THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF SAULT STE. MARIE

BY-LAW 2007-119

REGULATIONS: (R.1.2.5.) A by-law to require certain retail business establishments to be closed on December 26th in each year.

WHEREAS Subsection 148(1) of the Municipal Act, 2001, S.O. 2001, c. 25 allows a local municipality to require business establishments to be closed on days set out in the By-law;

AND WHEREAS the Council of the City of Sault Ste. Marie wishes to pass such a by-law;

NOW THEREFORE THE Council of the City of Sault Ste. Marie hereby enacts as follows:

1. **DEFINITIONS**

In this by-law:

"Automobile Service Station" means a building or place where gasoline, oil, grease, anti-freeze, tires, tubes, tire accessories, electric light bulbs, spark plugs and batteries for motor vehicles are stored or kept for sale, or where motor vehicles may be oiled, greased or washed, or have their ignition adjusted, tires inflated or batteries charged, or where only minor or running repairs essential to the actual operation of motor vehicles are executed or performed;

"Bait Shop" means a shop, the principal trade of which is the sale of live bait or artificial bait or both;

"Drug Store" means a pharmacy accredited under the Drug and Pharmacies Regulation Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. H.4. where

- (i) the dispensing of drugs upon prescription is available to the public during business hours; and
- (ii) the principal business of the pharmacy is the sale of goods of a pharmaceutical or therapeutic nature or for hygienic or cosmetic purposes and no other goods are available for sale except as sundries; and
- (iii) the total area used for serving the public or for selling or displaying to the public in the establishment is less than 7,500 square feet;

"Motor Vehicle" includes an automobile, motorcycle, and any other vehicles propelled or driven otherwise than by muscular power, but does not include a motorized snow vehicle, traction engine, farm tractor, self propelled implement of husbandry or road-building machine;

"Neighbourhood Convenience Store" means a shop:

- (i) the principal trade of which is the sale of food and household supplies;
- (ii) in which the total area used for serving the public or for selling or displaying to the public is less than 2,400 square feet; and
- (iii) in which there are a maximum of three employees for the entire day including the owner or manager;

"Public Garage" includes an automobile service station, a parking station or a parking lot, or a building or place where motor vehicles are hired or kept or used for hire, or where such vehicles or gasoline or oils are stored or kept for sale, and a building or place used as a motor vehicle repair shop or for washing or cleaning motor vehicles; and

"Retail Business Establishment" means a premises where goods or services are sold or offered for sale by retail

2. **GENERAL CLOSING**

No person employed by or acting on behalf of a person carrying a retail business in a retail business establishment shall:

- sell or offer for sale any goods or services therein by retail;or
- (ii) admit members of the public thereto

on December 26th in each year.

3. **EXEMPTIONS**

- (1) This by-law does not apply to the sale or offering for sale by retail of:
 - goods or services in the form of or in connection with prepared meals or living accommodation;
 - (b) liquor under the authority of a licence or permit issued under the Liquor Licence Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. L.19.
- (2) This By-law shall not apply to any of the following retail business establishments:
 - (a) Art Galleries
 - (b) Automobile Service Stations
 - (c) Bait Shops
 - (d) Book Stores
 - (e) Drug Stores
 - (f) Florists
 - (g) Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Shops
 - (h) Marine Supply Shops
 - (i) Magazine and Periodical Stores
 - (j) Neighbourhood Convenience Stores
 - (k) Newspaper Stands
 - (I) Public Garage
 - (m) Souvenir Shops
 - (n) Tobacco Shops
 - (o) Video Game Shops, or
 - (p) Video Rental Stores.
- (3) This By-law shall not apply in respect of admission to the public to premises for educational, recreational, or amusement purposes in respect of the sale or offering for sale of goods or services incidental thereto.

4. **ENFORCEMENT**

Every person who contravenes the provisions of this By-law is guilty of an offence and on conviction is liable to a fine of not less than \$500.00 and not more than \$100,000.00 as provided in the Municipal Act.

5. This by-law shall come into force and take effect immediately upon the final passing thereof.

READ THREE TIMES and **PASSED** in Open Council this 25th day of June, 2007.

"John Rowswell"

MAYOR – JOHN ROWSWELL

"Donna Irving"

CLERK – DONNA P. IRVING