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The Ontario Heritage Foundation  
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Re: Designation of Properties under  
The Ontario Heritage Act.

Dear Sirs:

On November 17th, 1986 the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Flamborough passed By-Law No. 86-121-H, to designate the following properties under the Ontario Heritage Act:

1. Property of [REDACTED], known as "The Rising Sun Hotel" at 807 Centre Road (EF)
2. Property of [REDACTED], at 493 Dundas St. E. (Hwy #5) (EF).

Please find enclosed, certified copy of the designating By-Law.

Yours sincerely,

M. Jane Lee, A.M.C.T.  
Deputy-Clerk.

MJL:am  
Encl.

cc: Mrs. Eilene Kennedy, Chairman,  
LACAC Committee

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF FLAMBOROUGH

BY-LAW NUMBER 86-121-H

Being A By-law To Designate The Properties  
Municipally known as

1. The property of [REDACTED], known as the "Rising Sun Hotel at 807 Centre Road, in Part Lot 8; Conc. 5 (EF), Town of Flamborough.
  2. The property of [REDACTED], 493 Dundas St. East - Part Lot 3; Concession 3 (EF) Town of Flamborough;
- as being of Architectural and/or Historical Value or Interest.

WHEREAS Section 29 of The Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1980 authorizes the Council of a Municipality to enact by-laws to designate real property, including all buildings or structures thereon, as described in Schedule "A" attached hereto, to be of architectural and historical value or interest;

AND WHEREAS The Council of the Corporation of the Town of Flamborough has caused to be served on the owners of the lands and premises, known municipally as:

807 Centre Road, the residence of [REDACTED], "The Rising Sun Hotel", being in Part Lot 8; Concession 5 (EF) now Town of Flamborough;

493 Dundas Street East, the property of [REDACTED], being in Part Lot 3; Concession 3 (EF) now Town of Flamborough;

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 general circulation in the Municipality;

AND WHEREAS no Notice of Objection to the proposed designation has been served on the Clerk of the Municipality within the prescribed time;

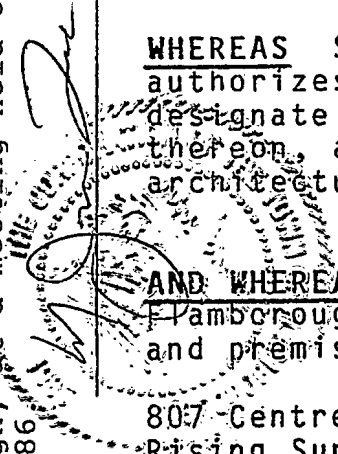
AND WHEREAS the reasons for the proposed designation are set forth in Scheduel "B" attached hereto;

**NOW THEREFORE THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF FLAMBOROUGH ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:**

1. There are designated as being of architectural and historical value or interest the real properties known as:
  - (a) Number 807 Centre Road, the residence of [REDACTED], "The Rising Sun Hotel", Part Lot 8; Concession 5 (EF) Town of Flamborough.
  - (b) Number 493 Dundas Street East, the property of [REDACTED], Part Lot 3; Concession 3 (EF), Town of Flamborough.

Certified a true copy of By-Law No. 86-121-H, passed by the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Flamborough, at a meeting held on November 17th, 1986.

(Deputy-Clerk)




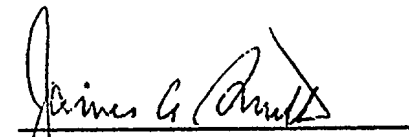
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and more particularly described in Schedule "A", attached hereto.

2. The Town's Solicitor is hereby authorized and directed to cause a copy of this By-Law to be registered against the properties described in Schedule "A" attached hereto, in the Land Registry Office for the Registry Division of Wentworth.
3. The Clerk is hereby authorized to cause a copy of this By-Law to be served on the owners of the properties and on the Ontario Heritage Foundation, and to cause Notice of the passing of this By-Law to be published in a newspaper having general circulation in the Town of Flamborough, once for each of three consecutive weeks.
4. The Clerk is also authorized to place a description of this By-Law in the Local Register for designating properties.

