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August 31, 2023

Re: Notice of Intent to Designate 12 Ontario Street pursuant to Part IV, Section 29 of the *Ontario Heritage Act*.

INTENT TO DESIGNATE UNDER THE *ONTARIO HERITAGE ACT*

Please take notice that the Council of the Corporation of the City of Vaughan intends to designate for reasons of cultural heritage value or interest, pursuant to Part IV, Section 29 of the *Ontario Heritage Act* the property municipally described as **12 Ontario Street** in the City of Vaughan, in the Province of Ontario.

REASONS FOR PROPOSED DESIGNATION

12 Ontario Street was first identified as a potential heritage property in 2005 during the Maple Heritage Conservation District Study. The evaluation of property confirmed that the primary structure was built circa 1867 and is one of the oldest surviving cultural heritage properties. However, in establishing the Maple Heritage Conservation District in 2007, the decision was made by staff and Council to limit the boundary of the HCD along the Major Mackenzie Drive properties on the north side. Further research on the subject property has confirmed that the cultural heritage value of 12 Ontario Street meets the criteria set out under OHA Regulation 9/06 for physical, associative, and contextual cultural heritage value.

12 Ontario Street presents physical heritage value as one of the oldest surviving heritage homes of the historic village of Maple. Although the property is located outside of the Maple Heritage Conservation District, it is part of Maple's oldest subdivision, created in 1853. It is also the only surviving example of a wood frame Ontario Gothic cottage in Maple.

12 Ontario Street has historical association as the home of at least 3 Maple families who had a significant impact in Maple and its history in the 19th and 20th century. It was home to the James Woods family, an early settler family and a founding family of Maple. It was also home to Thomas Cousins and his wife Elizabeth and their son Wilbert. From 1920 to 1960 it was the home of Ethel and Harry Chapman, known as the last blacksmith of Maple and a trustee of the village of Maple.

12 Ontario Street house and lot are significant in establishing and maintaining the cultural heritage streetscape and the history of the pre-20th century history of Maple Village. The property holds contextual value as it is a longstanding feature of the corner of Railway Street and Ontario Street and was one of the first houses built in Maple's first subdivision of Maple Sideroad (now known as Major Mackenzie Drive West). It establishes and maintains the village character of Maple.

FILING A NOTICE OF OBJECTION

ANY PERSON MAY, within thirty (30) days of the first publication of this Notice, send by registered mail or deliver to the Clerk of the Corporation of the City of Vaughan, a notice of objection to the proposed designation together with a statement of the reasons for the objection and all relevant facts.

Notice of Objections can be served at the following address:
City of Vaughan, City Clerk's Office,
2141 Major Mackenzie Drive
Vaughan, ON L6A 1T1

Additional information, including a full description of the reasons for designation and minutes of the Heritage Vaughan presentation meeting are available online, or upon request from the Cultural Heritage Division at CulturalHeritage@vaughan.ca.

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