

AND WHEREAS it is desired to designate the property mentioned in section 1 of this by-law in accordance with clause 29(1)(a) of the said Act.

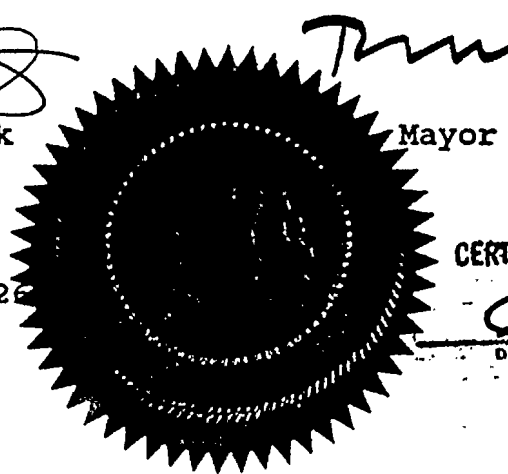
NOW THEREFORE the Council of The Corporation of the City of Hamilton enacts as follows:


1. The property located at Municipal Nos. 172-176 Locke Street South and more particularly described in Schedule "A" hereto annexed and forming part of this by-law, is hereby designated as property of historic and architectural value and interest.
2. The City Solicitor is hereby authorized and directed to cause a copy of this by-law, together with reasons for the designation set out in Schedule "B" hereto annexed and forming part of this by-law, to be registered against the property affected in the proper registry office.
3. The City Clerk is hereby authorized and directed,
  - (i) to cause a copy of this by-law, together with reasons for the designation, to be served on the owner and The Ontario Heritage Foundation by personal service or by registered mail;
  - (ii) to publish a notice of this by-law in a newspaper having general circulation in the Municipality of the City of Hamilton for three consecutive weeks.

PASSED this 28th day of August

A.D. 1990.

  
Deputy City Clerk



  
Mayor

(1990) 12 R.P.D.C. 9, June 28

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## Schedule "A"

To

By-law No. 90-249

Twentieth Century Club Building

172-176 Locke Street South, Hamilton, Ontario

ALL AND SINGULAR that certain parcel or tract of land and premises situate, lying and being in the City of Hamilton, in The Regional Municipality of Hamilton-Wentworth, and being composed of Part of Lot Three (3) in J. Macklin's Survey being registered Plan No. 253 in the said City of Hamilton, in The Regional Municipality of Hamilton-Wentworth, and which may be more particularly described as follows, that is to say:

COMMENCING at the southeast angle of the said Lot Three (3);

THENCE northerly along the eastern limit of the said Lot forty feet eight and one-half inches (40' 8-1/2") to a point in line with the centre line of a party wall of the brick building erected on the lands herein described;

THENCE westerly to and along the aforesaid centre line, thirty-three feet, two and three-quarter inches (33' 2-3/4") to a point; the said point being distant forty feet, eight and one-half inches (40' 8-1/2") measured northerly parallel with the western limit of Locke Street from a point in the northern limit of Blanchard Street;

THENCE northerly parallel with the western limit of Locke Street seven inches (0' 7") more or less to a point in the northern face of the northern wall of the aforesaid brick building;

THENCE westerly along the northern face of the northern wall of the last mentioned brick building, thirteen feet, eleven inches (13' 11") more or less to a point in the eastern face of a brick chimney;

THENCE northerly parallel with the western limit of Locke Street, along the eastern face of the said chimney, nine inches (0' 9") more or less to the northeastern angle thereof;

THENCE westerly along the northern face of the said chimney, two feet, eleven inches (2' 11") to the northwestern angle thereof;

THENCE southerly parallel with the western limit of Locke Street, along the western face of the said chimney, nine inches (0' 9") more or less to a point in the aforesaid northern face of the northern wall of the hereinbefore mentioned brick building;

THENCE westerly along the northern face of the northern wall of the hereinbefore mentioned brick building and the production of the line THEREOF westerly, forty-nine feet, eleven and one-quarter inches (49' 11-1/4") more or less to an iron bar planted in a line drawn parallel with the western limit of Locke Street, and distant one hundred feet (100') westerly therefrom measured parallel with the northern limit of Blanchard Street, the said iron bar being distant forty-one feet, three inches (41' 3") measured northerly along the line drawn parallel with the western limit of Locke Street from an iron bar planted in the northern limit of Blanchard Street;

THENCE southerly along the line drawn parallel with the westerly limit of Locke Street, forty-one feet, three inches (41' 3") to an iron bar planted in the southern limit of Lot Three (3);

THENCE easterly along the southern limit of the said Lot Three (3) one hundred feet (100') more or less to the place of beginning.

