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IN THE MATTER OF THE ONTARIO HERITAGE ACT, 1974, S.O. CHAPTER 122

AND IN THE MATTER OF THE LAND AND PREMISES KNOWN MUNICIPALLY AS
186 STEELES AVENUE EAST, THORNHILL, IN THE TOWN OF MARKHAM IN THE
PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.

TO: Ontario Heritage Foundation
 77 Bloor Street West,
 Toronto, Ontario.

TAKE NOTICE THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Markham on the 11th day of March, 1980, passed a motion of intention to designate the property, including lands and buildings known municipally as 186 Steeles Avenue East, Thornhill, Ontario, as a property of architectural and/or historical interest or value under Part IV of The Ontario Heritage Act, 1974, S.O. Chapter 122.

Short Statement of the Reasons for the Proposed Designation:

The William Robinson House at 186 Steeles Avenue East in Thornhill is recommended for designation for architectural reasons as being a well-preserved example of Georgian architecture in Ontario.

This house was constructed in 1845 for the William Robinson family. William Robinson was appointed lieutenant to the First Regiment of the York Militia in 1818 although he continued to farm in the area until 1878.

This house exemplifies the use of contrasting coloured brick imitating details normally executed in stone, a common characteristic of brick domestic architecture in Ontario during this period.

Quarter round windows and a centrally placed main entrance with a recessed mullioned transom and half sidelights further compliment this private residence.

NOTICE OF OBJECTION to the designation may be served on the Clerk within thirty (30) days of the 3rd of April, 1980.

DATED AT MARKHAM this 3rd day of April, 1980.

Gary F. Roseblade,
Town Clerk.