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THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF WHITBY

In the Regional Municipality of Durham

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Re: Notice of Repeal of Designation By-law # 4030-97 of Notice of Intent to Designate as Heritage Property by the Corporation of the Town of Whitby under part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act, John Dryden House, 360 Columbus Road, Whitby, Ontario

File: P55-DR

On November 1, 2013, you were served Notice of Intention to Repeal By-law #4030-97, being a by-law to designate the structure municipally known as 360 Columbus Road East, as being of historic and architectural value and interest. The reason for the repeal was to exclude lands that were approved to be severed from the property to be consolidated with adjacent land holdings.

There were no objections to the Notice of Intention to Repeal By-law # 4030-97 and subsequently By-law #6817-14 (repealing by-law) was adopted by Whitby Town Council on January 20, 2014.

Further to Council's direction, a new designation bylaw has been prepared. Please find enclosed a Notice of Intent to Designate the (John Dryden House) property municipality known as 360 Columbus Road East, as being of cultural heritage value and interest under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act. This notice will be published in the January 29, 2014 edition of Whitby This Week.

Should you require further information, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned at 905.430.4302.

Sincerely,

Debi A. Wilcox, MPA, CMO, CMM III

Town Clerk

DAW/lp enc.

cc:

S. Cassel, Acting Deputy Clerk

S. Ashton, Planner II



Town of Whitby Notice

Notice of Intent to Designate as a Heritage Property

Take notice that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Whitby intends to designate the property at the following municipal address as property of cultural heritage value and interest under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990.

John Dryden House 360 Columbus Road East Part 1 and 4 Reference Plan 40R-23888 Whitby, Ontario

Reason for Designation of 360 Columbus Road East, Whitby, ON

This property was previously designated under By-law # 4030-97. This by-law was repealed in order to consider a new designation by-law that excludes lands that were approved to be severed from the property to be consolidated with adjacent land holdings.

Statement of Cultural Heritage Value and Interest

James Dryden originally built a log house on Lot 20, Concession 7, when he moved to the property between 1830 and 1832. James Dryden was an early justice of the peace and magistrate in Whitby Township and held most of the municipal offices in the Township.

John Dryden, eldest son of James Dryden, was the first Minister of Agriculture in a Liberal Provincial Government. John Dryden entered politics in 1864, at the age of 24, when he served as a Whitby Township Councillor. He was Deputy Reeve from 1865-68 and Reeve of Whitby Township from 1869-70 with a seat on the Ontario County Council.

William Arthur Dryden, the youngest child of John Dryden, was the founder of the Royal Ontario Agricultural Winter Fair, held in Toronto since 1922. William was the first President of the Winter Fair from 1919 to 1923, and a member of the Fair executive for his entire life, and locally was involved in the management of the Brooklin Spring Fair.

Description of Heritage Attributes

The Dryden house is a remarkable example of the evolution of an Ontario farmhouse from the first period of local occupation to the present. The house demonstrates three major stages of development. The first stage was the James Dryden period (early Victorian 1835 – 1867) when a simple, classically proportioned farmhouse was built on the property. The second stage was during the tenure of his son, John Dryden (late Victorian 1867 – 1903, when due to the prosperity of the farm the house was given a number of additions. The third stage of the house was undertaken by William Arthur Dryden who took over the operation of the farm in 1903 and made the most extensive changes to the building.

Further information regarding the proposed heritage designation of John Dryden House can be obtained from Stephen Ashton in the Town of Whitby's Planning Department during regular business hours between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. from Monday to Friday, Tel 905.430.4300 x 2269.

Objection

And take notice that any person may, before February 28, 2014, send by registered mail or deliver to the Clerk of the Town of Whitby, notice of his or her objection to the proposed designation together with a statement of reasons for the objection and all relevant facts. If such notice of objection is received, the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Whitby will refer the matter to the Conservation Review Board for a hearing.

Dated at the Town of Whitby this 29th day of January, 2014.

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