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CULTURAL PROGRAMS HERITAGE UNIT

Re: Notice of Passing of By-law No. 8-96

The Council of the Corporation of the Town of Richmond Hill, at its meeting held on the 22nd day of January, 1996 passed the following resolution concerning 9940 Leslie Street, Richmond Hill:

"That Council receive Staff Report SRCSD.96.12 and enact By-law No. 8-96 to authorize the designation of the Jacob Horner House, 9940 Leslie Street, as a property of historical or architectural value or interest under the *Ontario Heritage Act*;..."

A copy of By-law No. 8-96 is attached for your reference.

Yours truly,

R.J. Douglas Clerk

/sjc attach.



THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF RICHMOND HILL

By-law No. 8-96

A By-law to Authorize the designation of 9940 Leslie Street, the Jacob Horner House, under the *Ontario Heritage Act*

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 9940 Leslie 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;

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

- 1. That the real property located at 9940 Leslie Street, being part of the road allowance between Lots 20 and 21, Concession 2, and part of Lot 20, Concession 2, EYS, Town of Richmond Hill, (geographic Township of Markham), in the Regional Municipality of York, more particularly described as part 2 on Reference Plan 65R-17524, is hereby designated under part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, as being of historic or 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. That 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 22ND DAY OF JANUARY, 1996.

READ A THIRD TIME AND PASSED THIS 22ND DAY OF JANUARY, 1996.

Mayor

Clerk

Schedule "A"

The Jacob Horner House is recommended for designation for historical and architectural reasons.

Daniel Horner I, a Pennsylvania-German immigrant, was an early tenant on Lot 20, Concession 2, Markham, originally a Crown reserve. In 1807, he purchased Lot 21, Concession 2, Markham to become the family homestead, but continued to lease Lot 20. In addition to farming, Daniel Horner I operated a blacksmith shop. During the Ward of 1812, he joined the local militia under Captain John Arnold and was stationed at Fort York.

Daniel Horner II, the son of Daniel Horner I, purchased Lot 20 from King's College in 1836. By 1860, he had moved to the homestead on Lot 21. Jacob Horner, a son of Daniel II, was listed on Lot 20 in a 1866 directory of Markham Township. The property has stayed in the Horner family's ownership to the present day.

The Jacob Horner House is the last remaining early dwelling on the west side of Leslie Street in the vicinity of the hamlet of Headford. It is a true vernacular building, exhibiting a traditional rural form while incorporating elements of the Classic Revival style. With its centre gable, a later addition, the dwelling has evolved into a Classic Ontario farmhouse.

The house has a T-shaped plan, an asymmetrical 3-bay front and a medium-pitched gable roof. A pantry infills part of the northern ell. The pediment-headed door and window frames, 6-over-6 and 2-over-2 double hung windows and flat-headed 2-over-2 front gable window are significant features, as is the front doorcase with its sidelights.