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CULTURAL PROGRAMS
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CORPORATE SERVICES COMMISSION
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IN THE MATTER OF THE ONTARIO HERITAGE ACT, R.S.O. 1990,
CHAPTER O.18;

AND IN THE MATTER OF THE LAND AND PREMISES IN LOT 19, PLAN
65M-2761, KNOWN MUNICIPALLY AS 12 DAVID GOHN CIRCLE,
TOWN OF MARKHAM, IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO DESIGNATE

TO: The Ontario Heritage Foundation
Ministry of Citizenship, Culture and Recreation
77 Bloor Street West
Toronto, Ontario
M7A 2R9
Attention: Ms. Nancy Smith, Sr. Administrative Clerk

TAKE NOTICE THAT the Council of The Corporation of the
Town of Markham intends to designate the property,
including land and building, known municipally as 12 David
Gohn Circle, Markham, as a property of architectural and/or
historic interest or value under Part 1V of The Ontario
Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter O.18.

A Statement of the Reasons for the Proposed Designation of
The John Jacob Lunau House is attached.

NOTICE OF OBJECTION to the designation may be served
on the Town Clerk within thirty (30) days of December 24,
1998.

Bob Panizza,
Town Clerk
The Corporation of the Town of Markham
101 Town Centre Boulevard
Markham, Ontario
L3R 9W3



STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR DESIGNATION

The John Jacob Lunau House is recommended for designation under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act because of its Architectural and Historical significance.

Historical Reasons

Joachim Lunau, an original Berczy settler, was first granted Lot 14 in Concession 3. In 1803 he exchanged for the site on Warden Avenue. In 1827, Joachim sold the lot to his youngest son John Jacob, who in turn sold to his youngest son, Silas in 1867. The 1851 census lists John Jacob Lunau on this property in a residence constructed of unburned brick. On the 1861 census, the house is described as a 1½ storey board home.

John Jacob Lunau was a reformer and a personal friend of Wm. Lyon Mackenzie. Called to participate in the 1837 rebellion, John Jacob was unable to because of his failing health. In 1862, John Jacob deeded a parcel of land on this site to the Bethel Primitive Methodist Church. Today only the Lunau cemetery marks the site of the former small frame church.

Architectural Reasons

The John Jacob Lunau house, built c. 1840-60 is a 1½ storey Georgian style cottage with Gothic Revival elements. The exterior material is wood, vertical plank. The roof type is a medium pitch gable and the windows are rectangular with 2/2 pane division.

The front facade is three bays wide with the centre gable and main entrance door placed in a slightly asymmetrical manner. There is a gothic window on second storey with a paired 2/2 window and a single 2/2 window on either side of the main entrance. An original addition to the right side has subsequently been removed.

The centre gable with Gothic window has been restored based on an archival photograph. The bell-cast porch was re-introduced based on examination of outline on wood.

The John Jacob Lunau house was relocated to the Markham Heritage Estates subdivision in 1995 due to the construction of Highway # 407.

IDENTIFICATION

Property: The John Jacob Lunau House, 12 David Gohn Circle
Lot 19, Plan 65M-2761
Markham Heritage Estates

Former Property: 8030 Warden Avenue
Lot 8, Concession 4

Owners: [REDACTED]
12 David Gohn Circle
Markham, Ontario L6E 1A7

Inventory No.: D6-1 (former location)
G4-5B (new location)

Assessment Roll No.: 030-126-85200-000

Date of Construction: c. 1840-60

Style of Architecture: Georgian Cottage

Type of Structure: Residence

General Characteristics: House relocated to Markham Heritage Estates from 8030 Warden Avenue.

No. of Storeys: 1.5

Material: Unburned brick, wood, vertical plank

Foundation: Undetermined

Roof Type: Medium Pitch Gable

Features: Gothic window on front gable, 3 x 2 bays,
exterior side left chimney, projecting
eaves and verges

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Sources:

1. Markham Inventory of Historic Buildings (8030 warden Avenue)
2. 1851 and 1861 Census data
3. 12 David Gohn Circle File - various correspondence.