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## The Town of Markham

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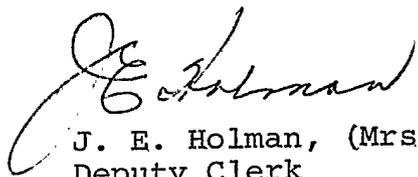
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Ontario Heritage Foundation  
77 Bloor Street West  
Toronto, Ontario

Dear Sirs:

We are forwarding herewith as required by  
The Ontario Heritage Act, a copy of By-law  
#4-78, a by-law to designate certain  
properties in the Town of Markham as being  
of historical or architectural value or  
interest.

Yours truly,

  
J. E. Holman, (Mrs.)  
Deputy Clerk

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Encl:

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF MARKHAM

BY-LAW NUMBER 4-78

A by-law to designate certain properties  
as being of Historic or Architectural  
value or interest.

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WHEREAS Section 29 of The Ontario Heritage Act, 1974 authorizes the council of a municipality to enact by-laws to designate real property, including all the buildings and structures thereon, to be of historic 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 known as:

118 Main Street, Unionville  
141 Main Street, Unionville  
124 Main Street, Unionville  
322 Main Street, Markham  
/123 Main Street, Unionville  
206 Main Street, Unionville  
37 and 39 Colbourne Street, Thornhill  
159 Main Street North, Markham

and upon the Ontario Heritage Foundation, notice of intention to so designate the aforesaid real properties and has caused such notice of intention to be published in a newspaper having a general circulation in the municipality once for each of three consecutive weeks;

AND WHEREAS the reasons for designation are set out in Schedules "B", "C", "D", "E", "F", "G", "H", "I" and "J" attached hereto;

AND WHEREAS no notice of objection to the proposed designation has been served on the Clerk of the Municipality;

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

1. THAT the following real properties, more particularly described in Schedule "A" attached hereto, are designated as being of historic and/or architectural value or interest:



DESCRIPTION OF LANDS

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FIRSTLY: (118 Main Street, Unionville) (Instrument Number 69650)

ALL AND SINGULAR that certain parcel or tract of land and premises situate lying and being in the Town of Markham, in the Regional Municipality of York (formerly the Township of Markham in the County of York), and being composed of the whole of Lot B, according to Plan Number 570, registered in the Registry Office for the Registry Division of Toronto Boroughs and York South.

SECONDLY: (141 Main Street, Unionville) (Instrument Number 75211)

ALL AND SINGULAR that certain parcel or tract of land and premises situate lying and being in the Town of Markham, in the Regional Municipality of York (formerly the Township of Markham in the County of York) and being composed of a part of the front of Lot Twelve in the Sixth Concession of the said Town of Markham, described as follows:

COMMENCING at the distance of One Hundred and Twenty Six decimal Seven Two feet (126.72') measured Northerly along the Westerly limit of said Lot Twelve from the North side of Victoria Avenue in the said Sixth Concession;

THENCE Southerly along the Westerly limit of said Lot Twelve to the North side of Victoria Avenue;

THENCE Easterly along the North side of Victoria Avenue Two Hundred and Twenty Seven decimal zero four feet (227.04');

THENCE Northerly parallel with the Westerly limit of said Lot Twelve Sixty Eight decimal Six Four feet (68.64');

THENCE Westerly in a straight line to the place of beginning, containing half an acre of land more or less.

