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

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IN THE MATTER OF THE ONTARIO HERITAGE ACT AND IN THE MATTER OF the lands in the Town of Halton Hills known municipally as 15 Mountain Street, legally described as "LT 39, RCP 1556; HALTON HILLS", Regional Municipality of Halton, and known as the Frances Williams House.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Town of Halton Hills intends to designate the property at 15 Mountain Street under Section 29(1), Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter O.18.

Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest:

The property at 15 Mountain Street in Glen Williams is a representative example of mid-nineteenth century Georgian residential architecture. Key features characteristic of this style that are extant include the symmetrical front elevation, gable roof, graduated fenestration, Classical detailing, and dual chimneys at either end of the roof. The structure's brick construction is laid in a common bond pattern, and it features a raised stone foundation typical of residences in this style. Despite modifications over time, the building retains the defining elements of the Georgian style, illustrating the architectural preferences of the pre-Confederation era in Ontario.

The late 19th century addition to the rear is legible from the original Georgian building yet is compatible in terms of materials, detailing, and form. The addition, with its board and batten upper floor and stucco-covered ground-floor porch, reflects the architectural evolution of the property while maintaining visual continuity with the original structure.

The property at 15 Mountain Street in Glen Williams is directly associated with the early European settlement of the area, and is associated in particular with the Williams family, a prominent pioneering family in the development of Glen Williams. Acquired by Benajah Williams in 1825, the property was part of the land where he established the village of Williamsburg (later Glen Williams) and developed vital milling industries that contributed to the community's growth. The existing Georgian home was constructed in 1854 by Benajah's son Charles Williams as a residence for Frances Huestis Williams, the widow of Jacob Williams. The property has also been associated with the Reid family, including Dugald Reid, a prominent Georgetown merchant, and his distant cousin William Henry Reid, a local stone mason. The Thompson family, who operated the Thompson & Wilson Beverage Company from the property, further contributed to the property's significance with its commercial use. These associations with key figures and families in the development of Glen Williams emphasize the property's significance to the community.

The property at 15 Mountain Street is physically, functionally, visually and historically linked to its surroundings in its original location on Mountain Street in the community of Glen Williams. The existing building is important in defining and maintaining the character of the area through its connection to other early Georgian residential dwellings in Glen Williams and to the Williams family, including the Williams-Holt House, Alexander House, original Glen Williams Schoolhouse, and the Williams House. The existing home is relative to the scale and setback of surrounding homes and has not been identified as a landmark.

The heritage attributes of the property at 15 Mountain Street are identified as follows:

- The setback, location, and orientation of the residential building along Mountain Street in Glen Williams;
- The scale, form, and massing of the c.1854 two-storey Georgian-style residential building, including its shallow-pitched gable roof and twin chimneys;
- The materials, including brick laid in a common bond pattern, with a raised stone foundation;
- The front (northwest) elevation, including:
 - The original entrance location centered within the symmetrical façade at the first storey;
 - Extant rectangular window openings, including graduated fenestration;
 - Limestone sills and lintels on all window openings;
- The side (northeast) elevation, including:
 - Simple gable end featuring symmetrically placed, evenly spaced rectangular window openings;
 - Limestone sills and lintels on all extant window openings;
 - Brick chimney rising above the roofline of the gable end;
- The side (southwest) elevation, including:
 - Simple gable end featuring symmetrically placed, evenly spaced rectangular window openings;
 - Limestone sills and lintels on all extant window openings; and,
 - Brick chimney rising above the roofline of the gable end.

The rear elevation and interiors have not been identified as heritage attributes of the property at 15 Mountain Street.

Further information respecting the Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest and proposed designation of 15 Mountain Street (refer to Report PD-2024-084) is available by contacting Laura Loney, Manager of Heritage Planning for the Town of Halton Hills at 905-873-2600 x 2358 or by email at lloney@haltonhills.ca.



Any person may, by January 12, 2025 (within 30 days after the date of the publication of this notice) serve written notice of objection to the proposed designation with Laura Loney together with a statement for the objection and all relevant facts.

Dated at the Town of Halton Hills this 13th day of December 2024.

Laura Loney, Manager of Heritage Planning, Planning and Development, The Corporation of the Town of Halton Hills, 1 Halton Hills Drive, Halton Hills, ON L7G 5G2.

