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TOWN OF AJAX

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January 27, 2010

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

Dear Madam or Sir:

Re: Notice of Intention to Designate - 244 Kingston Road, East, Ajax



Please find enclosed the Notice of Intention to designate the above-noted property.

This Notice will be advertised in the local newspaper and on the Town's website. It is the Town's intention to pass the necessary by-law to designate the site under the Ontario Heritage Act on March 29, 2010.

Sincerely,

M. de Rond, Clerk
Town of Ajax
Phone: 905-619-2529 ext. 3336
E-mail: martin.derond@townofajax.com

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Cc Stuart Craig, Assistant Vice President of Planning, RIOCAN Holdings Inc.
Heritage Ajax Advisory Committee

**NOTICE OF INTENTION TO DESIGNATE
ONTARIO HERITAGE ACT
244 KINGSTON ROAD, EAST, AJAX**

TAKE NOTICE that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Ajax intends to designate the property known as 244 Kingston Road, East, legal description Part Lot 6, Concession 2, PTS 1, 3, 5 & 7 40R-17497, except for Part 1, Plan 40R-19243, in the Town of Ajax, as a property of architectural and historical value or interest under Part IV of *The Ontario Heritage Act* (R.S.O. 1990, Ch. O. 18). A By-law to designate the property is scheduled to be before Ajax Town Council at its regular meeting to be held March 29, 2010.

Reasons for Designation:

Description

This is a two-storey stone structure, originally constructed as a farmhouse and subsequently converted to an office building after being relocated (within the same concession lot) to the east side of Salem Road north of Kingston Road.

Statement of Cultural Value or Interest

This building's cultural heritage value derives from its prominence as an outstanding example of a stone farmhouse dating back to the mid-19th century. The McKay House represents the only stone building to have been moved and rehabilitated for commercial use in the Town of Ajax, and is one of only a few in Ontario. Donald McKay, who settled in the area in the mid 1830's, built the house in 1854 using local fieldstone and Kingston limestone. The farm, which was called Charnacy after the village in Scotland where Donald McKay was born, was featured in the 1877 County of Ontario Atlas.

Description of Heritage Attributes

The key attributes exhibited by this building include:

- The superior craftsmanship of the stone work, particularly the front façade;
- The split cedar shake roof, which is not original but in keeping with the period of construction;
- The front porch and steps, which are not original but complement the architectural design of the building;
- Its prominent location adjacent to a major arterial road.

Additional information on the proposed designation is available at the Legislative and Information Services Department.

Any person may send by registered mail or deliver to the Clerk of the Town of Ajax notice of their objection to the proposed designation together with a statement of the reasons for the objection and all relevant facts. If such a Notice of Objection is received, the Council of the Town of Ajax will refer the matter to the Conservation Review Board for a hearing.

THE LAST DAY FOR FILING OBJECTIONS IS March 12, 2010

Dated at Ajax, Ontario, this 27th day of January, 2010.

M. de Rond, Clerk