THIRDLY: (124 Main Street, Unionville) (Instrument Number 67985)

ALL AND SINGULAR that certain parcel or tract of land and premises situate, lying and being in the Town of Markham in the Regional Municipality of York (formerly the Township of Markham in the County of York) and being composed of part of Lot 11, in the Fifth Concession of the said Town of Markham, more particularly described as follows:

COMMENCING at a point in the east limit of the said Lot where it is intersected by the northerly limit of Euclid Street as shown on a Plan registered in the Registry Office for the Registry Division of Toronto Boroughs and York South as No. 335 for the Town of Markham;

THENCE North Nine degrees West ( $9^{\circ} 00' 00''$ W) along the easterly limit of said Lot 11 a distance of one hundred and thirty-two feet (132' 0") to a point;

THENCE South seventy-three degrees, twenty-two minutes, ten seconds West (S 73° 22' 10" W) a distance of one hundred and sixty-five and five-tenths feet (165.5');

THENCE southerly and parallel to the easterly limit of the said Lot 11 a distance of one hundred and thirty-two feet (132.0') to a point in the northerly limit of Euclid Street;

THENCE North seventy-three degrees twenty-two minutes, ten seconds east (N 73° 22' 10" E) along said northerly limit of Euclid Street a distance of one hundred and sixty-five and five-tenths feet (165.5') to the point of commencement.

FOURTHLY: (322 Main Street, Markham) (Instrument Number 20332)

ALL AND SINGULAR that certain parcel or tract of land and premises situate lying and being in the Town of Markham in the Regional Municipality of York (formerly the Township of Markham in the County of York) and being composed of part of Lot 15 in the Seventh Concession of the said Town of Markham and more particularly described as follows:

COMMENCING at a point in the easterly limit of said Lot distant 284 feet measured northerly therealong from the southeast angle of said Lot 15;

THENCE North 9 degrees west along the easterly limit of said lot a distance of 75.70 feet more or less to a point;

THENCE South 74 degrees west a distance of 165 feet more or less to a point;

THENCE South 9 degrees a distance of 76.69 feet more or less to the northwest angle of the lands described in Instrument 15495 Town of Markham;

THENCE North 74 degrees east along the northerly limit of the said lands described in Instrument 15495 a distance of 165 feet more or less to the point of commencement.

FIFTHLY (123 Main Street, Unionville) (Instrument Number 67017)

ALL AND SINGULAR that certain parcel or tract of land and premises situate, lying and being in the Town of Markham in the Regional Municipality of York (formerly the Township of Markham in the County of York) and being composed of (Unionville) Village Lot No.14 as shown on the Plan thereof registered in the Registry Office for the Registry Division of Toronto Boroughs and York South as No. 401.

SIXTHLY: (206 Main Street, Unionville) (Instrument Number 51203)

ALL AND SINGULAR that certain parcel or tract of land and premises situate, lying and being in the Town of Markham in the Regional Municipality of York (formerly in the Village of Unionville, in the Township of Markham, in the County of York) and being composed of part of Lot 12 in the Fifth Concession of the said Town of Markham, more particularly described as follows:

PREMISING that the west limit of Union Street as shown on an unregistered plan by Proctor and Redfern dated March 31st, 1926 held at the Markham Municipal Offices has a bearing of North 4 degrees 30 minutes west and that all bearings used herein are related thereto;

COMMENCING at the intersection of the west limit of Union Street in the former Village of Unionville with its intersection of the North Limit of Lot 12;

THENCE South 4 degrees 30 minutes east and being along the west limit of Union Street a distance of 82 feet to a point;

THENCE West and parallel with the north limit of said Lot a distance of 264 feet to a point;

THENCE North 4 degrees 30 minutes west a distance of 82 feet to the north limit of said Lot 12;

THENCE East and along the north limit of said Lot a distance of 264 feet to the point of commencement.

SEVENTHLY: (37 Colbourne Street, Thornhill) (Instrument Number 34745)

ALL AND SINGULAR that certain parcel or tract of land and premises situate lying and being in the Town of Markham in the Regional Municipality of York (formerly the Township of Markham in the County of York) known as Lot 10 on the south side of Colbourne Street as shown on Registered Plan 71 as registered in the Registry Office for the Registry Division of Toronto Boroughs and York South, save and except that East forty-one feet throughout of said Lot Number 10.

ALSO the east ten feet throughout of Lot Number 9 on said Plan 71 on the south side of Colbourne Street, in the said Town of Markham.

