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TOWN OF AJAX

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January 4, 2007

Ontario Heritage Trust
10 Adelaide Street East
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Dear Madam or Sir:

Re: Notice of Intention to Designate - Hicksite Cemetery, Kingston Road, East, Ajax

Please find enclosed the Notice of Intention to designate the above-noted property.

This Notice will be advertised in the local newspaper and on the Town's website and it is the Town's intention to pass the necessary by-law to designate the site under the Ontario Heritage Act on February 12, 2007.

Sincerely,

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**NOTICE OF INTENTION TO DESIGNATE
ONTARIO HERITAGE ACT
HICKSITE CEMETERY, KINGSTON ROAD, AJAX**

TAKE NOTICE that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Ajax intends to designate the property being the Quaker Cemetery, also known as the Hicksite Cemetery, on Kingston Road in Ajax, legal description Part Lot 5, Con. 2 Pickering as in YKP3834 except P117147, Ajax, as a property of historical value or interest under Part IV of *The Ontario Heritage Act* (R.S.O. 1990, Ch. O. 18). A By-law to designate the property is scheduled to be before Ajax Town Council at its regular meeting to be held February 12, 2007.

Reasons for Designation:

The Hicksite Cemetery is of cultural heritage value as one of the oldest graveyards in the Town of Ajax, and as the only cemetery established by a breakaway faction of the Society of Friends (Quakers) known as the Hicksites. The Hicksites were founded by an American Quaker, Elias Hicks, who emigrated from Vermont. In 1834 a brick meeting house was built on the site, which served the Hicksite Friends until it was destroyed by fire in 1931.

The cemetery is typical of Quaker burial grounds with its plain white headstones standing in neat rows, in marked contrast to non-Quaker cemeteries where many of the stones are much larger and more elaborate. There are just over 100 graves in this cemetery.

Additional information on the proposed designation is available at the Clerks Department.

Any person may send by registered mail or deliver to the Clerk of the Town of Ajax notice of their objection to the proposed designation together with a statement of the reasons for the objection and all relevant facts. If such a Notice of Objection is received, the Council of the Town of Ajax will refer the matter to the Conservation Review Board for a hearing.

THE LAST DAY FOR FILING OBJECTIONS IS FEBRUARY 9, 2007

Dated at Ajax, Ontario, this 9th day of January, 2007.

M. de Rond, Clerk