BY-LAW NUMBER 8757

A BY-LAW TO DESIGNATE 88 KING STREET IN THE CITY OF WELLAND, KNOWN AS CENTRAL UNITED CHURCH, OF HISTORIC OR ARCHITECTURAL VALUE OR INTEREST

WHEREAS the Ontario Heritage Act, R. S. O. 1980, chapter 337, 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 Welland has caused to be served upon the owner of the lands and premises municipally known as 88 King Street, commonly known as Central United Church, 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, once a week for each of three consecutive weeks;

AND WHEREAS no Notice of Objection to the proposed designation was served upon the Clerk of the City of Welland.

NOW THEREFORE THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF WELLAND ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

- 1. That the real property, more particularly described in Schedule "A" attached hereto and forming part of this By-law, known as Central United Church at 88 King Street in the City of Welland, be designated as being of historic or architectural value or interest.
- 2. The City Solicitor is hereby authorized to cause a copy of this
 By-law to be registered against the property described in said Schedule
 "A" attached 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 Welland.

READ A FIRST, SECOND AND THIRD TIME AND PASSED BY COUNCIL THIS

3rd DAY OF November 1987.

MAYOR

CLERK

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SCHEDULE "A"

TO

CITY OF WELLAND BY-LAW 8757

PASSED THE 3rd day of November 1987.

Roland Haude MAYOR CLERK

ALL AND SINGULAR that certain parcel or tract of land and premises, situate, lying and being in the City of Welland in the Regional Municipality of Niagara and being composed of the following:

FIRSTLY:

Lot Number Two on the east side of Canal Street, (also known as South Main Street which was changed to King Street by City of Welland By-law 915, passed the 18th day of June 1935 and registered the 2nd day of October 1935 as No. 12241) in the Town of Welland, now the City of Welland, according to registered map of said Town, being Registered Plan No. 6 for the Village of Merrittville, known as the Fitch and Griffith Plan, now known as Plan 555, as described in Instrument No. 758.

SECONDLY:

The westerly 40 feet by an even width throughout from front to rear of Lot 4 on the north side of Young Street in the said City of Welland, according to said Plan No. 6, now known as Plan 555, as described in Instrument NO. 14478.

THIRDLY:

Lot Number One, on the east side of the said Canal Street, now King Street, in the said City of Welland, according to the duly Registered Plan thereof, being theBurgar Plan No. 39 for the Town of Welland, now in the City of Welland, now known as Plan 587, as described in Instrument No. 2890.

FOURTHLY:

- (1) Village Lot Number One on said registered map or Plan No. 6, now and Griffith known as Plan 555, drawn by Henry T. Ross for Nathan T. Fitch fronting Plan on the said Canal Street, now King Street, being about one fifth of an acre;
- (2) Village Lot Number Three on said map or plan No. 6, now known as Plan Plan 555, fronting on Young Street on the North side of said Street,

both parcels (1) and (2) being more particularly described in a deed from Thomas Armstrong to the Party hereto of the first part dated January 31st, 1878 and registered on the same day in the registry office for the County of Welland as Number 23, as described in Instrument No. 501.

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Section 39(6)(A)(i) REASONS FOR DESIGNATION
OF CENTRAL UNITED CHURCH--88 KING STREET, WELLAND
PURSUANT TO THE
ONTARIO HERITAGE ACT, R. S. O. 1980, CHAPTER 337

The Central Methodist, and subsequently Central United Church, has been situated in the centre of Welland since 1862, and on the existing site since 1882. The Church is a central focal point within the City and has had an active presence with the community. The perseverance of its parishoners through the early stages of development, and through a period of disaster in 1907, signifies the spirit of members of Central United Church and of the Church in general.

The original structure erected on this site in 1882 was of Italianate design. During the 25th Anniversary of the new building in 1907, disaster struck twice. A roof fire in June of that year created water damage throughout the structure. Two months later, a city street roller with spiked wheels ruptured a gas main. The resulting explosion and fire demolished this fine structure leaving only the bell tower and foundation walls standing by nightfall.

The Church was rebuilt on the same foundation walls reflecting both the style and character of the original structure. The cut stone foundation of broken coursing rises to a height of approximately eight feet, where it meets the orange brick walls. A continuous stone band runs around the church dividing the foundation from the brick portion. The original bell tower and enclosed staircase was retained. The architectural and historical significance of the bell tower and facade of the church proper is deemed significant.

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