EIGHTHLY: (39 Colbourne Street, Thornhill) (Instrument Number 87702)

ALL AND SINGULAR that certain parcel or tract of land and premises situate, lying and being in the Town of Markham, in the Regional Municipality of York and Province of Ontario, being composed of part of Lot 10 on the south side of Colbourne Street, according to a plan filed in the Registry Office for the Registry Division of Toronto Boroughs and York South as No. 71, the boundaries of the said parcel of land being described as follows:

COMMENCING at a point in the southerly limit of Colbourne Street where the same would be intersected by the production northerly of the centre line of the partition wall between the pair of frame dwellings now on the said Lot 10, the said point of intersection being distant forty-three feet and five and one-quarter inches measured westerly along the said southerly limit of Colbourne Street from the westerly limit of Church Street;

THENCE Southerly to and along the said centre line of the said partition wall and continuing southerly in a straight line a distance of one hundred and fifty-five feet, more or less, to a point in the southerly limit of the said Lot 10 distant forty-one feet measured along the said southerly limit from the westerly limit of Church Street;

THENCE Easterly along the said Southerly limit of the said Lot 10 a distance of forty-one feet to the westerly limit of Church Street

THENCE Northerly along the said westerly limit of Church Street a distance of one hundred and fifty-five feet, more or less, to the southerly limit of Colbourne Street;

THENCE Westerly along the said southerly limit of Colbourne Street a distance of forty-three feet, five and one-quarter inches to the point of commencement.

NINETHLY (159 Main Street North, Markham) (Instrument Number 87722)

ALL AND SINGULAR that certain parcel or tract of land and premises situate lying and being in the Town of Markham in the Regional Municipality of York, and being composed of Part of Lot 1 in Block K as shown on Plan 18 as registered in the Registry Office for the Registry Division of Toronto Boroughs and York South, more particularly described as follows:

COMMENCING at the north-westerly angle of said Lot 1;

THENCE North 72 degrees, 29 minutes, 40 seconds east along the northerly limit of said Lot 330.07 feet more or less to the north-easterly angle of said Lot;

THENCE South 8 degrees, 59 minutes, 50 seconds east along the easterly limit of said Lot being the westerly limit of George Street 110.00 feet;

THENCE South 72 degrees 29 minutes, 40 seconds west, 144.05 feet;

THENCE North 13 degrees, 05 minutes, 00 seconds west, 34.72 feet to a point distant 146.50 feet measured on a course of south 72 degrees, 29 minutes, 40 seconds west from the easterly limit of said Lot;

THENCE South 72 degrees, 29 minutes, 40 seconds west, 35.75 feet;

THENCE North 16 degrees, 05 minutes, 40 seconds west, 62.19 feet more or less to a point distant 140.00 feet measured on a course of north 72 degrees, 29 minutes, 40 seconds east from the westerly limit of said Lot said point being also distant 12.19 feet measured on a course of south 9 degrees, 00 minutes, 00 seconds east from the northerly limit of said Lot;

THENCE South 72 degrees, 29 minutes, 40 seconds west, 140.00 feet to the westerly limit of the said Lot;

THENCE North 9 degrees, 00 minutes, 00 seconds west along the westerly limit of said Lot being the easterly limit of Main Street North 12.19 feet to the point of commencement.

SCHEDULE "B" TO BY-LAW NUMBER 4-78

REASONS FOR DESIGNATION (118 Main Street, Unionville)

The house at 118 Main Street, Unionville, Ontario is recommended for designation for architectural reasons as an example of an Ontario vernacular building type prevalent in the municipality. This one and a half storey house has a T-shaped plan with a central gable. The main entrance is located at the northern end of the eastern principal facade and it still retains the original plank main and storm doors which match the external vertical planking of the exterior walls. The verandah which runs the length of the principal facade has stylized supports with capitals from which S-curved brackets spring toward the tent style roof. The second storey windows are shaped with double arches at their heads. The functional shutters are also arched.

