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**Subject: Heritage Designation
By-law 2025-024
Glendon House Stone Wall
235 Bronte Road, Oakville, Ontario**

Enclosed please find a copy of the Heritage Designation notice and a copy of By-law 2025-024 served upon you in accordance with Section 29(8) of the *Ontario Heritage Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c. 0.18, as amended.

Sincerely,

Francesca Piazza
Legislative Coordinator

Encls.

cc: V. Tytaneck, Town Clerk
D. Perlin, Assistant Town Solicitor
K. Biggar, Manager - Policy Planning and Heritage
C. Van Sligtenhorst, Supervisor - Heritage Conservation

HERITAGE DESIGNATION BY-LAW

On February 3, 2025, Oakville Town Council resolved to pass By-law 2025-024 to designate the following property under Section 29 of the *Ontario Heritage Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c. O.18, as amended, as a property of cultural heritage value and interest:

Glendon House Stone Wall

235 Bronte Road

PCL 87-1, SEC M6; PT LT 87, PL M6, PART 1, 20R11791; OAKVILLE

In accordance with Section 29(8) of the *Act*, any person who objects to the By-law may appeal to the Ontario Land Tribunal by forwarding to the Tribunal and the Town Clerk (at the Town of Oakville, Clerk's department, 1225 Trafalgar Road, Oakville, ON L6H 0H3 or at TownClerk@oakville.ca) within 30 days after the date of publication on the Town's website, a notice of appeal setting out the objection to the By-law and the reasons in support of the objection, accompanied by the fee charged by the Tribunal. A copy of the appeal form is available from the Ontario Land Tribunal website at <https://olt.gov.on.ca>. The last date to appeal this By-law is March 12, 2025.

Further information regarding this designation is available from the Town of Oakville. Any inquiries may be directed to Carolyn Van Sligtenhorst, Supervisor of Heritage Conservation at 905-845-6601, ext. 3875 (TTY 905-338-4200), or by email at carolyn.van@oakville.ca.

Issued at the Town of Oakville on February 10, 2025.



THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF OAKVILLE

BY-LAW NUMBER 2025-024

A by-law to designate the Glendon House Stone Wall at 235 Bronte Road as a property of cultural heritage value or interest.

WHEREAS pursuant to Section 29, Part IV of the *Ontario Heritage Act*, R.S.O. 1990, chapter O.18, the council of a municipality is authorized to enact by-laws to designate a real property, including all buildings and structures thereon, to be of cultural heritage value or interest;

WHEREAS the property described in Schedule A to this By-law (“the Property”) contains the cultural heritage resource known as the Glendon House Stone Wall;

WHEREAS the council of the Corporation of the Town of Oakville, by resolution passed on November 25, 2024, has caused to be served on the owner of the lands and premises at 235 Bronte Road, Oakville, ON and upon the Ontario Heritage Trust, notice of intention to designate the Glendon House Stone Wall at 235 Bronte Road as a property of cultural heritage value or interest, and further, has caused the notice of intention to be published on the town’s website in accordance with the town’s *Ontario Heritage Act* Alternative Notice Policy;

WHEREAS no objection to the proposed designation was served on the municipality by January 2, 2025, being the last date for filing an objection;

AND WHEREAS the Town Council has described the Property, set out the statement of cultural heritage value or interest for the Property, and described the heritage attributes of the Property in Schedule “B” to this By-law, which forms part of this By-law;

COUNCIL ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

1. That the real property legally described in Schedule “A” to this By-law, is hereby designated to be of cultural heritage value or interest under Section 29 of the *Ontario Heritage Act*.
2. That the attached Schedules form part of the By-law.
3. And that the Town Solicitor be authorized to cause a copy of this by-law to be registered against the property described in Schedule “A” at the Land Registry Office.

PASSED this 3rd day of February, 2025

MAYOR

CLERK

SCHEDULE "A" TO
BY-LAW 2025-024

In the Town of Oakville in the Regional Municipality of Halton, property description as follows:

Glendon House Stone Wall
235 Bronte Road
PCL 87-1, SEC M6; PT LT 87, PL M6, PART 1, 20R11791; OAKVILLE
PIN: 24758-0138

SCHEDULE “B” TO BY-LAW 2025-024

STATEMENT OF CULTURAL HERITAGE VALUE OR INTEREST

Description of Property

The subject property at 235 Bronte Road is located on the east side of Bronte Road, north of Hixon Street, and south of Rebecca Street. The property contains a historic stone wall that spans the three properties at 225, 231, and 235 Bronte Road.

Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest

Design and Physical Value

The Glendon House Stone Wall at 235 Bronte Road has design and physical value as a representative example of an Arts and Crafts era field stone wall. The goal of the residential Arts and Crafts movement was to portray the home as a place of serenity, with a focus on the home as part of the natural environment. Natural materials such as brick, stone, stucco and wood were used in new dwellings and associated landscape elements. The subject stone wall is reflective of this design era with its natural field stone material, likely found on the property. The stone wall was less a functional structure and more a decorative one, grounding the house on the site and adding a natural, rustic aesthetic that was typical of the Arts and Crafts era. While there is a number of lakestone walls in the area, the Glendon Stone Wall remains one of the only, if not the only, field stone wall in Oakville.

Historical and Associative Value

The Glendon House Stone Wall at 235 Bronte Road has cultural heritage value because of its direct associations with the theme of late 19th and early 20th century residential and cottage development in Bronte. The wall is a physical reminder of the influx of middle and upper-middle class residents to the area, many of whom came to escape overcrowded big-city living conditions, either permanently or as temporary summer residents. Once part of a larger five-acre property, the properties also have cultural heritage value because of their direct associations with small-scale farming activities, specifically fruit farming. Property owners took advantage of the area's rich soil to establish small to mid-sized orchards which supplied soft fruit to the big city markets of Hamilton and Toronto.

Contextual Value

The Glendon House Stone Wall at 235 Bronte Road has contextual value because it is physically, functionally, visually and historically linked to its surroundings along Bronte Road. Historically, the Bronte Road streetscape was defined by small to mid-sized homes on large lots, with moderate front yard setbacks. In the early years, many

were the homes of fruit farmers with small to mid-sized orchards. While infill has changed the historic rhythm of the street, a few of these historic homes remain, including 235 Bronte Road, which along with the stone wall at 225, 231, and 235 Bronte Road, serve as important reminders of Bronte's late 19th and early 20th century residential development.

Description of Heritage Attributes

Key attributes of the subject property at 235 Bronte Road, which exemplify its value for its early 20th century fieldstone wall, include the following:

- The low fieldstone wall and pillars that remain in their original pre-1995 location; and
- The design of the wall with curving slopes and square pillars, both topped by singular stones.