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VIA EMAIL TO: registrar@heritagetrust.on.ca

December 1, 2025

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO DESIGNATE

TAKE NOTICE that the Town of Caledon intends to designate the property at 20836 Kennedy Road as being of cultural heritage value or interest under Section 29 of the *Ontario Heritage Act*, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter O.18.

DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY

The property is located on the west side of Kennedy Road midway between Highway 9 and Highpoint Sideroad, forming the east half of Lot 28, Concession 1 East of Hurontario Street within the geographic Township of Caledon, Town of Caledon.

STATEMENT OF CULTURAL HERITAGE VALUE OR INTEREST

The design and physical value of the property at 20836 Kennedy Road relates to its mid 19th century stone farmhouse. Built c.1851–1861, the one-and-a-half-storey dwelling is a representative example of the Neoclassical style. Constructed of polychromatic rubble stone with limestone parging, the coursed stonework of the building's front façade has been arranged to create a colour gradation from dark to light. This masonry, with tooled stone lintels and quoins, contrasts with the random rubble stone of the side and rear façades. The Neoclassical characteristics of the farmhouse include its balanced proportions, fenestration, gable roof with returned eaves, three-bay front façade with central doorway, and large scale, rough-cut stone lintels and quoining. Notably, the front doorway is slightly off-centre, a characteristic typical of homes built by Scottish immigrants during this period in Ontario.

The historical or associative value of the property is found in its direct association with the Robertson, Torrance and Gilmour families, who were related by marriage and collectively owned the property for nearly a century. The property was passed down through the matrilineal line for three generations, which was uncommon at the time. The Robertson and Torrance families were among the early Scottish settlers in Caledon Township.

The property holds contextual value for its role in defining, maintaining and supporting the rural agricultural character of this area. Set back from the road, the farmhouse remains part of the surrounding rural agricultural landscape. The property is physically, visually, and historically linked to adjacent properties to the west and south that were owned by the Robertsons and Torrances, respectively.

DESCRIPTION OF HERITAGE ATTRIBUTES

Farmhouse

Heritage attributes that convey the property's design value and physical value as a representative example of a Neoclassical style farmhouse:

- Rectangular form and one-and-a-half storey massing
- Gable roof form with returned eaves
- Rubble stone end chimneys
- Rubble stone foundation
- Rubble stone construction with limestone parging including:
 - Coursed stonework on the front façade arranged to form a visual gradation from larger, darker stones at the bottom to lighter, smaller stones at the top
 - Random rubble stone masonry on the rear and side façades
- Off-centre front doorway, characteristic of farmhouses built by Scottish immigrants
- Elements of the Neoclassical style:
 - Balanced proportions
 - Three-bay front façade with centre entrance flanked by rectangular, vertical window openings
 - Large scale cut stone quoining on the front façade
 - Front centre entrance, including transom opening
 - All tooled stone lintels on the front façade and rough-cut stone lintels on the side and rear facades
 - All window openings, including remnant cut stone lug sills, and six-over-six pane sash configuration

Heritage attributes that convey the property's contextual value in defining, maintaining and supporting the character of the area, and linking it physically, visually and historically to its surroundings:

- Scale and massing as a one-and-a-half storey Neoclassical style farmhouse
- Setback from and orientation to Kennedy Road
- Gravel laneway
- Mature trees lining south side of laneway and road edge

Attributes of the property that are not considered to be of cultural heritage value, or are otherwise not included in the Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest:

- Modern sash windows on main dwelling
- Modern elements of one storey rear addition
- Modern garage
- Modern shed



RIGHT TO OBJECT

Any person may, within thirty days after publication of the notice on the Town of Caledon's website on December 1, 2025, serve the Clerk notice of their objection to the proposed designation in accordance with the *Ontario Heritage Act*, setting out the reason for the objection and all relevant facts.

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