It is believed that the house was built between 1877 and 1879 when the property was owned by William Weatherall. He purchased the lot in 1877. It appears that the fieldstone foundation on which the house rests was built during William Eckardt's ownership of the lot. The construction of this foundation suggests that something other than a domestic dwelling was once situated on this particular location.

SCHEDULE "C" TO BY-LAW NUMBER 4-78  
REASONS FOR DESIGNATION (141 Main Street, Unionville)

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The Harrington House, 141 Main Street, Unionville, Ontario is recommended for designation for architectural, historical and environmental reasons. The house was built in 1873 in the Italianate style and it projects the picturesque irregularity popular at the time with contrasting surface textures and two verandahs of varying decoration, one on the main facade, the other on the south facade. The roof line supports a trim most associated with the Italianate style; the brackets organized in widely spaced pairs. In addition the northwest corner of the house assumes the appearance of a short, square watch tower of medieval inspiration, heralding the High Victorian principles of mixing styles to obtain a picturesque effect.

The house was built for Robert Harrington who owned and operated the Unionville Planing Mill from 1881 to 1896. The mill was a major employer of the village's residents and it continued to be operated by the Harrington family until the early 1960's.

Located on a small rise at the jog in Main Street at the corner of Victoria Street, the house is highly visible as one travels north into the village and it is an important element of the streetscape.

SCHEDULE "D" TO BY-LAW NUMBER 4-78  
REASONS FOR DESIGNATION (124 Main Street, Unionville)

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The William Eckardt House at 124 Main Street, Unionville, Ontario is recommended for designation for architectural reasons as an excellent example of the vernacular Regency style of the middle of the 19th century in Ontario. The principal facade facing to the east supports two floor length casement windows of 12 panes each half and a pointed gothic gable window with an iron balustrade on the upper storey. The main entrance, also located on the eastern facade, is typical of Regency cottage construction, being deeply recessed with the side and transom panel lights mullioned. The house has received much acclaim and it has been featured in many books on Ontario's architectural history.

The house is important in terms of the local streetscape, occupying the northwest corner of Euclid and Main Streets. Heavily landscaped, the property adds an air of grace at the crossroads.

Mr. William Eckardt purchased the land in 1856 and subdivided much of the 100 acre property into lots on which many of Unionville's homes now stand. Mr. Eckardt built his home, according to some records, as early as 1852. He was the son of Gottlieb Eckardt, the 'Rebel' who received notoriety during the Mackenzie Uprising of 1837, and grandson of Philip Eckardt one of the original pioneers of the municipality settling here in the 1780's.

SCHEDULE "E" TO BY-LAW NUMBER 4-78  
REASONS FOR DESIGNATION (322 Main Street, Markham)

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The building locally known as the United Missionary Manse at 322 Main Street North, Markham, Ontario is recommended for designation for architectural reasons as being a fine example of a vernacular building style popular in the area during the middle of the 19th century. This one and a half storey, three bay wide symmetrical house has a steeply pitched central gable on the eastern principal facade. It is constructed of timber frame clad in narrow vertical plank and rests on a split fieldstone foundation. The main entrance has a projecting entablature with carved dentils, resting on two square pilasters on either side of the doorway. Inside the pilasters the door is surrounded by sidelight panels and a semi-elliptical, segmented transom. The bargeboard is fashioned in a tear drop manner along the eaves of the centre gable with an ornate pendant dropping from its apex. To the west facade is attached a small open portico with pillar supports.

The house was originally built circa 1875 by and for David Meyer and around 1920 housed the local minister of the first United Missionary Church in Markham.

