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Town of
East Gwillimbury

December 8, 2009

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

Dear Sir/Madam:

Re: NOTICE OF INTENTION TO DESIGNATE
18474 Yonge Street, Part Lot 102, Concession 1, W.Y.S.
Town of East Gwillimbury

REGISTERED MAIL



TAKE NOTICE that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of East Gwillimbury intends to designate the land and building known as 18474 Yonge Street, Part of Lot 102, Concession 1, WYS, as a property of cultural heritage value and interest under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990.

STATEMENT OF CULTURAL HERITAGE VALUE

The John & Esther Millard House's cultural heritage value lies in it being an excellent example of a nineteenth century farmhouse in this area. Built c 1869/70, and typical of this Ontario Gothic style, it features a three bay façade, steep pitched centre gable with intricate verge or gingerbread and symmetrical flanking windows. It features a well preserved bell curve front porch supported by decorative wooden work called treillage, very rare in this area. The 1 ½ storey dwelling is constructed of red brick with buff coloured raised brick accents. A well preserved, Regency inspired front porch with bell curve, represents one of the best examples of this type of architecture in East Gwillimbury.

The cultural value also lies with its builder John S. Millard and his wife Esther (nee Howard) who was the daughter of the original patent holder Stephen Howard Sr. John S. Millard was the son of one of the original Quaker settlers from Pennsylvania and was a "Reformer" by nature advocating for political change. A very successful and prominent farmer John Millard lived here until 1891.

DESCRIPTION OF HERITAGE ATTRIBUTES

Key exterior attributes that embody the heritage value of the Millard House are:

- 1 ½ storey main building with attached rear wing plan
- Red brick construction with buff coloured raised brick accents

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- Original round arched casement window in centre gable with circular accented piece above
- Decorative bargeboard and original soffit
- Original two panel front door with paneled sidelights and transom
- Original bell curve front porch with decorative Regency styled brackets and balustrades
- Twin flanking chimney stacks – double flu
- Six panel north rear entrance door
- Wooden shutters on most windows

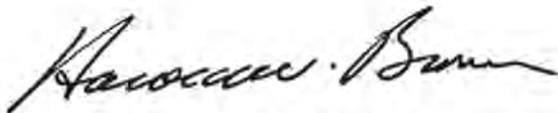
Key interior attributes that embody the heritage value of the Millard House are:

- working fireplace with mantle in parlour
- 10' ceilings on main floor
- decorative baseboard and window mouldings of both the 1870s & 1880s
- 4 panel doors with recessed mouldings
- pine tongue and groove flooring
- centre staircase with cherry balustrades, oak newell and pine steps

Notice of objection to the designation, setting out the reason for the objection and all relevant facts, may be served on the Clerk, Town of East Gwillimbury, 19000 Leslie Street, Sharon, Ontario L0G 1V0 no later than 4:30 p.m. on January 7th, 2010.

For further information regarding the proposed designation, please contact Carolyn Kellington, Manager of Community Planning and Development, Development and Legal Services Department at 905-478-4282.

Yours truly,



Harold Brown, Municipal Clerk,
Town of East Gwillimbury.