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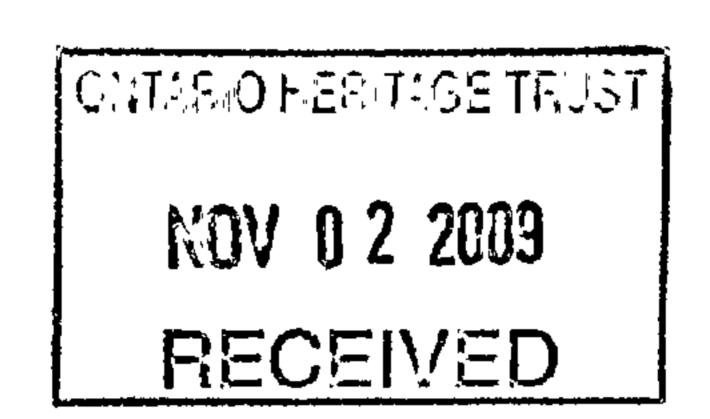
#### THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF WHITBY

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

Re: Passage of By-law to Designate 9210 Heron Road as a structure of cultural heritage value under Part IV, Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act R.S.O. 1990, c. 0.18 as amended

Please be advised that the Town of Whitby Council passed By-law 6241-09, at its meeting held on October 13, 2009. This by-law formally designates 9210 Heron Road as a structure of cultural heritage value and interest to the Town of Whitby under Part IV, Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act R.S.O. 1990, c 0.18 as amended. A copy of the notice for the By-law has been attached to this letter for your reference.

I trust this matter will receive the Trust's full attention. If you require further information regarding this issue, please contact the Town of Whitby's Planning Department at 905-430-4306.

Sincerely,

Martha A. Pettit Deputy Clerk

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### THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF WHITBY

### BY-LAW NO. 6241-09

### BEING A BY-LAW TO DESIGNATE WILLIAM HERON FARM, THE STRUCTURE MUNICIPALLY KNOWN AS 9210 HERON ROAD, AS BEING OF CULTURAL HERITAGE VALUE AND INTEREST

WHEREAS, in accordance with the provisions of Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. 0.18, as amended 2005, the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Whitby considers it desirable to designate the exterior of the building on the property hereinafter described to be of cultural heritage value and interest;

AND WHEREAS, the Council of the said Corporation has caused to be served on the owners of the property municipally known as 9210 Heron Road, Ashburn, Ontario, and upon the Ontario Heritage Trust, notice of its intention to designate the structure at the aforesaid address to be of cultural heritage value and interest and has caused such notice to be published in a newspaper having general circulation in the Town of Whitby;

AND WHEREAS, no person has served a notice of objection to the proposed designation on the Clerk of the said Corporation;

NOW THEREFORE, the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Whitby enacts as follows:

1. The structure located on the property municipally known as 9210 Heron Road, Ashburn, Ontario and more particularly described on Schedule "A" attached to and forming part of this by-law is designated as being of cultural heritage value and interest for the reasons set out in Schedule "B", attached hereto.

2. This designation shall not preclude any changes that may be deemed necessary for the efficient use of the structure provided that any changes shall be in keeping with the original and current character of the structure and shall be carried out in consultation with LACAC Heritage Whitby of the Town of Whitby.

BY-LAW READ A FIRST, SECOND, AND THIRD TIME AND FINALLY PASSED THIS 13<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF OCTOBER, A.D., 2009.

Paul Jones, Clerk

Patricia Perkins, Mayor

## SCHEDULE "B" TO BY-LAW NO. 6241-09

### DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY - 9210 HERON ROAD

The William Heron Farm is a one-and-a-half storey residential building, located on the west side of Heron Road in the Hamlet of Ashburn.

### STATEMENT OF CULTURAL HERITAGE VALUE OR INTEREST

The granite fieldstone house at 9210 Heron Road was originally built for Scottish settler William Heron (1792-1884) in about 1860. Legend states that the builder was a Scottish stone mason named William Pearson (1883-1897) who lived at Ashburn, and built many stone buildings in Whitby and Pickering Townships. William Pearson built the Ashburn School (now the community centre) in about 1861. It was his test piece to show off his workmanship, with each wall built in a different style of stone work. His last major building was the Jeremiah Lick house (now the Sunnycrest Nursing Home) built in 1884 on the south side of Dundas Street between Kendalwood and Thickson Roads.

Although there are stories that some of the land was cleared before William Heron's arrival in 1845, it is believed that Heron was the first bona fide settler on Lot 29. William Heron was born in Wightinshire, Scotland, on January 12, 1792. About 1817 he was married to Jane Crawford of Daily Ayrshire, Scotland and moved to that community where his farm was known as "Dalmore." William Heron was a very influential personality in his township. He was a strong supporter of the Presbyterian Church and established a congregation in 1849 at Ashburn, near his farm. It is now the congregation of Burn's Presbyterian Church, which celebrated its 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary in 1999.

# SCHEDULE "A" TO BY-LAW NO. 6241-09 LEGAL DESCRIPTION

PT LOT 29 CON 9 TOWNSHIP OF WHITBY PT 4, 40RD29 (PIN 26582-0064 LT) in the Town of Whitby, in the Regional Municipality of Durham.

### DESCRIPTION OF HERITAGE ATTRIBUTES

The house is a vernacular classic revival Ontario farmhouse, one and a half storey stone building with attic and one storey kitchen elevation. The majority of the original farm has been sold off in parcels to its neighbours who still farm the land. The property is surrounded by about an acre of landscaped yard with mature trees and a pond.

The house features a symmetrical front façade centred by a small windowed gable over a central entrance, which is then flanked on either side by a window. This particular example is a fine one, being of spacious proportions, constructed from stone and holding finely crafted details such as the upper round arched window and front door transom. All of the windows except for three appear to be in excellent condition and contain their original glass. In addition, the entire cornice and its brackets are in excellent condition and look to be intact.

The plan of the interior of the house is typical of the type, being a more spaciously proportioned example than usual.

PLEASE BE ADVISED THAT THE FULL HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL REPORTS FOR THE WILLIAM HERON FARM, 9210 HERON ROAD, CAN BE REVIEWED IN THE TOWN OF WHITBY'S PLANNING DEPARTMENT DURING REGULAR BUSINESS HOURS BETWEEN 8:30 AM AND 4:30 PM FROM MONDAY TO FRIDAY.