

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF AMHERSTBURG

BY-LAW NO. 2007-31

**Being a By-law to designate the property at 671 Front Road North
and known as Thomas Ouellette Manor
as being of architectural and cultural
heritage value or interest**

WHEREAS authority was granted by Council to designate the property at 671 Front Road North and known as the Thomas Ouellette Manor 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 Town of Amherstburg has caused to be served upon the owners of the land and premises known as 671 Front Road North and known as the Thomas Ouellette Manor 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 objection to the proposed designation was served upon the Clerk of the municipality;

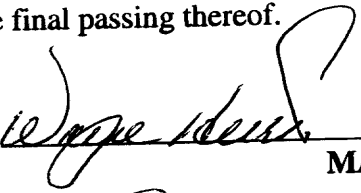
1. The Council of the Town of Amherstburg **HEREBY ENACTS** as follows:

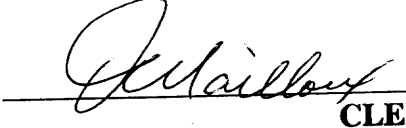
The property 671 Front Road North and known as the Thomas Ouellette Manor, more particularly described in Schedule "A" attached to this by-law, is designated as being of cultural heritage value or interest.

2. The Town Solicitor is authorized to cause a copy of this by-law to be registered against the property described in Schedule "A" to this by-law in the proper Land Registry Office.

3. The Town Clerk is authorized to cause a copy of this by-law to be served upon the owners of the property at 671 Front Road North and known as the Thomas Ouellette Manor 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 Town of Amherstburg as required by the *Ontario Heritage Act*.

This by-law shall come into force and effect on the day of the final passing thereof.


MAYOR


CLERK

1ST Reading: April 10, 2007

2ND Reading: April 10, 2007

3RD Reading: April 10, 2007

SCHEDULE "A"
Building Inventory Form
Thomas Ouellette Manor – "Island View"



Description of Property:

Building Name:	Island View Manor
Street Location:	671 Front Road North
County:	Essex
Town:	Town of Amherstburg
Builder:	***
Ownership:	Private
Original Owner:	Thomas Ouellette
Original Use	Private Residence
Present Use:	Private residence
Date of Construction:	1881

Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest:

The Thomas Ouellette manor's (or "Island View" as it was named by the original owner) heritage value lies in it being an example of French Second Empire architecture as can be seen in the architectural details at the Mansard roof, tall, narrow windows and ornate corbels and detail works. The majority of the building remains in its original form, with a rear facing section being removed in the 1960's. This building was constructed by the owner in 1881 from plans by ***.

The homestead's cultural heritage value lies in its association with its original owner Thomas Ouellette, a successful lumber baron from a well known Essex County family.

Description of Heritage Attributes:

Key exterior attributes that embody the heritage value of Island View include:

- The prominent siting of the house on the lot.
- The decorative wooden ornaments typical to Second Empire styling
- The symmetrical placement of windows to a central entrance door
- Grooved wood siding designed to look like stone block
- Large, columned front and side porches

Other Attributes:

A number of efforts have been put forth by the present and past owners to maintain the home's community prominence:

- Annual participation in Doors Open Amherstburg
- Featured home in various publications and on local cable & broadcast television
- Well known and identified in the community and surrounding area