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July 27, 2005

Woodbine/Cachet West Inc.  
30 Floral Parkway  
Concord, ON  
L4K 4R1  
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7/29/05  
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Attn: Woodbine/Cachet West Inc.:

Re: By-law 2005-257- To designate certain properties as being of historic and/or architectural value or interest (Daniel Quantz House - 2960 Sixteenth Avenue)

This will advise that Council at its meeting held on June 28 & 29, 2005, passed By-law 2005-257, which designated "Daniel Quantz House", 2960 Sixteenth Avenue, as being of historic and/or architectural value or interest.

A copy of the by-law, with the pertinent registration data, is attached for your information.

Sincerely,



Sheila Birrell  
Town Clerk

Encl.

cc: The Ontario Heritage Foundation  
R. Hutcheson, Manager, Heritage Planning

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## BY-LAW 2005-257

A by-law to designate a property as being of  
Historic and/or Architectural Value or Interest  
Daniel Quantz House

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WHEREAS Pursuant to Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act, the council of a municipality is authorized to enact by-laws to designate a real property, including all the buildings and structures thereon, to be of historic and/or architectural value or interest;

AND WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Markham has caused to be served on the owners of the lands and premises at:

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and upon the Ontario Heritage Foundation, notice of intention to designate Daniel Quantz House, 2960 Sixteenth Avenue and has caused such notice of intention to be published once in a newspaper having a general circulation in the municipality;

AND WHEREAS the reasons for designations are set out in Schedule "B" attached hereto and forming part of this by-law;

NOW THEREFORE THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF MARKHAM HEREBY ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

1. THAT the following real properties, more particularly described in Schedule "A" attached hereto and forming part of this by-law is hereby designated as being of historic and/or architectural value or interest:

Daniel Quantz House  
2960 Sixteenth Avenue  
Town of Markham  
The Regional Municipality of York

2. THAT the Town Solicitor is hereby authorized to cause a copy of this by-law to be registered against the properties described in Schedule "A" attached hereto in the property Land Registry Office.

READ A FIRST, SECOND, AND THIRD TIME AND PASSED THIS  
28<sup>TH</sup> AND 29<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF JUNE, 2005.

"Sheila Birrell"

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SHEILA BIRRELL  
TOWN CLERK

"Frank Scarpitti"

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FRANK SCARPITTI  
DEPUTY MAYOR

**SCHEDULE 'A' TO  
BY-LAW 2005-257**

In the Town of Markham in the Regional Municipality of York, property descriptions as follows:

Part Lot 16 Concession 3 (MKM), Part 12 Plan 65R15028

TOWN OF MARKHAM  
REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF YORK

## SCHEDULE 'B' TO BY-LAW 2005-257

### Daniel Quantz House

#### Statement of Heritage Attributes

The Daniel Quantz House is recommended for designation under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act as a property of cultural heritage value and interest containing the following heritage attributes:

#### Historical Attributes

Melchior (Michael) Quantz, a native of Hamburg, Germany, was a member of a Hessian regiment that fought for the British side in the American War of Independence. He was listed among the Berczy group of settlers at Niagara, and was granted Lot 13, Concession 2, Markham Township, in 1802. The family were members of the Lutheran Church. Melchior Quantz had two sons, Frederic, born in London, England, in 1785, and George, born in 1786. The family homestead was located within a part of the township that became known as "Dollar" when a post office was established at the intersection of today's Highway 7 and Leslie Street, in 1869.

Frederic married Elizabeth Ritter. One of their children was Daniel (born circa 1830), who remained on the family homestead well into adulthood, along with two sisters, Margaret and Lydia. Daniel Quantz, a farmer, married Mary Ann Fierheller. He purchased 7 ½ acres at the south east corner of Lot 16, Concession 3, in 1868 (the site of 2960 Sixteenth Avenue), but continued to reside at the homestead until at least 1871, based on the local directory listings. By the time of the 1881 census, Daniel and Mary Ann had moved to Bliss Corners (the intersection of today's 16<sup>th</sup> Avenue and Woodbine Avenue). According to the census, both Daniel Quantz and his wife were 51 years of age and had no children.

The house at 2960 Sixteenth Avenue was built on a portion of a 10 acre strip of the east half of Lot 16, Concession 3, purchased from John Large by James Hunter in 1834. The 7 ½ acre parcel (the subject site) was created in 1860. According to the 1861 census, a number of frame dwellings were located on this part of Lot 16, one of which may have been 2960 Sixteenth Avenue. It is possible that Daniel Quantz moved into an existing house rather than building a new one. Alternatively, he may have replaced or substantially remodelled and enlarged a smaller, older home on the site. Previous research and architectural features of the house point to a date in the early 1870s for the house in its current form.

#### Architectural Attributes

The Daniel Quantz house is a good example of an evolved heritage building. It began as a one and a half storey frame house with a simple rectangular plan and a balanced 3-bay front. There is a one storey, gable roofed rear wing located on the east half of the rear (north) wall that appears to be the original kitchen. In the 1960s, the house was modified with the addition of a shallow, gable-fronted wing on the front (south) wall.

The walls are clapboarded with corner boards and simple trim around the window openings. Windows have flat-headed openings, a 6 over 6 glazing pattern, and projecting wood lugsills. The existing shutters are a modern design and are not considered significant. The roof is a medium pitched gable with projecting eaves and simple trim. There is an additional gable on the rear roof slope.

The projecting front wing, which was sensitively designed to complement the finish and proportions of the original building, has details that reflect the relatively modern period of construction, including a large front window and off-centre door, screened porch, second floor casement window with a multi-paned transom light. An exterior fireplace chimney in red brick is located on the west wall of the projecting wing.

**Contextual Attributes**

The Daniel Quantz House is of contextual significance as one of only four remaining historical attributes of the original settlement of Bliss Corners, located at the intersection of 16<sup>th</sup> Avenue and Woodbine Avenue. Together with the Bliss House, the Calvert House and the Francis Button House, the Daniel Quantz House helps to illustrate that a pioneer community was once located at this intersection.

**Significant Architectural Features to be Conserved**

- Overall form of the building, including the front and rear wings;
- Wood clapboard siding and associated trim;
- Medium pitched gable roof with projecting eaves and associated wood trim;
- Wood windows with 6 over 6 glazing, projecting lugsills and associated trim.