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In the Matter of the *Ontario Heritage Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c.O. 18

And in the Matter of the property  
Known Municipally as 302 Given Road, Newcastle,  
in The Municipality of Clarington

### **Public Notice of Intention to Amend Designation**

Take Notice that the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Clarington intends to amend the designation of the property, located at 302 Given Road, Newcastle, in the Municipality of Clarington, as a property of architectural and historical value under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, c.O.18.

#### **Reasons for Proposed Amendment to Designation**

##### **Description of Property**

302 Given Road, "The Belmont", is a two storey brick farm house, located on the north side of Given Road in Newcastle, built in the Georgian style, with Edwardian Classicism elements and details.

##### **Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest**

The property's physical cultural heritage value lies in it being an excellent example of a vernacular farmhouse in former Clarke Township in the late nineteenth century. The building is constructed in the Georgian style with Edwardian Classicism elements and details. The current house was reconstructed in the late 1890's on the original foundation after the original house, circa 1814, was destroyed by fire in 1898. The current house has many of the elements of the original Georgian style house but includes Edwardian elements not believed to be featured on the original house. The original house was clapboard the second house is brick.

The property's cultural heritage value lies in its association with Samuel Street Wilmot, his son Samuel Wilmot and the Newcastle Fish Hatchery, the first fish hatchery in Canada. Samuel Wilmot was a Deputy Surveyor in Upper Canada and served as a Major during the Battle of York in 1813 and built the first Belmont residence following the War of 1812. Samuel Wilmot, regarded as the Father of Canadian Fish Aqua-Culture, resided at The Belmont and conducted experiments with breeding techniques in the cellar of The Belmont in the early 1860's which led to the eventual establishment of the Newcastle Fish Hatchery.

The property's contextual cultural heritage value lies in its location and proximity to Wilmot Creek, where Samuel Wilmot established the Newcastle Fish Hatchery. The creek is located to the south and west of the Belmont property and was the source of the water that feeds the cellar spring of the Belmont residence. The visual and spatial association between the former Newcastle Fish Hatchery and Wilmot Creek and The Belmont is significant to maintaining the local history of Samuel Wilmot and the Newcastle Fish Hatchery.

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**Description of Heritage Attributes**

Key attributes of the property that reflect its values as an example of a vernacular farmhouse in former Clarke Township in the late nineteenth century include:

**Exterior:**

- The three bay symmetry on the south façade;
- The original foundation;
- Pillared verandas on the south and east facades;
- Wooden dentils and brackets on cornice;
- Bay windows in front parlour rooms;
- Wood-sash windows;
- The mature trees in the front yard; and
- Curved carriageway that arrives at the main entrance.

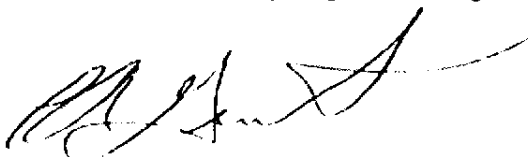
**Interior:**

- The cellar spring;
- Fireplaces and mantels;
- The centre hall plan;
- The main staircase made of cherry wood;
- The original wood trim; and
- Bricked arches in the cellar.

Further information respecting the proposed amendment to the designation is available from the Municipality of Clarington.

Any person may, within thirty (30) days of the publication of this notice, send by Registered Mail or deliver to the Municipal Clerk of the Municipality of Clarington, notice of his or her objection to the proposed designation, together with a statement of the reasons for the objection and all relevant facts. If such a notice of objection is received, the Council of the Municipality of Clarington shall refer the matter to the Conservation Review Board for a hearing.

Dated at the Municipality of Clarington this 1<sup>st</sup> day of October, 2018.



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