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TOWN OF AJAX

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April 1, 2010

Ontario Heritage Trust  
10 Adelaide Street East  
Toronto, Ontario M5C 1J3

Dear Sir/Madame:

Re: Designation By-law 41-2010  
244 Kingston Road, East, Ajax, ON

Please find enclosed one copy of the Town of Ajax By-law 41-2010 which designates 244 Kingston Road, East, Ajax, as being of historical and architectural value.

This by-law will be registered on the title of the subject property.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

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Clerk, Town of Ajax  
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cc Mr. Stuart Craig, Assistant Vice President of Planning, RIOCAN  
S. Moore, Committee Co-ordinator  
B. Kriz, Records Manager and FOI Co-ordinator

**THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF AJAX**

**BY-LAW NUMBER 41-2010**

A By-law to designate the property known municipally as the McKay House, 244 Kingston Road, East, in the Town of Ajax, as a property of architectural and historical value or interest.

WHEREAS Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act (R.S.O. 1990, Chapter 0.18), as amended, authorizes the Council of a municipality to enact by-laws to designate real property, including all buildings and structures thereon, to be of Architectural or Historical value or interest;

AND WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Ajax has caused to be served on the owners of the lands and premises known as 244 Kingston Road, East, and upon the Ontario Heritage Trust a Notice of Intention to so designate the aforesaid real property and has caused such Notice of Intention to be published in a newspaper having general circulation in the municipality;

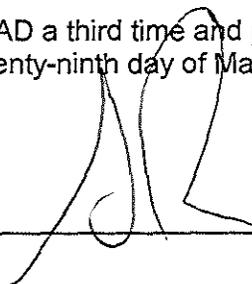
AND WHEREAS the Council has considered the recommendations of the Ajax Heritage Advisory Committee with respect to this matter;

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Ajax enacts as follows:

1. There is designated as being of architectural and historical value or interest the real property known as 244 Kingston Road, East, more particularly described as Part of Lot 6, Concession 2, Plan 40R-26323, Town of Ajax, Region of Durham, Province of Ontario. The reasons for designation are set out in Schedule "A" attached hereto.
2. The legal description of said property is outlined in Schedule "B".
3. The Municipal Solicitor is hereby authorized to cause a copy of this By-law to be registered against the property described in Schedule "A" and "B" hereto in the property land registry office.
4. The Clerk is hereby authorized to cause a copy of this By-law to be served on the owner of the aforesaid property and on the Ontario Heritage Trust and to cause Notice of the Passing of this By-law to be published in a newspaper having general circulation in the municipality.

READ a first time and second time this  
Twenty-ninth day of March, 2010.

READ a third time and passed this  
Twenty-ninth day of March, 2010.

  
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Mayor

  
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D-Clerk

## **SCHEDULE "A" TO BY-LAW NUMBER 41-2010**

### **REASONS FOR DESIGNATION**

This is a two-storey stone structure, originally constructed as a farmhouse and subsequently converted to an office building after being relocated (within the same concession lot) to the east side of Salem Road north of Kingston Road.

#### **Statement of Cultural Value or Interest**

This building's cultural and architectural heritage value derives from its prominence as an outstanding example of a stone farmhouse dating back to the mid-19<sup>th</sup> century. The McKay House represents the only stone building to have been moved and rehabilitated for commercial use in the Town of Ajax, and is one of only a few in Ontario. Donald McKay, who settled in the area in the mid 1830's, built the house in 1854 using local fieldstone and Kingston limestone. The farm, which was called Chamacy after the village in Scotland where Donald McKay was born, was featured in the 1877 County of Ontario Atlas.

#### **Description of Heritage Attributes**

The key attributes exhibited by this building include:

- The superior craftsmanship of the stone work, particularly the front façade;
- The split cedar shake roof, which is not original but in keeping with the period of construction;
- The front porch and steps, which are not original but complement the architectural design of the building;
- Its prominent location adjacent to a major arterial road.