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Re: Designation under the Ontario Heritage Act  
210 Richmond Street, Richmond Hill  
The David Bridgeford House  
Our File No. D12.DA/BR

I am pleased to enclose a copy of By-law No. 206-94 designating the above mentioned property under the Ontario Heritage Act.

Should you have any questions concerning this, please telephone me at 905-771-8800, Extension 3008 or Janet Fayle at 905-737-7780.

Yours truly

*S. Harrison*

S. Harrison  
Assistant Clerk's Department

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attach.

cc: J. Fayle



**THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF RICHMOND HILL**

**BY-LAW NO. 206-94**

A By-law to Designate the Property Known  
Municipally as 210 Richmond Street, Richmond Hill, of  
Historical and Architectural Value or Interest  
(The David Bridgeford House)

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 to be of historic or architectural value or interest;

AND WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Richmond  
Hill has caused to be served on the owners of the lands and premises  
known as 210 Richmond Street, Richmond Hill, and upon the Ontario  
Heritage Foundation, Notice of Intention to so designate the aforesaid  
real property and has caused such Notice of Intention to be published in  
the same newspaper having general circulation in the Municipality once  
for each of three consecutive weeks;

AND WHEREAS the reasons for designation are set out in Schedule "A"  
attached hereto;

AND WHEREAS Council at its meeting of July 18/19, 1994 adopted the  
recommendation in Staff Report SRC.94.45 pertaining to the historical  
designation of the David Bridgeford House;

**NOW THEREFORE THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF  
THE TOWN OF RICHMOND HILL ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:**

1. That the real property located at 210 Richmond Street, in the Town  
of Richmond Hill, being part of Lot 44, Plan 12002, formerly part of  
Lot 45, Plan 481, is hereby designated under Part IV of the Ontario  
Heritage Act, R.S.O., 1990, as being of historic and architectural  
value or interest.
2. That 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 once for each of three consecutive  
weeks.
3. The Town Solicitor is hereby authorized to cause a copy of this  
By-law to be registered against the property in the Land Registry  
Office.
4. That the statements contained in Schedule "A" hereto are hereby  
declared to be the reasons for the aforesaid designation.
5. Schedule "A" attached hereto shall form part of this By-law.

READ A FIRST AND SECOND TIME THIS 19TH DAY OF JULY, 1994.

READ A THIRD TIME AND PASSED THIS 19TH DAY OF JULY, 1994.

"William F. Bell"  
Mayor

"R.J. Douglas"  
Clerk

SCHEDULE "A" TO BY-LAW NO. 206-94

210 Richmond Street is recommended for designation for historical and architectural reasons.

210 Richmond Street was built as the home of one of Richmond Hill's most colourful personages, Colonel David Bridgeford.

Bridgeford arrived in Richmond Hill in 1799, having travelled from New York with his widowed mother. In 1818, he purchased Lot 47, Concession 1 in the former Township of Vaughan, and built a two-storey log hotel near the corner of Yonge and Centre Streets. He fought with distinction in the War of 1812, and as a strong opponent of William Lyon MacKenzie, accompanied Colonel Robert Moodie on his fateful ride down Yonge Street on December 4, 1837.

David Bridgeford was one of the community's leading early citizens. During the 1850s he served on Vaughan Township Council variously as Councillor, Deputy Reeve and Reeve. He was a Justice of the Peace and Coroner, Issuer of Marriage Licenses and Master of the Masonic Lodge.

The brick rear section of this home is a remnant of the earliest stage of the house, constructed circa 1848. It probably served as the kitchen wing of a larger brick house. Significant exterior features include the common bond brick walls, 9-over-6 windows, and gable roof.

In 1861 the frame front section of the house was built on the foundation of an earlier structure. The date of construction is confirmed by a call to tender placed by David Bridgeford in the York Herald that year. The original foundation was raised about a foot and a half above its earlier level.

Architecturally, the later portion of the house now reflects the Classic Ontario style. The asymmetrical front is an alteration dating from circa 1906. Significant exterior features include the storey and a half height, centre gable, 2-over-2 windows, and glazed and panelled front door.