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BY-LAW NO. 90- 230

A By-law of The Corporaton of the City of Barrie to designate the property known municipally as 72 High Street, Barrie, Ontario as being of architectural and 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 and structures thereon, to be of architectural or historic value or interest;

AND WHEREAS the Council of The Corporation of the City of Barrie has caused to be served on the owners of the lands and premises at 72 High Street, Barrie, Ontario, 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 the same newspaper having general circulation in the municipality once for each of three consecutive weeks;

AND WHEREAS no notice of objection to the proposed designation has been served on the Clerk of the municipality;

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

1. THAT there is designated as being of architectural and historical value or interest the real property at 72 High Street, Barrie, Ontario, more particularly described as follows:

All of Lots 10 and 11 on the West Side of High Street and Part of Lots 10 and 11 on the East Side of Parkside Drive, (formerly Small Street), according to Registered Plan Number 129, City of Barrie, County of Simcoe.

Reasons for the Proposed Designation:

The residence at 72 High Street, known as Maplehurst, was built in 1883 by Nathaniel Dyment for his eldest son, Simon. Maplehurst has both historical and architectural significance.

Historical Significance

Since Nathaniel's arrival in 1870, the Dyment family has been an integral part of both the industrial and sporting activity in Barrie.

Nathaniel founded the lumbering conglomerate Mickle-Dyment Lumber Company, and with family members founded and/or directed the Barrie Gas Company Limited; Dyment Foundry Company; Barrie Carriage Company; Barrie Tanning Company; and other local and national enterprises.

Apart from their extensive business operations, the Dyments were sports enthusiasts and promoters. Nathaniel established the renowned Brookdale Stables for breeding and racing thoroughbred horses many of which were Queen's Plate winners. Albert was President of the Ontario Jockey Club, and Brookdale's trainer, John, is credited with founding the Barrie Colts junior hockey team. Herbert is in the Canadian Boxing Sports Hall of Fame.

As all of their business sites and private estates are now gone or renovated, Maplehurst remains as the only historic evidence of this once conspicuous and distinguished family.

Architectural Significance

The west side of High Street is a row of high quality, historic residences built by prominent Barrie families. Maplehurst is an important component of this attractive streetscape. Only the main house and not the rear (west) additions nor the outbuildings are to be designated.

Maplehurst is a solid brick, detached, two and one half storey, L-shaped Victorian Gothic style residence. The dichromatic brickwork has been overpainted and the original ground and second storey porches replaced.

The roof is a combination of medium gables and high hip with one triangular roof dormer on the east; all with projecting eaves. The decorative work consists of paired carved scrolled cornice brackets and vergeboards with semi-circular open sunburst motifs. The two storey bay on the east has a vaulted roof with a half acorn finial and semi-circular pediment with sunburst motif. Smaller scale brackets appear at the first and second storey cornice levels of the east bay and on the one storey south bay. Except for the roof dormer all windows are segmental with a radiating voussoir and keystone in protruding brick. Each has double hung sash with a wood moulded frame and wood lugsill.

The most outstanding features of Maplehurst are the interior decorative plasterwork and wood trim. An elaborate plaster cornice with horizontal carved flowers intersected every approximately 60cm by two carved roses and two leaves is in the southwest room and the ground and second floor (east of central arch only on second floor) centre halls. These areas and the northeast room also have ceiling medallions. Both centre halls have an arch supported by two decorated wall brackets. The bay area in the northeast room has a panelled arch with two decorated wall brackets. The northwest and northeast room (which were originally one room) have an elaborate cornice moulding.

The staircase from the ground level centre hall to the second floor is a U-shape with turned balusters and polygonal newels. It has a closed stairwall and two ground floor ceiling drops. The main (east) entrance has a segmental door opening with two sidelights. All other double and single doors have four vertical panels with or without a mid horizontal moulding. The northeast and northwest rooms and ground level centre hall are trimmed

with moulded wood trim in a pilaster-like style with right and left top projections with incised decoration. All other areas have a boxed corner trim. Moulded wood baseboards are throughout. Some fireplaces and interior embellishments have survived.

- 2. THAT the Municipal Solicitor is hereby authorized to cause a copy of this By-law to be registered against the properties described in Section 1 of this By-law in the proper Land Registry Office.
- 3. THAT the Clerk is hereby authorized to cause a copy of this By-law to be served on the owners of the aforesaid properties and on the Ontario Heritage Foundation and to cause notice of the passing of this By-law to be published in the same newspaper having general circulation in the municipality once for each of three consecutive weeks.
- 4. THAT this By-law shall come into force and have effect immediately upon the final passing thereof.

READ a first and second time this 25th $\,$ day of June $\,$, A.D., 1990.

READ a third time and finally passed this 25th day of June , A.D., 1990.

THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF BARRIE

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