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## THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF CALEDON

### BY-LAW NO. 2021-93

A by-law to designate the property located at  
18030 Centreville Creek Road as being of  
cultural heritage value or interest

WHEREAS Section 29 of the *Ontario Heritage Act* authorizes the council of a municipality to enact by-laws to designate property to be of cultural heritage value or interest;

AND WHEREAS the Council of The Corporation of the Town of Caledon (the "Council") has consulted with the municipal heritage committee known as Heritage Caledon, with respect to the designation of the Property as being of cultural heritage value or interest;

AND WHEREAS the Council has caused notice of its intention to designate the Property to be given in accordance with subsections 29(3), 29(4) and 29(4.1) of the *Ontario Heritage Act*;


AND WHEREAS the statement of cultural heritage value or interest and description of the heritage attributes in respect of the Property are set out in Schedule "A" to this by-law;


AND WHEREAS no notice of objection to the proposed designation of the Property has been served on the Clerk for The Corporation of the Town of Caledon;

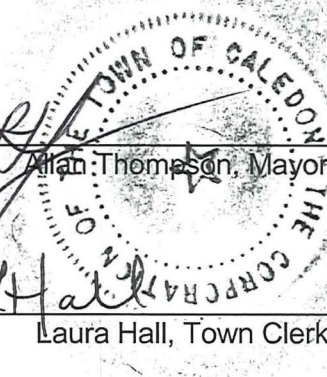
NOW THEREFORE the Council of The Corporation of the Town of Caledon ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

1. The property at 18030 Centreville Creek Road (the "Property"), more particularly described in Schedules "B" and "C" to this by-law, is designated as being of cultural heritage value or interest for reasons set out in Schedule "A" to this by-law.
2. A copy of this by-law to be registered against the Property described in Schedule "B" to this by-law in the proper Land Registry Office.
3. A copy of this by-law to be served upon the owner of the Property and upon the Ontario Heritage Trust and to cause notice of this by-law to be published in a newspaper having general circulation in the Town of Caledon as required by the *Ontario Heritage Act*.

Enacted by the Town of Caledon Council this 14<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2021.

  
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Alan Thompson, Mayor

  
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Laura Hall, Town Clerk



## **SCHEDULE "A" to BY-LAW 2021-93**

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

The property at 18030 Centreville Creek Road is within the east half of Lot 31, Concession 2, Albion Township (Parts 1, 2, and 3 on Plan 43R-32891).

The historical or associative value of this property is found in the longevity of its ownership/occupancy by the Spence/Irwin family, who emigrated from Ireland in 1819 and were among the earliest Irish immigrants to settle and farm in Albion Township. George Spence, Sr. (spouse Margaret Howden) bought the 100 acres in 1826 and sold it to their grandson George Irwin in 1840. George Irwin (spouse Mary Stinson) sold it to their son George (spouse Martha Snell). George, then Martha, then their adopted son George Snell Robinson (Martha's nephew) owned the property until Robinson's death in July 1931. The ability of the family by about 1840 to erect a Neo-Classical style dwelling that is more refined in style and technology than the first log dwellings or shanties built by settlers, is representative of their success in establishing a new life in Albion. The survival of this modest scale structure in original and replicated condition, with a late 19<sup>th</sup>/early 20<sup>th</sup> century barn and a 20<sup>th</sup> century small barn, contributes to an understanding of the character and evolution of the Irish farming community in this area.

Regarding design or physical value, many of the original architectural elements of the dwelling were restored, replicated, or partially removed between 2001 and 2008. The dwelling still presents as a representative and increasingly rare example of Neo-Classical architecture in Albion Township. The date of construction is estimated as c.1840. When built, its rectangular form, 1.5 storey massing, medium-pitched gable roof with returned eaves, 3-bay façade, multipaned windows, and overall symmetry were characteristic of this early style. It has early timber frame construction with mortise and tenon joinery and plaster wall construction. The orientation of the dwelling to the east compass point, rather than to the roadway, may demonstrate a preference of early Irish settlers. The late 19<sup>th</sup>/early 20<sup>th</sup> century barn and 20<sup>th</sup> century small barn are good examples of rural farm outbuildings.

