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INNISFIL HERITAGE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

June 27, 2025

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

Subject: Designation By-law No. 049-25 under Part IV of the *Ontario Heritage Act* – 6800 Yonge Street, Innisfil, ON.

Please find enclosed a copy of By-law No. 049-25 to designate 6800 Yonge Street under Part IV of the *Ontario Heritage Act* in the Town of Innisfil for your records.

An appeal to the Ontario Land Tribunal in respect to this By-law may be made by filing a notice of appeal with the Town Clerk, setting out the objections to the By-law and the reasons in support of the objection, accompanied by the applicable fee charged by the Ontario Land Tribunal, within 30 days after the publication of this notice either via the Ontario Land Tribunal e-file service (first-time users will need to register for a My Ontario Account) at <https://olt.gov.on.ca/e-file-service/> by selecting TOWN OF INNISFIL as the Approval Authority or by mail to Town of Innisfil, 2101 Innisfil Beach Road, Innisfil, ON. L9S 1A1 no later than 4:30 p.m. on **Monday, July 28, 2025**. The appeal fee can be paid online through e-file or by certified cheque/money order to the Minister of Finance, Province of Ontario. If you wish to appeal to the Ontario Land Tribunal (OLT) or request a fee reduction for an appeal, forms are available from the OLT website at www.olt.gov.on.ca.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at kjacob@innisfil.ca or 705-436-3740, ext. 2414.

Yours truly,

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The Corporation of the Town of Innisfil

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By-law No. 049-25

A By-law of The Corporation of the Town of Innisfil to designate a certain property as being of historic, cultural and/or architectural value or interest, being Part Lot 15, Concession 5; Innisfil, as in RO322187 & RO324116; part Lot 15, Concession 5; Innisfil as in IN8444; Part Lot 15 Concession 5; Innisfil as in OS7443; and Part Lot 15, Concession 5; Innisfil in the Town of Innisfil, and known municipally as 6800 Yonge Street, Town of Innisfil, County of Simcoe.

Whereas pursuant to Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act, the Council of a municipality is authorized to enact by-laws to designate real property, including the buildings and structures thereon, to be of historic, architectural, cultural heritage and value or interest; and

Whereas Council of The Corporation of the Town of Innisfil has been requested to designate the building at 6800 Yonge Street, Town of Innisfil, County of Simcoe, as being of cultural heritage value or interest; and

Whereas notice of intention to designate 6800 Yonge Street has been served on the Property Owner and the Ontario Heritage Trust, and such notice of intention has been publicized in accordance with notice requirements under the Ontario Heritage Act; and

Whereas the Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest and the Description of Cultural Heritage Attributes are set out in Schedule "B" attached hereto and form part of this by-law.

Now Therefore Council of The Corporation of the Town of Innisfil enacts as follows:

1. That the following real property, more particularly described in Schedule "A," attached hereto and forming part of this by-law, is hereby designated as being of historic and/or architectural value or interest:

6800 Yonge Street
Town of Innisfil
County of Simcoe

2. That the Town is hereby authorized to cause a copy of this by-law to be registered against the property designated in Schedule "A", attached hereto in the Property Land Registry Office.

Passed this 11th day of June 2025.



Lynn Dollin, Mayor



Patty Thoma, Clerk

Schedule 'A'
By-law No. 049-25

The property known as 6800 Yonge Street is located on the west side of Yonge Street on the southwest corner of the intersection of Yonge Street (County Road 4) and the 6th Line in the Town of Innisfil.

P.I.N. 58063-0264 (LT), Part Lot 15, Concession 5; Innisfil, as in RO322187 & RO324116
P.I.N. 58063-0302 (LT), being Part Lot 15, Concession 5; Innisfil as in IN8444
P.I.N. 58063-0303 (LT), Part Lot 15 Concession 5; Innisfil as in OS7443; and
P.I.N. 58063-0304 (R) Part Lot 15, Concession 5; Innisfil
Town of Innisfil, County of Simcoe



Schedule 'B'
By-law No. 049-25

Reason for Designation – Statement of Cultural Value

Cemeteries act as open-air museums and libraries with stories of our past. Preserving these markers and keeping the information available for future generations is vital to our communities. Cemetery preservation is important because grave markers are the last tangible evidence of the founding members of our modern community. The Sixth Line Cemetery provides information about the Dalhousie settlers and early Presbyterian families in the Innisfil area.

Design and Physical Value

The design and physical value of the 6th Line Cemetery are reflected in its entry gates, cairn, and front façade of the chapel. These represent fieldstone masonry construction techniques commonly used by settlers in Southern Ontario from the early 1800s to the early 1900s and display a high degree of artisanship. This building technique uses irregular natural rocks cleared from the surrounding farmland and carefully fitted with lime mortar to create sturdy walls that can withstand harsh winters. This historic form of masonry is no longer commonly used, and careful preservation is required so it may be admired by future generations.

Historical and Associative Value

The 6th Line Cemetery's historical and associative value lies in its use, first by the congregation of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church in the 1840s and continuing as an active non-denominational burial ground for Innisfil families today. The cemetery is also directly associated with the community's early settlement, including the 'Dalhousie Settlers', a group of Scottish settlers who came to Innisfil from Dalhousie Township in Lanark County, Ontario, in 1832, including the Allan, Climie, Cross, Duncan, Jack, Lawrie, Todd and Wallace families.

The natural fieldstone memorial cairn, topped with an Ionian cross, was erected in 1932 to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the Dalhousie Settlers arriving in Innisfil. Stones were specially selected by the builder Alfred Davis of Belle Ewart from the farms the Dalhousie families cut out of the forest. An axe and a sickle are carved on the cross emblematic of pioneer labourers. The monument is of excellent workmanship and is a credit to the builder and worthy of the rugged men and women in whose memory it was erected.

Contextual Value

The 6th Line Cemetery's contextual value lies in its burial plots that are integrated into the land physically, spiritually, functionally, and visually and are historically linked to earlier residents of the area, including the Dalhousie settlers. Located at the intersection of 6th Line and Yonge Street, the cemetery, with its instantly recognizable cairns, is an important visual landmark for drivers and residents.

Schedule 'B'
By-law No. 049-25

Description of Cultural Heritage Attributes

The following heritage attributes contribute to the design and physical value of the property as represented by the fieldstone masonry construction techniques commonly used by settlers in Southern Ontario from the early 1800s to the early 1900s, and are no longer commonly used.

- Three fieldstone gates with pillars at the entrance to the cemetery
- Fieldstone façade on the chapel and vault

The following heritage attribute contributes to the property's historical and associative value, as it is directly associated with the Dalhousie Settlers, including the Allan, Climie, Cross, Duncan, Jack, Lawrie, Todd and Wallace families who were significant to the Innisfil community and is represented by the natural fieldstone memorial cairn, topped with an Ionic cross, erected in 1932 to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the Dalhousie Settlers arriving in Innisfil in 1832.

- Fieldstone cairn with plaque

The following heritage attribute contributes to the property's contextual value as represented in its burial plots. These plots are integrated into the land physically, spiritually, functionally, and visually and are historically linked to earlier residents of the area, including the Dalhousie settlers.

- All grave markers and monuments

The following attributes are excluded from the designation of the property:

- Any past or future interred human remains
- The chain link fence surrounding the property
- The wooded area to the west of the burial grounds