



## REGISTER OF DESIGNATED PROPERTIES

*Ontario Heritage Act, R. S. O. 1990, c. O.18, s. 27*

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### THE ORILLIA OPERA HOUSE

By-law No. 1978-294 - passed September 11, 1978

#### Legal Description

Orillia Opera House.

All and singular that certain parcel or tract of land and premises situate, lying and being in the City of Orillia, in the County of Simcoe, and being composed of part of Market Block as shown on a Plan registered in the Registry Division for the County of Simcoe as Plan No. 180, described as follows:

Commencing at the intersection of the Northerly limit of Mississaga Street and the Westerly limit of West Street (Northwest corner of Mississaga Street and West Street);

Thence Northerly 125 feet along the Westerly limit of West Street to a point;

Thence Westerly along a line parallel to Mississaga Street a distance of 182.75 feet to a point;

Thence Southerly in a line parallel to West Street 125 feet to a point;

Thence Easterly along the North limit of Mississaga Street a distance of 182.75 to the POINT OF COMMENCEMENT.

#### Name and Address of Owner

Corporation of the City of Orillia  
50 Andrew Street South  
Orillia, ON L3V 7T5

#### Municipal Address

20 Mississaga Street West

#### Reasons for Designation

The Orillia Opera House on West Street had been recommended for designation for historical and architectural reasons. Built in 1895, this predominately brick building had served as a Town Hall, theatre, market, municipal offices, police station and jail. In 1915 The Opera House was gutted by fire and reopened two years later. The interior maintains several original features typical of the period of construction. In its detachment from the neighboring commercial blocks this twin turreted structure with its detailed cornice and brickwork lends an impressive air to downtown Orillia.