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Bill Pr17

An Act respecting Ronald McDonald House (London)

Ms Matthews

Private Bill

1st Reading November 15, 2005

2nd Reading

3rd Reading

Royal Assent

(Reprinted as amended by the Standing Committee on Regulations and Private Bills and as reported to the Legislative Assembly December 7, 2005)

(The provisions in this bill will be renumbered after 3rd Reading)

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Preamble

The board of directors of Southwestern Ontario Childrens Care Inc. has applied for special legislation to exempt certain land from taxation for municipal and school purposes beginning in 2005 for municipal purposes, other than local improvement rates, while the land is used for a specified purpose. The applicant represents that Southwestern Ontario Childrens Care Inc. was incorporated under the Corporations Act on September 19,1983 and is a registered charity within the meaning of the *Income Tax* Act (Canada). The applicant also represents that Southwestern Ontario Childrens Care Inc. operates the Ronald McDonald House in London on land it leases from the London Health Science Centre to provide temporary lodging for families of seriously ill children receiving medical treatment from London and southwestern Ontario area hospitals including, in particular, the London Health Science Centre.

It is appropriate to grant the application.

Therefore, Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario, enacts as follows:

Definition

1. In this Act,

"specified property" means the land, as defined in the *Assessment Act*, municipally known as 741 Baseline Road East, in the City of London.

Tax exemption

2. Beginning on January 1, 2005, the specified property is exempt from taxation for municipal and school purposes,

Tax exemption

2. The council of the City of London may pass by-laws exempting the specified property from taxes for municipal purposes, other than local improvement rates,

- (a) if the specified property is occupied and used solely for the purposes of the Ronald McDonald House operated by Southwestern Ontario Childrens Care Inc. or a corporation controlled by it; and
- (b) if Southwestern Ontario Childrens Care Inc. is a registered charity within the meaning of the *Income Tax Act* (Canada).

Assessment Act exemption

2.1 An exemption from taxes granted under section 2 is deemed to have the same effect as an exemption from taxation under section 3 of the *Assessment Act*.

Commencement

3. This Act comes into force on the day it receives Royal Assent.

Short title

4. The short title of this Act is the *Ronald McDonald House (London) Act, 2005.*

This reprint of the Bill is marked to indicate the changes that were made in Committee.

The changes are indicated by <u>underlines</u> for new text and a strikethrough for deleted text.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

The purpose of the Bill is set out in the Preamble.