



The Corporation of the City of

Peterborough

By-Law Number 26-0XX

Being a By-law to Designate Certain Properties in the City of Peterborough
Under the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. O.18 (368 George Street
North/140-142 Simcoe Street)

The Corporation of the City of Peterborough by its Council thereof hereby enacts as follows:

That the hereinafter described properties be and are hereby designated to be of historical and architectural value or interest pursuant to the provisions of the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. 0.18, for the reasons hereafter stated:

368 George Street North/140-142 Simcoe Street – The Peterborough Hardware Company Building

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Reason for Designation

368 George Street North/140-142 Simcoe Street has cultural heritage value as a landmark late-Victorian commercial building in Peterborough's downtown core. Like most commercial buildings in the core, it is an example of the Italianate style, though uniquely has elements of the Romanesque Revival style. This combination of styles allows the building to seamlessly continue the commercial core, while standing as a landmark property. The building's massing and large expanses of windows showcase the progress made in building technology in the Victorian era.

The building was constructed in 1893-1894 to house the Peterborough Hardware Company. It is the work of prominent local architect John E. Belcher. The brickwork was done by local contractor J. J. Hartley. It has strong associative value as the long-time home of the Peterborough Hardware Company from its time of completion until 1936. The company was founded by prominent local business and politicians, including R. B. McKee, R. S. Davidson, R. H. Fortye, and Harry Phelan.

Heritage Attributes

The Reasons for Designation include the following heritage attributes and apply to all elevations and the roof including all façades, entrances, windows, chimneys, and trim, together with construction materials of wood, brick, stone, terracotta, metal and glazing, their related building techniques and landscape features:

Exterior Elements:

- Three story brick construction
- Brackets
- Corbels
- Cornice
- Flat roof

- Pilasters
- Moulding
- Coursing
- Keystones
- Voussoirs
- Window hoods
- Fenestration
- Ground floor storefronts
- Continuation of commercial row

By-law passed this day of 2026.

Jeff Leal, Mayor

John Kennedy, City Clerk