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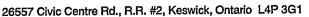
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# **TOWN OF GEORGINA**





August 22, 2001

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# IN THE MATTER OF THE ONTARIO HERITAGE ACT, RSO 1990

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# NOTICE OF THE PASSING OF BY-LAW NO. 2001-0088 (HO-1)

TO: Ontario Heritage Foundation 10 Adelaide Street East Toronto, Ontario M5C 1J3

TAKE NOTICE that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Georgina has passed By-law No. 2001-0088 (HO-1) to designate the following property known as St. George's Anglican Church, including the lands and buildings, as a property of historic or architectural value or interest, under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990:

BY-LAW NO. 2001-0088 (HO-1)	St. George's Anglican Church
MUNICIPAL ADDRESS:	408 Hedge Road, Sutton West
LEGAL DESCRIPTION:	Part Lot 6 and Road Allowance between Lots 6 and 7, Concession 9, being Parts 1, 2 & 3 on Plan of Survey 65R8285 and identified as Roll No. 035-868 according to the Assessment Rolls.

### **REASONS FOR DESIGNATION:**

St. George's Anglican Church is recommended for designation for historical and architectural reasons.

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The origin of the church dates back to the construction of the original wooden church in 1839. When Susan Sibbald died on July 8, 1866, her sons wanted to build a larger, more permanent church in her memory resulting in the construction of the existing stone church in 1877. The construction of the church was supervised by Captain Thomas Sibbald who carefully supervised the stone cutting and laying to ensure that no iron deposits or imperfections were incorporated into the building. The site also has a cemetery where a number of well-known individuals important to the history of the area, lay at rest.

The design of the church is simple, but unique to the Town. The church is a rectangular, stone structure, with a steep sloping cedar roof. A square Norman style bell tower located on the south-west corner of the building also acts as the main entrance.

The interior of the church is simple, but elegant with wooden accent carvings and arches throughout the structure. The wooden floor houses the wood and iron pews which are evenly distributed on each side of the church with a main aisle in the middle. A number of stained glass and hand painted windows line the church walls.

John Graves Simcoe, Upper Canada's first Lieutenant-Governor, was a staunch supporter of the church and Mrs. Simcoe was Mrs. Sibbald's good friend. Several of their daughters were artists and two designed and built stained glass windows. One of which was given to the church featuring seven crosses, one for each Simcoe sister. The window was shipped across the Atlantic Ocean and brought to the site in pieces. The window was placed in the wooden church in 1845 and was removed, carefully stored and reinstalled over the altar of the stone church.

A more detailed Reasons for Designation may be viewed at the Office of the Clerk, Town of Georgina Civic Centre, 26557 Civic Centre Road, Keswick or on our website at www.town.georgina.on.ca.

**Roland Chenier** 

Town Clerk

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# THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF GEORGINA

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### REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF YORK

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#### BY-LAW NUMBER 2001-0088(HO-1)

#### BEING A BY-LAW TO DESIGNATE ST. GEORGE'S ANGLICAN CHURCH, AS A PROPERTY OF HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL VALUE AND INTEREST UNDER PART IV OF THE ONTARIO HERITAGE ACT.

WHEREAS Part IV of the *Ontario Heritage Act*, R.S.O. 1990, as amended, provides Council with the authority to pass by-laws designating real properties of historic or architectural value;

AND WHEREAS St. George's Anglican Church with the buildings and structures thereon has been identified by the Georgina Heritage Committee as being eligible for designation under Part IV of the *Ontario Heritage Act*;

AND WHEREAS the Notice of Intention to designate St. George's Anglican Church was served on the owner of the property, the Ontario Heritage Foundation and published in the local newspaper having general circulation in the municipality in accordance with Section 29 of the *Ontario Heritage Act*;

AND WHEREAS no person has filed any objection to the proposed designation within the 30 day objection period as provided for by Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act;

AND WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Georgina deems it desirable to designate the property known as St. George's Anglican Church site including the lands with the buildings and structures thereon as a property of historical and architectural value and interest under Part IV of the *Ontario Heritage Act*;

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Corporation of the Town

of Georgina hereby enacts as follows:

1. THAT THE PROPERTY WITH THE BUILDINGS AND STRUCTURES THEREON KNOWN AS ST. GEORGE'S ANGLICAN CHURCH IN THE TOWN OF GEORGINA, REGION OF YORK, AND HAVING THE LEGAL DESCRIPTION SET OUT IN SCHEDULE A, ATTACHED HERETO AND FORMING PART OF THIS BY-LAW, IS DESIGNATED AS A PROPERTY OF HISTORIC AND ARCHITECTURAL VALUE AND INTEREST.

