

Authority: Toronto and East York Community Council Item 4.6,
as adopted by City of Toronto Council on April 23 and 24, 2007
Enacted by Council: December 16, 2010

CITY OF TORONTO

BY-LAW No. 29-2011

**To designate the property at 570 King Street West (Toronto Silver Plate Building)
as being of cultural heritage value or interest.**

WHEREAS authority was granted by Council to designate the property at 570 King Street West (Toronto Silver Plate Building) as being of cultural heritage value or interest; and

WHEREAS the *Ontario Heritage Act* authorizes the Council of a municipality to enact by-laws to designate real property, including all buildings and structures located thereon, to be of cultural heritage value or interest; and

WHEREAS the Council of the City of Toronto has caused to be served upon the owners of the land and premises known as 570 King Street West and upon the Ontario Heritage Trust, a Notice of Intention to designate the property and has caused the Notice of Intention to be posted on the City's web site for a period of 30 days in accordance with Municipal Code Chapter 162, Notice, Public, Article II, § 162-4, Notice requirements under the *Ontario Heritage Act*; and

WHEREAS the reasons for designation are set out in Schedule "A" to this by-law; and

WHEREAS no notice of objection was served upon the Clerk of the municipality;

The Council of the City of Toronto HEREBY ENACTS as follows:

1. The property at 570 King Street West, more particularly described in Schedule "B" and shown on Schedule "C" attached to this by-law, is designated as being of cultural heritage value or interest.
2. The City Solicitor is authorized to cause a copy of this by-law to be registered against the property described in Schedule "B" to this by-law in the proper Land Registry Office.
3. The City Clerk is authorized to cause a copy of this by-law to be served upon the owners of the property at 570 King Street West and upon the Ontario Heritage Trust and to cause notice of this by-law to be posted on the City's web site for a period of 30 days in accordance with Municipal Code Chapter 162, Notice, Public, Article II, § 162-4, Notice requirements under the *Ontario Heritage Act*.

ENACTED AND PASSED this 16th day of December, A.D. 2010.

FRANCES NUNZIATA,
Speaker

ULLI S. WATKISS
City Clerk

(Corporate Seal)

SCHEDULE "A"

REASONS FOR DESIGNATION

570 King Street West: Toronto Silver Plate Building

Description:

The property at 570 King Street West is worthy of designation under Part IV of the *Ontario Heritage Act* for its cultural heritage value or interest, and meets the criteria for designation prescribed by the Province of Ontario under the three categories of design or physical value, historical value and contextual value. Located on the north side of King Street West, east of Portland Street, the building was constructed in 1882 for the Toronto Silver Plate Company. The was included on the City of Toronto Inventory of Heritage Properties in 2005.

Statement of Cultural Heritage Value:

The cultural heritage value of the Toronto Silver Plate Building is related to its design or physical value as a representative example of a late 19th century industrial building, which is distinguished from other factories in the area by its design. The rectangular plan is aligned on the site so that the long south wall is parallel to King Street West, while the gable roof with a central gable peak and a ventilator is an unusual feature on an industrial building in the area.

The cultural heritage value of the Toronto Silver Plate Building also relates to its historical value as one of the earliest surviving factory complexes in the King-Spadina neighbourhood. The neighbouring Gurney Stove Factory (1872) at 500 and 520 King Street West is the only identified industrial building in the area that predates the construction of the Toronto Silver Plate Building and is recognized on the City's Inventory of Heritage Properties.

The cultural heritage value of the Toronto Silver Plate Building is also connected to its contextual value as it defines, maintains and supports the industrial appearance and character of the King-Spadina neighbourhood. Its construction in the late 19th century preceded the development of the area as the City's manufacturing centre after the Great Fire of 1904.

Heritage Attributes:

The heritage attributes of the Toronto Silver Plate Building related to its cultural heritage value as a representative example of a late 19th century industrial building are found on the exterior walls and roof, with attention focused on the principal (south) façade and the side (east and west) walls of the original (south) building, consisting of:

- The red brick cladding with brick and stone trim.
- The 3½ storey rectangular-shaped plan, oriented so that the long south wall forms the principal façade.
- The gable roof with brick end chimneys (the chimneys have been altered).

- The brick and wood-clad base of the central roof ventilator (the hipped roof ventilator, shown in historical images, has been removed).
- The organization of the south façade into 11 bays with a central three-bay frontispiece beneath a gable that contains a trio of round-arched window openings.
- The fenestration on the south façade, where segmental-arched window openings with brick voussoirs are placed in the lower two stories, and flat-headed window openings with lintels and sills are positioned in the third floor.
- The side (east and west) elevations, where the shape of the fenestration is continued from the south façade (the west wall is partially concealed by the neighbouring building).

The Reasons for Designation do not include the single-storey flat-roofed addition on the south façade, the rear (north) wall, or the rear (north) attachments to the original building.

SCHEDULE "B"

PIN 21239-0218 (LT)

Lot 21 and parts of Lots 4 and 22 Section G Plan of the Military Reserve Toronto as in WF43308.

City of Toronto, Province of Ontario

Land Titles Division of the Toronto Registry Office (No. 66)

The hereinbefore described land being delineated by heavy outline on Sketch No. PS-2007-204 dated August 23, 2007, as set out in Schedule "C".

SCHEDULE "C"