TOGETHER WITH the right of the owners, tenants and occupants of the herein described parcel of land to maintain in its present position overhanging and encroaching upon the lands adjoining the hereinbefore described parcel of land on the north being part of said Lot 3, a fire escape erected along the northern wall of the said brick building at its northwestern angle and,

TOGETHER WITH the right to use as a means of ingress and egress from the aforesaid fire escape, a parcel of land extending westerly from the western end of the fire escape being part of said Lot 3, three feet (3' 0") and extending northerly from the northern limit of the hereinbefore described parcel of land four feet (4' 0") and which said parcel of land may be more particularly described as follows, that is to say:

COMMENCING at a point in the southern limit of the lands described in Instrument Number 260738 N.S. distant twenty-two feet and one inch (22' 1") measured easterly thereon from the iron bar planted at the southwestern angle of the said parcel of land;

THENCE easterly continuing along the southern limit of the hereinbefore described parcel of land three feet (3' 0") more or less to the western limit of the hereinbefore mentioned fire escape,

THENCE northerly along the western limit of the aforesaid fire escape and being parallel with the western limit of Locke Street four feet (4' 0") to a point;

THENCE westerly parallel with the southern limit of the hereinbefore described parcel of land three feet (3' 0") to a point;

THENCE southerly parallel with the eastern limit of the herein described right of way four feet (4' 0") to the place of beginning;

TOGETHER WITH the right to use in perpetuity as a party wall in common with the owners of the lands to the north, the northerly half of the northerly wall of the said brick building for a distance of thirty-three feet two and three-quarter inches (33' 2-3/4") westerly from the westerly limit of Locke Street;

Lands as conveyed in Instrument Number 307093 C.D.

## Schedule "B"

to

By-law No. 90-249

**REASONS FOR DESIGNATION****TWENTIETH CENTURY CLUB BUILDING****172-176 Locke Street South****Context**

Built in 1905-6 to serve primarily as the headquarters of the Twentieth Century Club, this distinctive two-storey brick building now forms part of a row of low-rise commercial buildings on the west side of Locke Street South between the railway bridge at Hunter Street and Herkimer Street. One of the earliest retail districts outside the downtown area, Locke Street South evolved after the turn-of-the-century into a thriving and largely self-contained shopping area for the surrounding residential neighbourhood, then the city's west end. It also became a focus of social activity, with several churches, a movie theatre (the Regent), a billiard hall and the Twentieth Century Club.

**Historical Importance**

Founded in 1901 as a combined political, social and recreational club for young male members of the Conservative Party, the Twentieth Century Club was reputedly the first of its kind in Hamilton. The club was located in temporary quarters on Locke Street South before erecting a permanent facility on land purchased in 1905. Owned by the Twentieth Century Club until 1947, the building at 172-176 Locke Street South continued to house the club for two more years, when it appears to have closed. In the course of its half century history, this successful club counted among its members such prominent citizens as Charles H. Peebles, clerk of the division court, who was one of its organizers and secretary-treasurer for twenty-two years, and Henry New, head of the Hamilton Pressed Brick Co., and one of the club's first presidents.

The club's assembly hall was located on the second floor of the building, with the ground floor being divided into a front section comprising two stores and a rear section, which was originally part of the club facility but was later converted to two apartments. Of the various types of businesses accommodated over the years, two are noteworthy for their longevity: the fruit market at #174 from 1918 to the late sixties and the drug store at #176 from 1907 to the late fifties.

**Architectural Importance**

Designed by F.J. Rastrick & Sons, the Twentieth Century Club is one of few known surviving buildings designed by the two sons of the noted Hamilton architect, Frederick J. Rastrick: Edward Llewellyn and Francis Reginald, who were in partnership together from 1898 until 1931. Characteristic in style of the smaller scale late Victorian commercial blocks erected in the city during the early 1900s, the Twentieth Century Club building is one of the best examples on Locke Street South. Of particular interest is the design of the three-bay upper facade, articulated by brick pilasters terminating in paired brackets which support an ornamental bracketed cornice. Above is a brick parapet and arched pediment displaying the club name and date of construction, which used to be crowned by six sheet metal

finials and other ornaments. Also noteworthy is the window treatment: a tall central window set into a round-arched stone frame, which is flanked by slightly bowed tripartite windows with stone frames. Apart from the recent loss of the sheet-metal ornamentation and the modernization of the club entrance, the original facade has been preserved largely intact, with only minor alterations to the two store fronts.

#### Designated Features

Important to the preservation of 172-176 Locke Street South are the original features of the main (east) and south facades, including the original windows, the stone trim, the sheet-metal cornice and the brick parapet.