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April 2, 2019

Ms. Erin Semande
The Ontario Heritage Trust
10 Adelaide Street East
Toronto, ON M5C 1J3

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Dear Ms. Semande:

**Re: Notice of Passing of By-law 36-19
34 Oxford Street
Town of Richmond Hill
Town File No.: D12-07350**

The Council of The Corporation of the Town of Richmond Hill, at its meeting held on March 25, 2019, passed the following resolution pertaining to the amendment of the Designating By-law for 34 Oxford Street under Section 30.1 of the *Ontario Heritage Act*:

That the following By-laws be passed:

By-law 36-19 - A by-law to amend By-law 410-88, being a By-law to Designate the property known as 34 Oxford Street as being of Architectural and Historical value or interest under the *Ontario Heritage Act*

Carried

A copy of By-law 36-19 is attached. A copy of the By-law was sent to the Land Registry Office and was registered on April 1, 2019 as Instrument Number YR2945189 against the property affected.

Yours sincerely,

Gloria T. Collier
Deputy Town Clerk

- c. Antonio Dimilta, Town Solicitor
- c. Joanne Leung, Manager of Urban Design

The Corporation of the Town of Richmond Hill

By-law 36-19

A By-law to Amend By-law 410-88
(Being a By-law to Designate the property known municipally as
34 Oxford Street as being of Architectural and Historical value or interest
under the *Ontario Heritage Act*)

Whereas section 30.1 of the *Ontario Heritage Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c. O.18, as amended, authorizes the Council of a municipality to amend a by-law designating property passed pursuant to section 29 of the *Ontario Heritage Act*;

Whereas Council at its meeting held September 12, 2018 adopted the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole at its meeting held on September 4, 2018 as contained in Staff Report SRPRS.18.169 pertaining to the amendment of the Designating By-law for 34 Oxford Street under Section 30.1 of the *Ontario Heritage Act*;

And Whereas pursuant to subsection 30.1(7) of the *Ontario Heritage Act*, the Council of the Town of Richmond Hill may now pass the proposed amending by-law;

The Council of The Corporation of The Town of Richmond Hill enacts as follows:

1. That By-law 410-88 be amended by deleting Schedules "A" and "B" and replacing it with the attached Schedule "A" and Schedule "B".
2. That the Town Clerk is hereby authorized to cause a copy of this amending By-law, together with a statement explaining the cultural heritage value or interest of the property and a description of the heritage attributes of the property, to be served on the Owner of the property and the Ontario Heritage Trust.
3. That the Town Solicitor is hereby authorized to cause a copy of this amending By-law to be registered against the property described in Schedule "A" in the Land Registry Office.
4. That Schedule "A" and Schedule "B" attached to By-law xx-19 are declared to form a part of this By-law.

Passed this 25th day of March, 2019



Dave Barrow
Mayor



Stephen M.A. Huycke
Town Clerk

Schedule "B" to By-law 36-19

Reasons for Designation

James Simpson Jr. House

34 Oxford Street

Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest

The James Simpson Jr. House is a one-and-a-half storey classic Ontario farmhouse (c.1865) located on the north side of Oxford Street. The house originally faced east towards Yonge Street, but was relocated and reoriented to its current location in 1998.

The cultural heritage value of the James Simpson Jr. House lies in its design as a classic Ontario farmhouse. The house retains elements of an earlier period including the strongly articulated return eaves at the gable ends and at the centre gable where they form a broken pediment reminiscent of Classical Revival architecture. The house is clad in wood shiplap siding.

The house was likely built by James Simpson Jr. (c.1865) as a farm house.

Originally, the structure contained a rear wing that had a patterned stucco surface that was a deliberate attempt to replicate an ashlar cut stone appearance. The rear wing also included an at grade cellar entrance that was possible due to the building's original hillside location. The rear wing was removed in 1998 when the structure was relocated.

Description of Heritage Attributes

- One-and-a-half storey, three bay Ontario farmhouse massing
- Simple, symmetrical form and classic proportioning;
- The strongly articulated return eaves containing a lower wooden frieze at the gable ends and centre gable;
- Central front doorway with transom and symmetrically and classically positioned windows;
- Classically articulated front veranda with shaped columns and bell-cast roof.