CITY OF TORONTO

BY-LAW No. 244-2006

To designate the property at 110 Charles Street West (McKinsey and Company Building) as being of cultural heritage value or interest.

WHEREAS authority was granted by Council to designate the property at 110 Charles Street West (McKinsey and Company 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 the buildings and structures 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 110 Charles Street West and upon the Ontario Heritage Trust, Notice of Intention to designate the property and has caused the Notice of Intention to be published in a newspaper having a general circulation in the municipality as required by 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 withdrawal 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 110 Charles 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 110 Charles Street West and upon the Ontario Heritage Trust and to cause notice of this by-law to be published in a newspaper having general circulation in the City of Toronto as required by the Ontario Heritage Act.

ENACTED AND PASSED this 27th day of April, A.D. 2006.

DAVID R. MILLER, 
Mayor

ULLI S. WATKISS
City Clerk

(Corporate Seal)
SCHEDULE “A”

REASONS FOR DESIGNATION

Description

The property at 110 Charles 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 both design or physical value and contextual value. Located on the north side of Charles Street West between Queen’s Park (west) and St. Thomas Street (east), the building was completed in 1999 as the corporate headquarters in Toronto of McKinsey and Company, the international management consultants. The project was a business and academic partnership with Victoria University at the University of Toronto.

Statement of Cultural Heritage Value

The cultural heritage value of the McKinsey and Company Building is related to its architectural design by the Toronto firm of Hariri Pontarini Architects (formerly Taylor Hariri Pontarini), with Siamak Hariri as the partner-in-charge. The project received immediate recognition, including the Architectural Excellence Award from the Ontario Association of Architects and a Toronto Architecture and Urban Design Award, both in 2000.

The cultural heritage value of the site also relates to its contextual prominence. Placed on land leased from Victoria University, the McKinsey and Company Building complements the neighbouring heritage buildings, among them Burwash Hall (opposite), with its low scale, setbacks and application of natural materials.

Heritage Attributes

The heritage attributes of the McKinsey and Company Building related to its cultural heritage value as an exemplary example of architectural design are found on the exterior and interior of the building and in its landscaped setting:

- the low-rise plan, extending to three stories and comprised of two main wings that connect at a three-storey open interior courtyard with natural lighting;
- the application of natural finishes, including the cut and rubble limestone applied as the exterior cladding and the chimneys; the copper detailing used for the window sills and the coping, including the canopy marking the main (south) entrance; and the teak and mahogany frames for the large expanses of horizontally and vertically-oriented glazing;
- the exterior landscaped courtyard defined by low brick walls; and
- on the interior, the courtyard with exposed architectural concrete, wood and stone finishes; the main-floor gathering place known as the “Hive” with its winding stone staircase, stone fireplace and skylight; and the custom-designed built-in furnishings from Italy.
PIN 21415-0015 (LT).
PARCEL 11-3, SEC A-97, LOTS 11, 12 AND 16 AND PART OF LOT 17, PLAN 97 AND
PART OF CHARLES ST W (FORMERLY CZAR ST, CLOSED BY BY-LAW 21318, REG AS
INST NO 119372EP), ALL ON PLAN 97 AND PT BLOCK A, PLAN 211-E, DES AS PT 3,
PLAN 66R17748

City of Toronto and 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-2006-36 dated
April 4, 2006, as set out in Schedule “C”.
SCHEDULE "C"

ST. THOMAS STREET

SULTAN STREET

No.110

MCKINSEY AND COMPANY BUILDING

CHARLES STREET WEST

PROPERTY INFORMATION SHEET

No. 110 CHARLES STREET WEST
(MCKINSEY AND COMPANY BUILDING)
LAND DESIGNATED AS BEING OF
CULTURAL HERITAGE VALUE AND INTEREST
(NOT TO SCALE)

WARD 27 - TORONTO CENTRE-ROSEDALE
DATE: APRIL 4, 2006

SKETCH No. PS-2006-036