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IN THE MATTER OF THE ONTARIO HERITAGE ACT, RSO 1990, CHAPTER 0.18

AND IN THE MATTER OF THE LANDS AND PREMISES
IN THE TOWN OF RICHMOND HILL, IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO
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NOTICE OF INTENTION TO DESIGNATE

TO: Ontario Heritage Foundation
77 Bloor Street West
Toronto, ON
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TAKE NOTICE that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Richmond Hill intends to designate the following property, including lands and building, as a property of historic or architectural value or interest, under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act, RSO 1990, Chapter 0.18:

Municipal Address 1700 Elgin Mills Road East, Richmond Hill,

Legal Description: Part of Lot 26, Concession 3, Richmond Hill

Historical Reference: John Heise Double House

Reasons for the Proposed Designation:

The John Heise Double house is recommended for designation for historical and architectural reasons.

The 2 storey brick house was built circa 1872 by farmer John Heise, whose Pennsylvania-German ancestors came to Markham in 1804. It is a fine example of a Mennonite-Georgian double house, with separate dwelling units for the family and parents.

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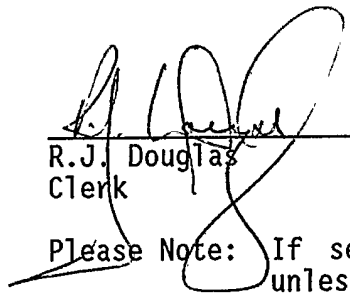


Significant exterior features include the solid white brick walls, gable roof, corbelled chimneys, entrance doors, 6/6 windows and east verandah. Significant interior features include the dividing wall between the units and the two separate staircases. Also of significance is the timber framed, board and batten summer kitchen/woodshed offset to the west rear of the main house.

A more detailed reasons for designation is attached for your review.

Any person who objects to the proposed designation shall, within thirty (30) days after the date of this notice serve on the Clerk of the Town of Richmond Hill, a notice of objection setting out the reason for the objection and all relevant facts. Service may be made by delivery personally to the Clerk or by registered mail. Where service is made by registered mail, the service shall be deemed to be made on the seventh day after the day of mailing unless the Clerk establishes that he did not, acting in good faith, through absence, accident illness or other cause beyond his control, receive the objection until a later date.

Notice of objection to the proposed designation, together with a statement of the reasons for the objection and all relevant facts may be served on the Clerk of the Town of Richmond Hill before the 13th day of November, 1992.



R.J. Douglas
Clerk

Please Note: If service is made by registered mail, it is not effective unless and until it is actually received by the Clerk and the responsibility for ensuring it is received within the prescribed time rests with the person filing the objection. If such a notice is actually received after the prescribed time, it will not be accepted by the Clerk as a valid objection.

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The John Heise Double House is recommended for designation for historical and architectural reasons.

The 2 storey brick house was built circa 1872 by farmer John Heise, whose Pennsylvania-German ancestors came to Markham in 1804. The Heise family were of the Tunker faith, closely related to the Mennonite tradition.

Lot 26, Concession 3 was purchased by Jacob Heise in 1805, and was willed to his son, Jacob, in 1832. In 1867, the east half of the property was sold to John Heise, and in 1869, the east half of was to John's brother Christian or Christopher, both sons of Jacob Jr.

At the south-west corner of John Heise's property was a school site, Markham S.S.#4, which appears on maps of 1853-4, 1855 and 1860. The school, established as early as 1838, does not appear on the York County Atlas map of 1878. It was relocated to Lot 25, Concession 3, to serve as a storage shed some time after it closed.

The Heise House is a fine example of a Mennonite-Georgian double house, having separate dwelling units for the family and parents. Although the building superficially appears to be of mid-19th century design, closer examination reveals late details such as the 4-panelled doors and late Victorian mouldings.

Significant exterior features include the solid white brick walls, gable roof, corbelled gable end chimneys, entrance doors with two glazed panels above and two solid panels below, 6/6 windows and east verandah with turned posts, railing with plain pickets and hip roof. Significant interior features include the dividing wall between the units and the two separate staircases.

Also of significance is the timer frame, board and batten-sided summer kitchen/woodshed offset to the west on the north elevation. Significant features of the summer kitchen/woodshed include the saltbox gable roof, board and batten siding, saltbox form, 6/6 windows and umbrage