2. THAT THE REASONS FOR DESIGNATION SET OUT IN SCHEDULE B, ATTACHED HERETO AND FORMING PART OF THIS BY-LAW, ARE HEREBY ADOPTED. 3.

THAT THE CLERK SHALL CAUSE A COPY OF THIS BY-LAW, TOGETHER WITH ITS SCHEDULES TO BE REGISTERED AGAINST THE **PROPERTY IN THE LAND REGISTRAR'S OFFICE** FOR YORK REGION AND SHALL SERVE A COPY **OF THE BY-LAW TOGETHER WITH ITS** SCHEDULES UPON THE PROPERTY OWNER AND THE ONTARIO HERITAGE FOUNDATION AND PUBLISH A NOTICE OF THE PASSING OF THE **BY-LAW IN A NEWSPAPER HAVING GENERAL** CIRCULATION IN THE MUNICIPALITY.

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THAT THE BY-LAW SHALL TAKE FORCE AND 4. **EFFECT UPON FINAL PASSAGE HEREOF.** 

Read a first and second time this 25th day of June

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Town Clerk, Roland Chenier

Read a third time and finally passed this 13 day of August, 2001.

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Town Clerk, Roland Chenier

### Schedule A

# Legal Description of St. George's Anglican Church

ALL AND SINGULAR that certain parcel or tract of land and premises situate, lying and being in the Town of Georgina (formerly the Township of Georgina), in the Regional Municipality of York and being composed of Part Lot 6 and Road Allowance between Lots 6 and 7, Concession 9, being Parts 1, 2 & 3 on Plan of Survey 65R8285 and identified as Roll No. 035-868 according to the Assessment Rolls.

#### Schedule B

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#### **Reasons for Designation**

#### 1. HISTORICAL REASONS:

The origin of the church dates back to the construction of the original wooden church in 1839. The name of St. George, had been suggested by Mrs. Susan Sibbald, after the warrior St. George, whom she greatly admired.

Mrs. Sibbald established her home and farm at Eildon Hall in 1835. Mrs. Sibbald was one of the major players in the building of the first church. In 1835 the Bouchiers, Jacksons, Mossingtons and Sibbalds petitioned Lieutant-Governonr John Colbourne for land for a school, church and burial ground. John Mills Jacksons, for whom Jacksons Point was named, was another key person responsible for the construction of the first church. With the aid of friends, Mrs. Sibbald largely financed the original wooden church and donated a piece of land, including a parsonage to the church. It should be noted that without her energy and generosity the original church might not have been built. When Mrs. Sibbald died in 1866, her sons wanted to build a larger, more permanent church in her memory resulting in the construction of the existing stone church in 1877.

The construction of the stone church was supervised by Captain Thomas Sibbald who carefully supervised the stone cutting and laying to ensure that no iron deposits or imperfections were incorporated into the building.

The site also has a cemetery where a number of well-known individuals important to the history of the area, lay at rest.

#### 2. ARCHITECTURAL REASONS:

The design of the church is simple, but unique to the Town. The church is a rectangular, stone structure, with a steep sloping cedar roof. A square Norman style bell tower located on the south-west corner of the building also acts as the main entrance.

The interior of the church is simple, but elegant with wooden accent carvings and arches throughout the structure. The wooden floor houses the wood and iron pews which are evenly distributed on each side of the church with a main aisle in the middle. A number of stained glass and hand painted windows line the church walls.

Following the initial construction of the church the Simcoe window was installed and the butternut wood was carved for the pulpit and prayer desk. Oak was used for the Holy table and Hymn board. Reverend George Everest who conducted services at the church from 1901 until 1908 did much of the carving of the wood.

John Graves Simcoe, Upper Canada's first Lieutenant-Governor, was a staunch supporter of the church and Mrs. Simcoe was Mrs. Sibbald's good friend. Several of their daughters were artists and two designed and built stained glass windows. One of which was given to the church featuring seven crosses, one for each Simcoe sister. The window was shipped across the Atlantic Ocean and brought to the site in pieces. The window was placed in the wooden church in 1845 and was removed, carefully stored and re-installed over the altar of the stone church.