Resolution 2017 – 03 Regarding protection and enhancement of the heritage of Sault-au-Récollet along with other shoreline village cores and heritage ensembles in the city

Considering that 2017 marks the 25th anniversary of the designation of the former Sault-au-Récollet village as a heritage site by the City of Montreal in light of its value as an exceptional heritage ensemble and as one of the most historically important shoreline village cores in the Montreal region—and, along with the Vieux-Boucherville district, which is celebrating its 350th anniversary this year, as one of the best-preserved;

Considering that Heritage Montreal, with the support of the Ahuntsic-Cartierville Borough Council, has addressed to the federal government a request to have this ensemble designated as a National Historic Site, complementing similar recognition conferred on Senneville, Westmount, Town of Mount Royal, and Saint-Laurent Boulevard – “The Main”;

Considering the real estate pressures on this heritage ensemble and on the other shoreline heritage cores, which are affecting their landscape identity as well as other heritage dimensions such as archeology, as can be observed in the current situation with the presumed site of the former Fort Lorette, where exploratory excavations have proceeded but for which no report has as yet been published;

The Annual General Meeting of the members of Heritage Montreal requests:

1. That the City of Montreal and its Heritage division, in collaboration with the borough of Ahuntsic-Cartierville and the Conseil du patrimoine de Montréal (the city’s heritage advisory board), and with the help of heritage groups and the Ministry of Culture and Communications, diligently prepare a plan for the conservation, protection and enhancement of the heritage site of the former Sault-au-Récollet village that takes into account the landscape, architectural, archeological, and social dimensions of this exceptional ensemble;

2. That the City of Montreal acquire and integrate into the public domain the presumed site of the former Fort Lorette, if the archeological survey under way confirms its importance based on acknowledged scientific methods;

3. That the Metropolitan Land-use and Development Plan (PMAD) and the resulting land-use schemes, maps and urban-planning bylaws, along with any emergency preparedness and protection plans made following the flooding that affected the metropolitan area this year, acknowledge shoreline village cores and heritage ensembles, and adopt specific measures to ensure maintenance of their landscape identity as well as the integrity and appreciation of their built, developed, archeological and natural heritage.

Adoptée à l’unanimité par l’assemblée générale annuelle
Adopted unanimously by the Annual General Meeting
31.05.2017, Maison des Marins, Pointe-à-Callière