

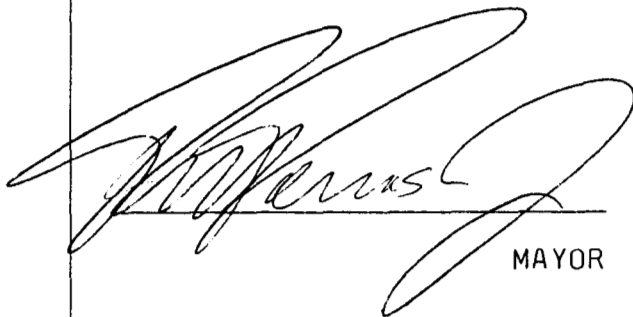
THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF OAKVILLE
BY-LAW 1988-159

A by-law to designate a certain property as
a property of historical and architectural
value and interest (484 Falgarwood Dr.).

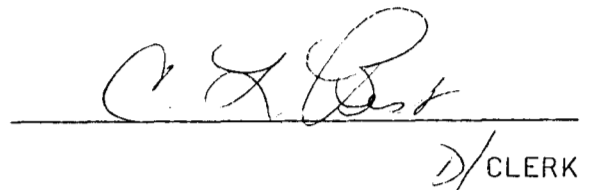
THE COUNCIL ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

1. The property municipally known as 484 Falgarwood Drive, the Laurel Hill House, is hereby designated as a property of historical and architectural value and interest pursuant to the Ontario Heritage Act for the reasons set out in Schedule "A" to this by-law.
2. The property designated by this by-law is the property described in Schedule "B" attached to this by-law.

PASSED by the Council this 21st day of July, 1988.



MAYOR



D/CLERK

SCHEDULE "A"

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Reasons for Designation

Historically, the property was first purchased from the Crown by Andrew Kitchen, in 1807. In 1826, the property was purchased by an United Empire Loyalist, Samuel Crippens. The property was then sold, in 1827, to Alexander Proudfoot who was connected with the Trafalgar Post Office. Proudfoot owned the property until 1833. During this time, a one-storey frame building was on the property.

Proudfoot married Amelia Jarvis (Jarvis family of York). As a general storekeeper, he purchased staves, timber, wheat and ash which would be shipped to Kingston and then to England. Proudfoot also held office when he was appointed the Magistrate for the Gore District in 1833. He served as a Major in the Gore Militia under Wm. Chisholm. Proudfoot eventually became a Lieutenant Colonel of the First Battalion of Halton. Proudfoot was also a Church Warden of the St. Judes Anglican Church.

Another leading citizen who purchased the property was James Arnott. He owned the property from 1834 to 1847. Arnott was one of the co-signers who incorporated the Oakville Hydraulic Company. It was the first company incorporated in Upper Canada to develop water power for manufacturing. Arnott also contributed to the community. In 1853, he served on the first Committee of Officers of the Mechanics Institute. In 1855, he was a school Trustee of the Halton County Grammar School.

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In 1854, the farm was sold to James Robertson. In 1858 the assessment rolls show a considerable jump in the property value which suggests the present building was constructed. Robertson named the property Laurel Hill which was the custom of the day.

Architecturally, the building at 484 Falgarwood Drive is a fine example of a farm residence constructed in the Victorian style. The structure exhibits strong Gothic revival elements particularly the window, the decorative bargeboard, the high pitched multi-gabled roof, the doorway detail including the flat transom with multiple lights, decorative trim and sidelights. The house also exhibits three sets of brick chimneys.

Contextually, although the original 200 acres have been subdivided, the house sits on a relatively large lot with several varieties of trees including a rare species for the area known as Chadbark Hickory.

SCHEDULE "B"

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ALL AND SINGULAR that certain parcel or tract of land situate, lying and being in the Town of Oakville, in the Regional Municipality of Halton and being composed of part of Lot 11, Concession 2, South of Dundas Street and which said parcel of land may be more particularly described as follows:

PREMISING that the course of Falgarwood Drive across the hereindescribed land as set out by Plan M-33 has a bearing of North 0 degrees 53 minutes 30 seconds East and relating all beaings herein thereto;

COMMENCING at an iron bar planted in the easterly limit of Falgarwood Drive distant 60 feet measured northerly therealong from the most northerly angle of Lot 27, Plan M-33;

THENCE continuing along the easterly limit of Falgarwood Drive on a bearing of North 0 degrees 53 minutes 30 seconds East a distance of 72.83 feet to an iron bar planted;

THENCE continuing therealong on the arc of a circular curve to the right having a radius of 76.80 feet a chord distance of 21.22 feet at North 09 degress 00 minutes East to an iron bar planted;

THENCE South 64 degrees 35 minutes East 213.35 feet to an iron bar planted in the westerly limit of Miscellaneous Plan No. 136;

THENCE South 15 degrees 13 minutes West 71.36 feet to an iron bar planted;

THENCE North 46 degrees 50 minutes West 96.46 feet to an iron ba planted;

THENCE North 73 degrees 34 minutes West 67.1 feet to the point of commencement.