Contextually, this is a rural setting where the land is primarily forested (and reforested) or in agricultural use, and similar in appearance to when the area was first settled. A single old apple tree is located near the road in front of the dwelling, the last remnant of the orchard indicated on the 1877 map of Albion Township. This property is physically, functionally, visually, and historically linked to its surroundings as the long standing location of a dwelling and outbuildings on the farm acreage owned by the Spence/Irwin family from 1826 to 1931. The longevity of the one family ownership of the property, the consistency in visual appearance, and its visibility from the road, classify the site as a landmark.

### **Description of Heritage Attributes**

The heritage attributes of this property are the c.1840 Neo-Classical style dwelling with architectural elements in original, restored, and/or replicated condition; the late 19<sup>th</sup>/early 20<sup>th</sup> century barn; and the 20<sup>th</sup> century small barn.



### **Dwelling**

For the reasons given in the Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest, the dwelling supports the historical or associative, design or physical, and contextual values of this property. Its principal exterior and original characteristics are as follows:

- Orientation of the dwelling to the east compass point
- Rectangular form of the main dwelling, not including non-original additions
- 1.5 storey massing
- Heavy squared timber frame with mortise and tenon joinery and exterior stud walls
- Type of medium pitched gable roof with returned eaves on the end gables (existing is replicated)
- 3-bay façade of the east façade (front) with a wide, centre door opening flanked by a window opening on each side
- Glazed transom over the centre door
- Original window openings in the existing locations

### **Barn**

For the reasons given in the Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest, the barn supports the historical or associative, design or physical, and contextual values of this property. Its principal characteristics are as follows:

- Rectangular form
- 2 storey massing
- Medium pitched gable roof
- Timber frame with mortise and tenon joinery and milled timbers
- Vertical board and batten/ board exterior walls
- All window and door openings related to its function as a barn
- Original granular concrete foundation walls
- Setting in a natural slope rising to the north
- Original builder's hardware (hinges, locks, etc.)
- North access at grade

### **Small Barn**

For the reasons given in the Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest, the 20<sup>th</sup> century small barn supports the historical or associative, design or physical, and contextual values of this property. Its principal characteristics are as follows:

- Long, rectangular form
- Single storey massing
- Medium pitched gable roof
- Vertical board exterior walls
- Light timber framing
- Original builder's hardware (hinges, locks, etc.)
- All window and door openings related to its function as a small barn

## **SCHEDULE “B” to BY-LAW 2021-93**

### Legal Description

PIN: 14345-0274 (LT) – Part Lot 31, Concession 2 (Albion), designated as Parts 1, 2 & 3 on Plan 43R-32891; Subject-to AL15769; Town of Caledon; Regional Municipality of Peel

## **SCHEDULE "C" to BY-LAW 2021-93**

### Description of Property and Location

The property at 18030 Centreville Creek Road is a 96.6941 acre parcel of land within the east half of Lot 31, Concession 2, Albion Township, now described as Parts 1, 2, and 3 on Plan 43R-32891, Town of Caledon. It is on the west side of Centreville Creek Road, north of Finnerty Side Road. This is a rural area with sections of forest and agricultural cultivation.

The buildings are within the southeast quadrant of the lot, near the northwest corner of Centreville Creek Road and Finnerty Side Road. There is a c.1840, 1.5 storey, heavy timber frame dwelling that was restored/replicated between 2001 and 2008. The front façade of the dwelling is not parallel to Centreville Creek Road but angled east in orientation to the cardinal points of the compass. Other examples of this orientation in Albion Township exist among Irish settlers. The current laneway leads west from Centreville Creek Road to a late 19<sup>th</sup>/early 20<sup>th</sup> century, gable roofed barn and a 20<sup>th</sup> century small barn (Figures 2 and 3). Before reaching the barn, a branch of the laneway diverts south toward the west side of the dwelling. In 2003 it was surmised that "an abandoned gate flanked by a tree stump is likely the original driveway entrance." The current owner of the property has no knowledge of this earlier laneway location.

Properties

PIN

14345 - 0274    LT

Description

PT LT 31, CONC 2(ALB) DES PTS 1,2 & 3, 43R32891 ; S/T AL15769; TOWN OF CALEDON

Address

CALEDON

Applicant(s)

This Order/By-law affects the selected PINs.

Name

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF CALEDON

Address for Service

6311 Old Church Road  
Caledon, ON L7C 1J6

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Statements

This application is based on the Municipality By-law See Schedules.

Signed By

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Applicant(s)

Signed

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I have the authority to sign and register the document on behalf of the Applicant(s).

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