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Municipal Offices, 2141 Major Mackenzie Drive, Maple, Ontario LOJ 1E0

March 7, 1979

REGISTERED:

Ontario Heritage Foundation, 77 Bloor Street West, Toronto, Ontario. M7A 2R9

Dear Sir:

Pursuant to Section 29(6) of The Ontario Heritage Act, 1974, enclosed please find a certified copy of By-law Number 48-79, being a by-law "to designate the property known municipally as 21 Nashville Road, Kleinburg, as being of architectural value or interest" together with the reasons for designation.

Yours truly,

R.J. Douglas, A.M.C.T.,

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ONTARIO HERITAGE FOUNDATION

I, ROBERT JOSEPH DOUGLAS, Deputy Clerk of
The Corporation of the Town of Vaughan, in the Regional
Municipality of York, do hereby certify that the attached
is a true copy of By-law Number 48-79 passed by the
Council of the Town of Vaughan on the 5th day of March,
1979.

R.U. DOUGLAS, Deputy Clerk. Town of Vaughan

Dated at the Town of Vaughan this 6th day of March, 1979.

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF VAUGHAN

BY-LAW NUMBER 48-79

A By-law to designate the property known municipally as 21 Nashville Road, Kleinburg, as being of architectural value or interest.

WHEREAS section 29 of The Ontario Heritage Act, 1974 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 historic value or interest; and

WHEREAS the Council of The Corporation of the Town of Vaughan has caused to be served on the owners of the lands and premises known as "The Doctor's House" at 21 Nashville Road, Kleinburg, and upon the Ontario Heritage Foundation, notice of intention to so designate the aforesaid real property and has caused such notice of intention to be published in the same newspaper having general circulation in the municipality once for each of three consecutive weeks; and

WHEREAS no notice of objection to the proposed designation has been served on the Clerk of the municipality;

THEREFORE The Corporation of the Town of Vaughan ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

- 1. There is designated as being of architectural value or interest the real property known as "The Doctor's House" at 21 Nashville Road, Kleinburg, more particularly described as Lots 41 and 42 on Registered Plan 9.
- 2. The municipal solicitor is hereby authorized to cause a copy of this by-law to be registered against the property described in Section 1 hereof in the proper land registry office.
- 3. 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 Foundation and to cause notice of the passing of this by-law to be published in the same newspaper having general circulation in the municipality once for each of three consecutive weeks.

READ a FIRST and SECOND time this 5th day of March, 1979

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MAYOR

CLERK

READ a THIRD time and finally passed this 5th day of March,

1979.

ALTIN MAYOR

CLERK

REASONS FOR THE PROPOSED DESIGNATION

ARCHITECTURAL SIGNIFICANCE

Architecturally this house is a good example of vernacular building, and represents in terms of style and material, the type of dwelling that was once common in the early Township of Yaughan.

Historically the house stands as a landmark in the community of Kleinburg, as it became the home and office of the local doctor's.

Sociologically it reflects the means and lifestyle of the early settlers, by its simple and solid construction and unassuming appearance.

CONDITION

The building is an excellent condition due to its professional previous owners and more recent commercial function as a tea room and now a gift shop.

HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE

The original lot 41 on Plan 9, was owned by John N. Kline in 1848 when he sold to James Robison. In 1867 Robison sold to John Dalziel for \$800. In the same year John Dalziel built his home, the "Doctor's House". In 1870 John Dalziel died leaving to his widow, Mary, the house and lands described in his will as "being part of the Lot lying next to Mr. Donald's tavern". Mary bonded the land to Dr. James Stephenson in 1871, but he quit his claim in 1877, and she sold to Dr. Thomas Harvey Robinson a year later. Dr. Robinson lived there until 1929.

More recently, the house was run as a tea room by Mrs. MacEachern and now operates as the gift shop affiliated with the Livery.

Thus this building has had multiple uses and has been sufficient to adapt to all, from past to present, and as such has retained its reputation in Kleinburg as a modest but busy and established house.

ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION

This house is sited on Nashville Road near the top of the hill that led down to John Kline's mill. It was built with the early town of Kleinburg and retains its original site and rural atmosphere.

The house is frame and constructed on stone foundations. It is one and half stories with a rear, south, extension of one storey.

The building fronts north and its symmetrical facade belies its original asymmetrical interior, with a parlour to the east and doctor's office to the west. The front door is set into a wide wooden frame. The windows to east and west are three over three paned and double hung. The space between this register of windows and door, and the plain frieze, under the eave, was originally interrupted by the veranda.

The line of the roof, running east-west, coupled with the siding gives a horizontal emphasis to this face. The restoration of the veranda would give depth and strength to this, the main facade.

The west face is composed of two windows in the gable and two on the ground floor. The returned eaves frame these upper windows.

The addition, running north to south, is flush with the original west wall. It was added c.1880, complete with the basement. It allowed for a dining room, kitchen and waiting room, and is harmonious with the earlier part. A door, used by the patients, is located at the northerly point where it abuts the north face of the earlier building. To the south of this door is a window. At the southerly most end of the building is the summer kitchen, the east side of which houses a "dutch door"; this is an unusual feature and very charming.

The extension on the east is set back from the earlier part and repeats the pattern of the front facade, with a door flanked by two windows. The east on the main body of the house is a repetition of the west, only the recent substitution of the upper north window, for a door, owing to fire regulations, has changed. The fire escape is built of white metal and blends with the siding. The restoration of this window, if desired, would be a simple operation.

The "Doctor's House" characterizes the vernacular dwelling and atmosphere of Kleinburg as a small but sufficient and growing town. Its merit lies in its small but highly functional space that has proved a good home, office, restaurant and shop. To ascribe an architectural style to it is inappropriate as it only relates to the Classical Revival in terms of balance and symmetry of proportions; its value today is as a choice example of the rural type of building once prevalent in the area, but which is now vanishing.