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February 18, 2025

VIA REGULAR MAIL

Ontario Heritage Trust
10 Adelaide Street East
Toronto, ON M5C 1J3

To whom it may concern:

RE: Notice of Intention to Designate:

3778 County Road 88

3423 County Road 88

1641 County Road 27

4381 Line 10

4029 Line 6

Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury

On November 18, 2024 and February 4, 2025, the Council of the Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury resolved to give notice of intent to designate the following properties under Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990 c. O.18, as they are of of cultural heritage value and interest.

Armson Wood House (c.1845) 3778 County Road 88 Part of Lot 5, Concession 7, West Gwillimbury; being Part 1 on Plan 51R-35148
Goodfellow-Williams House (c.1865) 3423 County Road 88 Part of Lots 7 and 8, Concession 6, West Gwillimbury; being Part 3 on Plan 51R-25981
Hughes House (c.1850) 1641 County Road 27 North Part of Lots 1 and 2, Concession 2, West Gwillimbury; being Part 1 to 3 on Plan 51R-2168
Merrick House (c.1880) 4381 Line 10 North Part of Lot 24, Concession 10
West-Howard House (c.1845) 4029 Line 6 Part of Lot 3, Concession 5, West Gwillimbury; being Parts 1 and 2 on Plan 51R-14106

The purpose of this letter, as prescribed in Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act is to give Notice of Intent to Designate to the Ontario Heritage Trust. Additionally, Notice of Intent to Designate has been mailed to the owners and has been included in the February 20, 2025 webpage of Bradford Today and posted to the Town's Website. .

Please see the attached 'Notice of Intention to Designate' which includes the required description of property, statement of cultural heritage value and description of heritage attributes.

We trust the above is satisfactory. Should you have any questions or require further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours truly,



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Attachment 1: Notice of Intention to Designate

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO DESIGNATE
PURSUANT TO SECTION 29 OF THE
ONTARIO HERITAGE ACT, R.S.O. 1990 c. O.18, AS AMENDED

TAKE NOTICE that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury, resolved to give notice of intent to designate the following properties, under Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990 c. O.18, as the following properties are of cultural heritage value and interest:

Armson Wood House (c.1845)

3778 County Road 88

Part of Lot 5, Concession 7, West Gwillimbury; being Part 1 on Plan 51R-35148
Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury

(Notice previously given on November 18, 2024)

Goodfellow-Williams House (c.1865)

3423 County Road 88

Part of Lots 7 and 8, Concession 6, West Gwillimbury; being Part 3 on Plan 51R-25981
Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury

(Notice previously given on November 18, 2024)

Hughes House (c.1850)

1641 County Road 27

North Part of Lots 1 and 2, Concession 2, West Gwillimbury; being Part 1 to 3 on
Plan 51R-2168

Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury

(Notice previously given on November 18, 2024)

Merrick House (c.1860)

4381 Line 10

North Part of Lot 24, Concession 10

Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury

West-Howard House (c.1845)

4029 Line 6

Part of Lot 3, Concession 5, West Gwillimbury; being Parts 1 and 2 on Plan 51R-14106

Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury

(Notice previously given on November 18, 2024)

To view the Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest for the above noted properties please see: www.townofbwg.com/heritageplanning

Additional Information

Any questions regarding this notice should be directed to the Office of Community Planning, (905) 778-2055, ext. 1403 or email at tdysart@townofbwg.com.

Right to Object

Any person, whether representing an organization or private interest(s), may object to the proposed designation. Objections of the Notice of Intention to Designate the property may be served on the Town Clerk in writing by mail or email using the contact information below.

Notice of objection must be received with thirty (30) days of the Notice and must set out the reasons for the objection and be supported by the relevant facts.

By Mail

Tara Reynolds, Clerk
100 Dissette Street, Units 7 & 8,
P.O. Box 100
Bradford ON L3Z 2A7

By Email

treynolds@townofbwg.com

Dated at the Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury this 20th day of February, 2025

Armson-Wood House c. 1845

The subject property has been researched and evaluated to determine its cultural heritage significance according to Ontario Regulation 9/06. This Regulation, defined in the *Ontario Heritage Act*, outlines several criteria for determining whether a property is of cultural heritage value or interest. For a property to be designated under section 29 of the *Ontario Heritage Act*, it must meet two or more of these criteria, which are outlined below. By using these criteria, staff can determine if the property's cultural heritage value or interest merits designation under the *Ontario Heritage Act*.

Description of Property

The property at 3778 County Road 88 is located on the north side of County Road 88 and is an active farming operation. The property contains a c.1845 Georgian two storey farmhouse. Due to its association with early settler families it is known as the Armson-Wood House.

Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest

Design/ Physical Value

The Armson-Wood house has design and physical value as representative example of a Georgian farmhouse. The house was built around 1845 and has elements of both these styles which includes: two design with a end gable roof featuring a five over five symmetrical façade. The home is also one of few main mud-block constructed homes in West Gwillimbury/ Simcoe County.

Historical/ Associative Value

The Armson-Wood House has historic/associative value for its direct association with the Armson and Woods family. Both families were early settlers in the Bradford/West Gwillimbury community. Both families were active farmers, which contributed to the growth and development of the Town. William Armson, the first owner of the subject property went on to be the longest-serving Warden of the County of Simcoe.

Contextual Value

The Armson-Wood House has contextual value because it defines and supports and maintains the character of the agrarian routes of the community.

Description of Heritage Attributes

Key heritage attributes of the Armson-Wood House that exemplify its heritage value as a Georgian farmhouse house as it relates to the two storey residential building include:

- *Gable End Roofs*
- *Five-over-Five Bay Façade*

- *Symmetrical Massing*
- *Shallow Roofs*
- *Mud Block Construction*
- *Expansive Front Lawn and Setback from County Road 88*