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## The Town of Markham

IN THE MATTER OF THE ONTARIO HERITAGE ACT, 1974, R.S.O. CHAPTER 122.

AND IN THE MATTER OF THE LANDS AND PREMISES KNOWN MUNICIPALLY AS 197 Main Street, Unionville, IN THE TOWN OF MARKHAM IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.

## NOTICE OF INTENTION TO DESIGNATE

TO:

Ontario Heritage Foundation.

Take notice that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Markham, on the 14th day of February, 1978, passed a motion of intention to designate the property, including lands and buildings, known municipally as 197 Main Street, Unionville, Ontario, as a property of architectural and/or historical interest or value under Part 1V of The Ontario Heritage Act, 1974, R.S.O. Chapter 122.

## Short Statement of the Reasons for the Proposed Designation:

The building at 197 Main Street, Unionville, is recommended for designation for architectural and historical reasons as an excellent example of a vernacular Gothic Revival house. Clad in board and batten on a coarse stone foundation, it is two storeys high, three bays wide and tow bays deep.

The main entrance with its sidelights and transom is shaded by an open portico. The windows are shuttered and much of the glazing is the original hand-blown glass. Except for one steep gable on the facade the bargeboard is carved in a droop motif. There is a conservatory running the full width of the south wall.

At one time there were Regency style verandahs on both sides of the front portico.

Salem Eckardt presumably built the house c.1850. A prominent member of the village, he manufactured farm implements, was an auctioneeer, builder, tax collector, among other occupations.

Mr. and Mrs. McKay, who purchased the house in 1957, had as a house guest for 12 years Fred Varley, an original member of the Group of Seven.

Notice of objection to the designation may be served on the Clerk within thirty (30) days of the 8th day of March, 1978.

Dated at Markham this 8th day of March, 1978.

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Diane E. Smith, (Mrs), Town Clerk.

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