

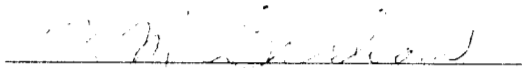
THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF OAKVILLE
BY-LAW 1993-48

A by-law to designate 183 Lakeshore Road East
as a property of historical, architectural,
and contextual value and interest

THE COUNCIL ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

1. The property municipally known as 183 Lakeshore Road East is hereby designated as a property of historical, architectural, and contextual value and interest pursuant to the Ontario Heritage Act for 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 26th day of May, 1993.



11/ MAYOR



A/CLERK

SCHEDULE "A" TO BY-LAW 1993-48

The building at 183 Lakeshore Road East was built in 1903 in conjunction with the adjacent and similarly styled Davis Block (187-189 Lakeshore Road East) as a multiple occupant commercial structure. The building contained room for offices on the upper level and a store on the lower level. Although this building has housed a number of businesses over the years, by far the most notable occupant was the Byers Drug Store.

The drug store was originally owned by Lorne Springstead, however within a few years, the business was sold to John R. Byers. John R. Byers was born in Mitchel, Ontario, graduated from the University of Toronto, School of Pharmacy in 1895, and came to Oakville one year later to work as a pharmacist in Urquhart's Medical Hall (182 Lakeshore Road East).

Byers was an active figure in the public life of Oakville. He served on the Town Council for over fifteen years, holding office in the capacity of Councillor, Deputy Reeve, and Reeve. He was also a member of the Board of Education and the Welfare Board, the Oakville Rotary Club, and Master of the Oakville Masonic Lodge. Further, he was an involved member of the St. Jude's Anglican Church, where he was a member of the Choir, Warden, and the Chairman of the St. Jude's Cemetery Board.

In addition to his civic and pharmaceutical duties, John R. Byers was also an optometrist and an agent for the C.P.R. In 1946, Byers retired after over fifty years of practice in Oakville.

One of the earliest occupants of the upper level of the 183 Lakeshore Road East was a private school for girls. The school was established in 1912, by a Miss Willis and a Miss Boulton. In 1914, Miss Vera Crossley took over management of the school and it continued in this location for several years.

Another use for the second floor of 183 Lakeshore Road East, was a dental office. During the years between the First and Second World War, this space was occupied by Dr. J.C. Duff, Dr. W. Anderson and Dr. F. Murray Deans. Dr. Deans was very active in the public life of Oakville. From 1941-1944, he was Mayor of Oakville and in 1948 he was a Liberal candidate for the Provincial Legislature. He was the first President of the Oakville's Lion's Club, and National President of the organization in 1939. Deans also managed and coached Oakville's first O.H.A. Intermediate Hockey Champions, in 1934.

The building at 183 Lakeshore Road East is a typical, turn of the century, commercial structure. The building has a two storey facade which continues the Italianate architectural features of the adjacent Davis Block (187-189 Lakeshore Road East). These features include: double hung windows with stone lintels and sills, masonry bracketing and corbelled brick bands towards the top of the parapet which is capped by a cut stone coping. The storefront on this building had been altered significantly, however the basic form and scale of the original remain intact.

The building at 183 Lakeshore Road East, is an important contributor to the downtown, and in conjunction with the buildings on either side, from 179-195 Lakeshore Road East, it forms a part of an uninterrupted heritage streetscape.

ALL AND SINGULAR that certain parcel of land and premises situate, lying and being in the Town of Oakville, in the Regional Municipality of Halton (formerly in the County of Halton) and Province of Ontario, being composed of Part of Lot E, Block 6, according to a Plan registered as Number 1 and which said parcel may be more particularly described as follows:

COMMENCING at a point in the southeasterly limit of said Lot E, distant 31.92 feet measured southwesterly therealong from the most easterly angle thereof; the said point of commencement being also the easterly face of the easterly wall of the building on the herein described lands;

THENCE northwesterly along the last mentioned limit and the production thereof in all a distance of 104.33 feet to a point in the northwesterly limit of said Lot E, distant 31.91 feet measured southwesterly therealong from the most northerly angle thereof;

THENCE southwesterly along the said northwesterly limit of Lot E, a distance of 20.0 feet to the point of intersection with the production of the southwesterly face of the southwesterly wall of the building standing on the herein described land;

THENCE southeasterly along the last mentioned limit and the production thereof in all a distance of 104.33 feet to the said southeasterly limit of Lot E;

THENCE northwesterly therealong 20.13 feet to the point of commencement.