



An agency of the Government of Ontario



Un organisme du gouvernement de l'Ontario

This document was retrieved from the Ontario Heritage Act e-Register, which is accessible through the website of the Ontario Heritage Trust at **www.heritagetrust.on.ca**.

Ce document est tiré du registre électronique, tenu aux fins de la *Loi sur le patrimoine de l'Ontario*, accessible à partir du site Web de la Fiducie du patrimoine ontarien sur **www.heritagetrust.on.ca**.



CLERK'S OFFICE
John Leach
Director, Customer and
Legislative Services
905-727-3123 ext 4771
JLeach@e-aurora.ca

Town of Aurora
1 Municipal Drive,
Box 1000, Aurora, ON L4G 6J1

January 26, 2010

Ontario Heritage Trust
Heritage Programs and Operations Branch
10 Adelaide Street East, Suite 203
Toronto, Ontario, Canada
M5C 1J3

Att: Mr. Sean Fraser, Manager, Acquisitions and Conservation Services

Dear: Mr. Fraser

**RE: Notice of Intention to Designate a Property to be of Cultural Heritage Value
or Interest
"The George Browning House"
15086-15088 Yonge Street
Lot 52, Plan 246
Town of Aurora, Regional Municipality of York**

Please find attached a Notice of Intention to Designate, which includes a statement explaining the cultural heritage value or interest and a description of the heritage attributes of the above-noted property.

Yours sincerely,

John Leach
Director, Customer and Legislative Services

c. Mai Al Nabhan, Manager of Heritage Planning and Urban Design



NOTICE OF INTENTION
TO DESIGNATE A BUILDING OF
CULTURAL HERITAGE VALUE OR INTEREST

TAKE NOTICE THAT the Council of The Corporation of the Town of Aurora intends to designate the following property as a property of cultural heritage value or interest pursuant to the provisions of Section 29 of the *Ontario Heritage Act*, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter O.18, as amended. A brief statement of reasons is included.

"The George Browning House"
15086-15088 Yonge Street
Lot 52, Plan 246
Town of Aurora, Regional Municipality of York

Description of Property

The George Browning House, known municipally as 15086-15088 Yonge Street, is a 2 storey residential building, located on the west side of Yonge Street south of Kennedy Street.

Statement of Cultural Heritage Value

The George Browning House's cultural heritage value lies in its association with George Browning, a local builder; in being one of the good examples of Italianate/Tuscan villa style in Aurora; and in its significant contribution to the character of Yonge Street.

Historical or Associative Value

The George Browning House historical value lies in its association with George Browning, a local builder who constructed this house in 1889 as his own residence. The Brownings were a family of builders, responsible for numerous homes and other structures in Aurora and beyond.

Design or Physical Value

The George Browning house has architectural value as Italianate/Tuscan villa style with formal balanced façade. The house is 2 storey and features yellow brick walls, low pitched/hipped roof, quoins, dormers, heavy ornamental brackets under wide eaves, and two gable-like projections in the roofline which are cut and raised above the horizontal ridge over the façade, affect Tuscan towers.

Contextual Value

The George Browning House has contextual value as distinguished structure on Yonge Street; it is also one of the punctuation points of one of the very few surviving stretches of dwellings on Yonge Street in Aurora.

Description of Heritage Attributes

Key exterior attributes that express the heritage value of "The George Browning House", located at 15086-15088 Yonge Street, include:

- The Italianate/Tuscan villa style, 2 storey high
- Low pitched/hipped roof
- Projecting eaves supported by brackets and cornice structure
- The original window openings including the bay windows on main façade
- The two gable-like projections in the roofline
- All exterior yellow brick and quoins

DETAILED REASONS FOR THE PROPOSED DESIGNATION CAN BE OBTAINED BY CONTACTING THE UNDERSIGNED.

Any person may, before 4:30 p.m. on the 26th day of February, 2010, send by registered mail or deliver to the Town Clerk, Notice of Objection to the proposed designation, together with a statement of the reasons for the objection and all relevant facts. If a Notice of Objection is received, the Council of the Town of Aurora will refer the matter to the Conservation Review Board for a hearing and a report.

Further information respecting the proposed designation(s) is available from the Clerk's Office upon request.

DATED at Aurora this 26th day of January, 2010

John D. Leach, Director, Customer and Legislative Services, Town of Aurora, 1 Municipal Drive, Box 1000, Aurora, ON, L4G 6J1