READ A FIRST, SECOND AND THIRD TIME, AND PASSED IN COUNCIL, THIS  
17th DAY OF NOVEMBER, 1986.

  
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Deputy-Clerk

  
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Mayor

SCHEDULE "A" to

BY-LAW NO. 86- 121 -H

DESCRIPTION:

1. The property of [REDACTED], formerly known as "The Rising Sun Hotel", at 807 Centre Road, being in Part Lot 8; Concession 5, formerly East Flamborough, now in the Town of Flamborough.
  
2. The property of [REDACTED], at 493 Dundas Street East, being in Part Lot 3; Concession 3, formerly East Flamborough, now in the Town of Flamborough.

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REASONS FOR DESIGNATION:

1. The property formerly known as "The Rising Sun Hôtel" is of considerable historical and architectural importance.

Built c.1850, it is the only existing landmark of the now lost hamlet of Bakersville, once a busy settlement where Centre Road crosses Grindstone Creek.

As the Rising Sun Hotel, it served travellers along the stagecoach route between Hamilton and Milton for nearly half a century before closing in 1899. It was also home to members of the pioneering Baker family for well over a hundred years.

The one-and-a-half storey building is a vernacular version of the simple Georgian style that was popular in southern Ontario for a large part of the nineteenth century.

The long, spacious verandah across the entire facade retains the original simplified classical columns supporting the roof. The original doorway near the centre of the facade has a six-panelled door and mullioned sidelights.

Many of the six-on-six paned windows in the main part of the building retain the original glass.

The original door to the wine cellar below the former hotel bar is still in place. Steps to that outside entrance down which the barrels were rolled, are protected by a simple verandah

The interior of this historic building contains many original features. These include wide pine floorboards; a long front hall and stairway; graciously proportioned ground floor rooms; original kitchen and storage pantry; and an enclosed back stairs.

The floor plan of the front section of this building is almost identical to that of the hotel in Upper Canada Village, which also dates from 1850.

Also situated on the property is the original brick smoke-house, one of the few still in existence in Flamborough.

2. The two-storey brick home of Mr. and Mrs. George Pearson, is a handsome example of the classic Georgian style house.

The strongly marked stone quoins; the low hipped roof; the central doorway, flanked by a six-on-six window on either side and the three matching windows directly above the ground floor openings, combine to present a satisfying sense of balance and of solid durability.

The large stone lintels over doorway and windows; the windows' solid stone lugsills, and the stone course underpinning the brick construction add to that impression of enduring strength.

The doorway retains the original door, sidelights and transom and the five front windows their original shutters.

The one original chimney rises above the rear wing of the house.

The two-storey rear wing of the building is of the same brick construction as the main part of the house. A clapboard addition along the west wall of the wing accommodates a protected entrance to the kitchen door and an office for the owner of the property.

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At the front entrance, a useful vestibule is created by an inner door to the long hallway. The long, straight stairway leads up from the rear of the hall so that it is readily accessible to the kitchen as well as to the three front rooms. The original walnut handrail and gracefully turned newel post and balusters of the staircase, the deep baseboards, wide pine floor boards, and the fireplace which has replaced the original one in the same location, are worthy of note.

The original 200 acre lot, on a small part of which the home and barns stand, was granted by the Crown to King's College early in 1828.

The 100 acres of the north-west half of the lot and a small adjoining piece of the south half passed through the hands of three subsequent owners before James Forbes bought it in 1857.

It is thought that Forbes built the home in his first year of owning and farming this property.

Since 1913, it has been owned and occupied by the Pearson family. George A. Pearson established one of the first pure-bred Ayrshire herds in this part of Ontario, and in 1916, developed the Avonsyde Dairy.