SCHEDULE "F" TO BY-LAW NUMBER

4-78

REASONS FOR DESIGNATION (123 Main Street, Unionville)

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Originally owned by Esther Summerfeldt and built for her by George Robinson circa 1879, the house at 123 Main Street in Unionville, Ontario is recommended for designation for architectural reasons as being one of the few buildings executed in the Second Empire Style in the Village of Unionville. The second storey is lighted by dormer windows which are capped in gable fashion with decorated bargeboard. The roof is a four-sided mansard type with a slight belcast eave. It supports a trim of scalloped bargeboard and brackets around parts of the perimeter of the eaves. The profile of the individual bracket reveals an ornate attempt to simulate the curve of the bargeboard itself. The roof of the principal verandah on the main facade takes the slope of the popular tent style. From its turned supporting columns, decorative arches spring into two separate arcs. An added feature, on the south wall of the house, is a one-storey bay window that carries out its decorative elements in the same manner as the rest of the house.

SCHEDULE "G" TO BY-LAW NUMBER 4-78  
REASONS FOR DESIGNATION (206 Main Street, Unionville)

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The adobe brick dwelling located at 206 Main Street, Unionville Ontario is recommended for designation for architectural and historical reasons. It is believed to be the oldest remaining house in the former village of Unionville, constructed circa 1829 by a member of the pioneer Eckhardt family. The adobe bricks were later covered by stucco and fired bricks.

This one-storey square house is three bays wide and is a fine example of the very popular Ontario Cottage style. In the front which faces east, the openings are all very generous. The Neo-classical porch has a shallow wall relief neatly constructed with a shelf entablature and four square pilasters, two on either side of the main door. Between each pair of pilasters there are recessed side lights. The windows flanking the entranceway are Venetian ones with side lights. The roof is a low hipped one with a chimney located on the north wall and another on the south wall. Under the eaves there is a narrow band of unadorned frieze.

The house was probably built by Frederick Eckhardt. Since 1921 Ewart Stiver has lived in the house. It has been in his family since 1873 when the Jenkins family left the farm.

The Jenkins called it 'Fern Cottage'.

SCHEDULE "H" TO BY-LAW NUMBER

4-78

REASONS FOR DESIGNATION (37 Colbourne Street, Thornhill)

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The double house comprising 37 and 39 Colbourne Street in Thornhill, Ontario is recommended for designation for architectural and historical reasons as a good example of a type of building prevalent to the area in the middle of the 19th century. The double or semi-detached house was a common sight in the early stages of Canadian domestic architecture, especially in milling villages such as Thornhill. This particular double house was owned by Thomas Hamill Robinson, a carpenter, and he most likely rented it to workers from Thornhill's mills located along the nearby Don River.

The dwelling is important in terms of the local streetscape as the easternmost units of a series of houses between Yonge Street and Church Lane. This area forms the best preserved and perhaps the most typical section of the old village of Thornhill.

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SCHEDULE "J" TO BY-LAW NUMBER 4-78  
REASONS FOR DESIGNATION (159 Main Street North, Markham)

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The lands and buildings, locally known as the Wales House, at 159 Main Street North in Markham, Ontario are recommended for designation for architectural and historical reasons. The house was build circa 1845 by H.R. Wales, a wagon and carriage maker in the village.

The two-storey, three bay wide house has been maintained in excellent condition. It is basically a hip-roofed Regency villa of the simple centre-hall plan. Centrally placed in the principal facade is a one-storey, flat roofed, rectangular block which contains the main entrance door. The door is surrounded by sidelights and a rectangular, segmented transom. The eaves of this block are decorated with brackets in the same mould as those along the verandahs which flank this block. The main verandahs which extend to the north and to the south from the projecting front block have stylized supports with capitals from which S-curved brackets spring toward the tent style roof. The paired brackets under the roof eaves, the brackets along the main floor eaves and the ornate verandahs are set off by the simplicity of the door and window openings and the warm yellow brick. In textural contrast to the brick which comprises the main wall surfaces, smooth ashlar was used for the lugsills and top window surrounds. On the second storey, the central window is recessed in a semi-circular design. The brick is fashioned into raised quoins at the corners of the house.

In the rear garden there is an early bake oven and smoke house. The house is well set back from the road and its heavily landscaped grounds retain the trees from when the house was first built.