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March 7, 2025

Attn. Provincial Heritage Registrar  
Ontario Heritage Trust  
10 Adelaide Street East  
Toronto, ON M5C 1J3

**RECEIVED**  
2025/03/07  
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Ontario Heritage Trust

Re: Notification of Intent to Designate, through Passage of a By-law, 9296 Dublin Line, legally described as "PT LT 7, CON 1 ESQ, AS IN 290299, EXCEPT PART 1, 20R9517; T/W 255316; S/T DEBTS, IF ANY, IN 247076; HALTON HILLS/ESQUESING, Regional Municipality of Halton, and known as the McCallum Farmhouse, under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act.

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This letter is to advise you that the Notice of Intention to Designate for the above property under Part IV of the *Ontario Heritage Act* was served to the property owner(s), via email, on March 7, 2025.

The Notice of Intention to Designate 9296 Dublin Line will be posted on the various Town sites March 7, 2025. A copy of the attached proof for the notice was forwarded to the property owner(s) on March 7, 2025.

Sincerely,



Laura Loney  
Manager of Heritage Planning  
Planning and Development

# UNDER THE ONTARIO HERITAGE ACT

## Notice of Intention to Designate



MARCH 7, 2025

IN THE MATTER OF THE ONTARIO HERITAGE ACT  
 AND IN THE MATTER OF the lands in the Town of Halton Hills known municipally as 9296 Dublin Line, legally described as “PT LT 7, CON 1 ESQ, AS IN 290299, EXCEPT PART 1, 20R9517; T/W 255316; S/T DEBTS, IF ANY, IN 247076; HALTON HILLS/ESQUESING”, Regional Municipality of Halton, and known as the McCallum House.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Town of Halton Hills intends to designate the property at 9296 Dublin Line, 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 9296 Dublin Line has physical and design value as it retains a representative example of a stone Georgian farmhouse. The one-and-a-half storey pre-confederation farmhouse features a cut ashlar stone façade, rectangular form, and end-gable roof. The front façade features a five-bay primary elevation, with a central entrance flanked by shallow sidelights and a transom, surrounded by a stone sill and lintel. Throughout the exterior are flatheaded window openings with stone lintels and sills, with few remaining wood shutters. On all elevations, painted wooden dentil detailing can be found beneath the eaves. Two stone chimneys exist directly above the roofline on both side elevations.

The property at 9296 Dublin Line has historical and associative value due to its 185-year history and association with the McCallum Family. The existing pre-confederation c.1860s house was constructed by Duncan McCallum, who was a farmer and cabinet maker in Halton. Originally from Breadalbane, Perthshire, Scotland, Duncan immigrated to Halton in 1833. During his time in the community, Duncan was the on the committee overseeing the construction of Boston Presbyterian Church from 1866 to 1869 and was the superintendent during the building process. Duncan’s son, Finlay McCallum (1829–1908), and his wife, Catherine McDougall McCallum (1852–1930), inherited the subject property in 1883, where they farmed with their children until Finlay’s death in 1908. The property was subsequently transferred to their youngest son, Neil McCallum (1890–1965), in 1914. Neil continued to farm the subject property while undertaking various off-season roles, including working for Barnes Investigating Bureau from 1959 to 1963, at local factories in Milton, and as a gateman at Kelso Conservation Area. Neil was also an active member of the Boston Presbyterian Church and served as a Black Knight in the Milton Loyal Orange Lodge. In 1968, ownership of the subject property passed to Neil’s son, Finlay Alexander McCallum (1924–2012), and his wife, Nessie Elizabeth Rhoda McCallum (1929–2013), marking the fourth generation of McCallum ownership. They were succeeded by their children—Finlay, Janet (May), and Susan—who became the fifth generation of the McCallum family to own the property. Following the recent sale of the property, McCallum family ownership concluded after nearly two centuries.

# UNDER THE ONTARIO HERITAGE ACT

## Notice of Intention to Designate

The property at 9296 Dublin Line has contextual value as it serves to maintain and support the rural character of the surrounding area in the historic Scotch Block community in the Town of Halton Hills. The existing farmhouse, surrounded by agricultural fields since its settlement in the mid-nineteenth century, is physically, visually, and historically linked to its surroundings. The residence on the subject property shares several defining characteristics with other contemporary rural residences in the region, including scale, form, massing, materials, and architectural style.

Following research and evaluation according to Ontario Regulation 9/06, it has been determined that the property at 9296 Dublin Line has physical and design, historical and associative, and contextual value and therefore meets Ontario Regulation 9/06 criteria for determining cultural heritage value or interest.

The heritage attributes of the property at 9296 Dublin Line are identified as follows:

- The setback, location, and orientation of the existing c.1860s farmhouse along Dublin Line in the Town of Halton Hills;
- The scale, form, and massing of the one-and-a-half storey Georgian farmhouse with gable roof with wooden soffits and dentils, stone chimneys, and stone foundation;
- The materials, including cut ashlar stone construction, stone lintels and sills, wooden door surround with transom and sidelights, and wooden dentils and soffits along the roofline;
- On the front (southeast) elevation:
  - The central entrance with wooden transom window and sidelights, and stone lintel and sill;
  - Flatheaded window openings with stone sills and lintels;
- On the side (southwest) elevation:
  - Flatheaded window openings with stone sills and lintels; and,
- On the side (northeast) elevation:
  - Flatheaded window openings with stone sills and lintels.

The one-storey addition, rear elevation, and interiors have not been identified as attributes as part of this report.

Further information respecting the Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest and proposed designation of 9296 Dublin Line (refer to Report PD-2025-005) is available by contacting Caylee MacPherson, Planner – Development Review & Heritage, for the Town of Halton Hills at 905-873-2600 x 2978 or by email at [cmacpherson@haltonhills.ca](mailto:cmacpherson@haltonhills.ca)

Any person may, by **April 6, 2025** (within 30 days after the date of the publication of this notice) serve written notice of objection to the proposed designation to Caylee MacPherson together with a statement for the objection and all relevant facts.

Dated at the Town of Halton Hills this 7th day of March 2025.

Caylee MacPherson, Planner – Development Review & Heritage, Planning and Development, The Corporation of the Town of Halton Hills, 1 Halton Hills Drive, Halton Hills, ON L7G 5G2.