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Subject: Notice of Intent to Designate  
John Hastings House – 3285 Sideline 20  
Joseph Wilson House – 1390 Whitevale Road  
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At a meeting held June 27, 2016, the Council of the Corporation of the City of Pickering passed Report PD 10-16, a copy of which is enclosed, to designate properties municipally known as 3285 Sideline 20, and 1390 Whitevale Road, Pickering, as Heritage Structures under Part IV of the *Ontario Heritage Act*.

A Notice of Intent to Designate these properties will be advertised in the December 19<sup>th</sup>, 2018 issue of the News Advertiser. A copy of the Notices to Designate outlining the heritage attributes is attached.

Further information regarding the designation can be obtained by contacting Elizabeth Martelluzzi, Planner II - Heritage, at 905.420.4660 ext. 2169.



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### **Notice of Intention to Designate**

Take notice that the Council of the City of Pickering intends to designate the following property as a property of cultural heritage value or interest under Part IV, Section 29 of the *Ontario Heritage Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c. 0.18. A brief statement of reasons is included.

**1390 Whitevale Road  
"Joseph Willson House"  
Part Lot 22, Concession 5, being Part 1, 40R-24269  
City of Pickering**

The property known municipally as 1390 Whitevale Road is located on the north side of Whitevale Road, east of the hamlet of Whitevale.

The property is notable for the one-and-a-half-storey dwelling constructed between 1832 and 1851. The Joseph Willson house is a representative example of a Georgian style house typical of early settlers along the north shore of Lake Ontario during the 1830s and 1840s. Its symmetrical, three-bay façade with a central door, regularly placed openings on side elevations, the pitch and placement of the side-gable roof, and the returned cornice are consistent with the style. It is a rare example of a catslide roof in a mid-19<sup>th</sup> century stone house. The house is a representative example of local construction materials and techniques during the 1830s and 1840s, including the use of local fieldstone in a variety of colours; the coursed ashlar treatment of the façade; the quoins at the corners and rough voussoirs over the openings, and the roughly coursed rubble stone at the rear and side elevations.

The property is directly related to the early settlement of the Whitevale area and the development of local agriculture in the early-to-mid-19<sup>th</sup> century. The property is directly associated with Asher Willson (1788-1896) and his son Joseph Willson (1818-1890), both of whom lived in the stone house and farmed the property. Asher Willson was an early settler in Pickering Township who played important roles in the local agricultural community, township administration, church founding, and the temperance movement. Asher and Joseph Willson both participated in the 1837 Rebellion.

The property is important in defining and maintaining the heritage character of the Whitevale Road corridor. The property is associated with the early settlement of the area and development of local agriculture. It is visually and historically linked to the surrounding agricultural fields, which were farmed by members of the Willson family for many decades, and to the 19<sup>th</sup> century neighbouring farmsteads.

#### **Description of Heritage Attributes**

The heritage attributes of the Joseph Willson House are:

- its Georgian style including: the symmetrical, three-bay façade with a central door, the regularly placed openings on side elevations, the pitch and placement of the side-gable roof, and the wood cornice and returned eaves