



The Municipal Corporation of the Town of Fort Erie

BY-LAW NO. 101-2003

BEING A BY-LAW TO DESIGNATE LANDS AT 3347 BOWEN ROAD AS BEING OF HISTORICAL VALUE OR INTEREST (3107)

WHEREAS Section 29 of the *Ontario Heritage Act*, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter O.18, as amended, authorizes the council of a municipality to pass a by-law to designate a property within the municipality to be of historic or architectural value or interest, and

WHEREAS notice of intention to designate as required under Section 29(1) of the aforesaid Act was served on the owner of the property described as lands and buildings on the south side of Bowen Road, Part Lot 8, Concession 10, NR in the former Township of Bertie now in the Town of Fort Erie and known municipally as 3347 Bowen Road, and upon the Ontario Heritage Foundation, and

WHEREAS notice of intention to so designate the aforesaid property was published in The Times, a newspaper having general circulation in the Town of Fort Erie, on April 5, 12 and 19, 2003, and

WHEREAS the reasons for the designation are set out in Schedule "A" annexed hereto and forming part of this by-law, and

WHEREAS no notice of objection to the proposed designation has been served on the Clerk of the Town of Fort Erie;

NOW THEREFORE the Municipal Council of The Corporation of the Town of Fort Erie hereby enacts as follows:

1. **THAT** the property known municipally as 3347 Bowen Road and described as Part Lot 8 Concession 10, NR in the former Township of Bertie now in the Town of Fort Erie, in the Regional Municipality of Niagara, be and it is hereby designated as being of historical value or interest under the *Ontario Heritage Act*.
2. **THAT** the Clerk shall cause a copy of this by-law to be registered against the title to the aforesaid property in the local Land Registry Office, as required by Section 29(6)(a) of the *Ontario Heritage Act*.
3. **THAT** the Clerk shall cause a copy of this by-law to be served on the owner of the aforesaid property and on the Ontario Heritage Foundation and to cause notice of the passing of this by-law to be published in The Times, a newspaper having general circulation in the municipality.

4. THAT the Clerk shall include the designation of the aforesaid property in the Register which is kept by the Clerk of the Town of Fort Erie pursuant to Section 27 of the *Ontario Heritage Act*, R.S.O., Chapter O.18, as amended.

READ A FIRST, SECOND AND THIRD TIME AND FINALLY PASSED THIS 12TH DAY OF MAY, 2003.



MAYOR



CLERK

I, the Clerk, Carolyn J. Kett, of The Corporation of the Town of Fort Erie hereby certify the foregoing to be a true certified copy of By-law No. -2003 of the said Town. Given under my hand and the seal of the said Corporation this day of , 2 .

SCHEDULE "A"
TO
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REASONS FOR DESIGNATION
3347 BOWEN ROAD

Francis Kraft (born 1808, died 1855) and Katherine Margaret (Westrman) (born 1806, died 1879) purchased the Bowen Road property from John Troup in 1855.

George Kraft the third child of Francis and Katherine Margaret Kraft purchased 50 acres, the west half of lot 8 concession 10 from Francis Kraft in 1879.

George Kraft and his wife Minerva had eleven children, the second one being James Lewis Kraft who was born on this site December 17, 1874.

In 1890 at the age of 16 James Lewis Kraft moved to Fort Erie to work in Ferguson's Grocery Store located on the Niagara Boulevard.

At the age of twenty eight in 1902 James Lewis Kraft moved to Buffalo where he worked in the dairy department of Loblaws Grocery Store. There he met a man from McLaren Cheese of Montreal. They experimented until they found the perfect cheese. They formed their own Cheese Company but in 1903 they moved to Chicago where J.L. Kraft's brothers Charles, Frederick, Norman and John joined him. This Company became known as the J.L. Kraft Cheese Company.

On February 16, 1953 J.L. Kraft died during the Company's 50th Anniversary leaving behind one of the largest food companies in North America.