



## REGISTER OF DESIGNATED PROPERTIES

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

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### THE KEAN'S BLOCK

By-law No. 2003 – 27 – Passed March 3, 2003

#### Legal Description

The Kean's Block  
19-27 Mississaga Street East  
Orillia, ON

Parcel 2-1 S/S Miss-1, Section 51-12, being Part of Lot 3, South side of Mississaga Street, Plan 12, designated as Parts 1 and 4, on Plan 51R-15258, City of Orillia, County of Simcoe.  
Being PIN 58667-0086(LT)

#### Name and Address of Owner

Sheldon Godfrey  
Consortium Capital Projects  
Anchor Rock Construction  
258 Adelaide Street East, Suite 200  
Toronto, ON M5A 1N1

#### Reasons for Designation

Frank Kean was among the first to construct a building following the 1872 fire on the south side of Mississaga Street. Completed early in 1873, the style is more in keeping with commercial blocks erected in the first half of the nineteenth century. Constructed in a red and likely buff brick combination, the two storey form and triangular pediment present a simple but attractive row of storefronts.

As a businessman, owner of the popular Music Hall, politician, member of the Masonic Order, president of the Agricultural Society, and with other endeavours, Frank Kean's contributions to Orillia were many. Even with their deaths at a young age, his sons Albert, Milton and Boulton are noted in Orillia's history. Kean's, later Devlin's Block, has housed a significant number of merchants and professionals. It is an important component of Orillia's commercial district.