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**NOTICE OF INTENT TO DESIGNATE UNDER THE
ONTARIO HERITAGE ACT**

Re: Notice of Intent to Designate 7303 Islington Avenue 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 known as **7303 Islington Avenue** in the City of Vaughan, in the Province of Ontario.

REASONS FOR PROPOSED DESIGNATION

7303 Islington Avenue is a pre-Confederation, 2-storey Georgian style house known as the James Hardie House. Built between 1850-1860 it retains a symmetrical style that easily identifies the Georgian architectural style. Noted modest decorative details of its construction include brick with wood clapboard siding, and return eaves on the north and south roof gables. A porch with a bell-cast roof extends the width of the front the house: the porch previously incorporated decorative treillage (trelliswork) posts.

7303 Islington is associated with the Hardie (Hardy) Family, who were early settlers in Vaughan. Although there may not be extensive material about Hardie's family contribution to Vaughan's development, previous research has established that James Hardie Sr. built a sawmill on part of the Humber River that ran through the property. This helps to give insight to the efforts that James Hardie Senior made to contributing to an industry that would benefit the community. As a result it allows for an understanding about the lifestyle and hard work of early settlers in Vaughan, and the steps they took into establishing a life in a new location.

The subject property located at 7303 Islington holds contextual value through building's historical link and physical location on the property. Located on a hill, on the east side of Islington Avenue and north of the Highway 407, the property historically represents a way of life during the time-period it was built. The *CHER* also comments that the property is one of few remaining rural residential and agricultural examples along the section of Islington Avenue.

A copy of this Notice of Intent to Designate may be found on the City of Vaughan's Heritage Notice webpage: [Heritage Notices | City of Vaughan](#)

A full statement of the Cultural Heritage Value of this property may be obtained through linking to the original [Heritage Vaughan](#) report dated, March 27, 2024. You may also find the full report by visiting [Vaughan.ca](#) and searching for the meeting minutes.

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, on or before 4:30 p.m. **August 29, 2024** to be sent by registered mail or dropped off in person to:

Office of the City Clerk, City of Vaughan
2141 Major Mackenzie Drive West
Vaughan, ON L6A 1T1

Objections can also be submitted via email at: clerks@vaughan.ca If a notice of objection is received, the Clerk will refer the matter to the City of Vaughan Council for reconsideration.

Dated at Vaughan this **30th day of July, 2024**

Todd Coles, City Clerk

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