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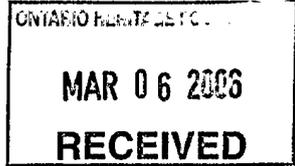
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# TOWN OF NEWMARKET

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March 1, 2006

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

Dear Sir/Madam:

**RE: Notice of Passing of By-law 2006-44  
588 Gorham Street**

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This is to advise you that the Corporation of the Town of Newmarket passed By-law 2006-44 being a By-law to Designate a Property as being of Architectural and Historical Value or Interest.

Enclosed for your information is a copy of the newspaper advertisement, which will be published on March 7, 2006 for the first time, and one subsequent week thereafter.

I also enclose a copy of By-law 2006-44 for your information.

If you have any questions pertaining to the above matter, please do not hesitate to contact this office.

Sincerely

Anita Moore  
Town Clerk

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Enclosures (2)

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**NOTICE OF PASSING OF A HERITAGE BY-LAW**

IN THE MATTER OF THE ONTARIO HERITAGE ACT, R.S.O. 1990, CHAPTER 18  
SECTION 29(6).

AND IN THE MATTER OF THE LANDS AND PREMISES LOCATED AT 588 GORHAM  
STREET, TOWN OF NEWMARKET

TAKE NOTICE that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Newmarket has passed By-law 2006-44 to designate the Mary Ann Wilkin House located at 588 Gorham Street as being of architectural and historical value or interest.

PUBLISHED A FIRST TIME THIS 7<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF MARCH 2006.

PUBLISHED A SECOND TIME THIS 14<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF MARCH 2006.

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**CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF NEWMARKET**

**BY-LAW NUMBER 2006-44**

A BY-LAW TO DESIGNATE A PROPERTY AS BEING OF ARCHITECTURAL AND HISTORICAL VALUE OR INTEREST.

(Mary Ann Wilkin House – 588 Gorham Street)

WHEREAS Section 29 of the *Ontario Heritage Act R.S.O. 1990* authorizes the Council of a municipality to enact by-laws to designate real property, including all buildings and structures thereon, to be of architectural or historic value or interest;

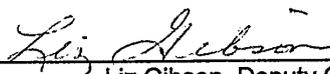
AND WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Newmarket has caused to be served on the owner of the lands and premises known as Lot 18 S/S Gorham Street, Pl 25, Town of Newmarket, Regional Municipality of York as confirmed by 65BA237, municipally known as 588 Gorham Street, and upon the Ontario Heritage Foundation, notice of intention to designate the aforesaid real property and has caused such notice of intention to be published in a newspaper having general circulation in the municipality for two consecutive weeks.

THEREFORE BE IT ENACTED by the Municipal Council of the Corporation of the Town of Newmarket as follows:

1. There is designated as being of architectural and historical value or interest the real property described in Schedule "A" attached, comprising the footprint of the building described in Schedule "B" attached.
2. The reasons for designation of Lot 18 S/S Gorham Street, Pl. 25, Town of Newmarket, Regional Municipality of York as confirmed by 65BA237; are described in Schedule "B" hereto.
3. The Municipal Solicitor is hereby authorized to cause a copy of this by-law to be registered against the property described in Schedule "A" hereto in the proper land registry office.
4. The Clerk is hereby authorized to cause a copy of this by-law to be served on the owner of the aforesaid property and on the Ontario Heritage Foundation and to cause notice of the passing of this by-law to be published in a newspaper having general circulation in the municipality for two consecutive weeks.

ENACTED THIS 27TH DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2006.

  
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Tom Taylor, Mayor

  
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Liz Gibson, Deputy Clerk

**SCHEDULE "A" TO BY-LAW 2006-44**

**LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

Lot 18 S/S Gorham Street Pl 25, Town of Newmarket, Regional Municipality of York as confirmed by 65BA237; municipally known as 588 Gorham Street.

**SCHEDULE "B" TO BY-LAW 2006-44**

**REASONS FOR PROPOSED DESIGNATION**

The property known as the Mary Ann Wilken House, 588 Gorham Street is recommended for designation for architectural and historical reasons.

The property was originally part of the land holdings of Eli Gorham who died in 1867. In April 1871 various lots and parcels of the land were put up for auction. The high bidder for some of the property, including Lots 16, 17 and 18 on the south side of Gorham Avenue, was John William Marsden Jr., a Miller from Yorkshire.

In May 1874, Marsden sold the three lots to Elizabeth A. Hunter, the wife of George Watson Hunter whose occupation is listed as a Carpenter. In March 1875, the Hunters sold Lot 18, the site of 588 Gorham, to Mary Ann Wilkin who is listed as a Widow. The plaque placed on the house, by a previous Heritage Newmarket Committee indicates that she was the first occupant and that the house was built circa. 1875. The property was transferred in 1911 for \$1.00 to Frances E. Foster who was likely Mary's daughter.

In December 1920, Frances sold the property to Charles H. Smith. Subsequently, the property had a number of owners, including some who used it as a rental property, until the current owners purchased it in 1982.

The house was built in the Gothic Revival style, which was very popular in various forms during 19th century Ontario. The north or main elevation of the storey-and-half house has a central entranceway. There are two main floor windows on either side of the entranceway and a central, steep gable or dormer which highlights a lancet or arched window on the upper floor. During its history, additions have been made to the house by its various owners.

A unique feature of the house is the stained glass window, which has been installed in the front, upper floor lancet window. The current owners purchased the window as part of a sale at the Christian Baptist Church on Main Street as a means of raising funds for a church renovation. The window is of the same time period as the house.