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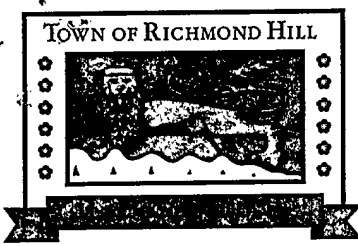


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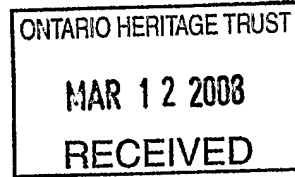
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Town of Richmond Hill

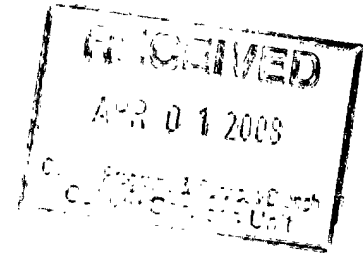


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IN THE MATTER OF THE *ONTARIO HERITAGE ACT*, R.S.O. 1990  
CHAPTER 0.18

AND IN THE MATTER OF THE LAND AND PREMISES  
IN THE TOWN OF RICHMOND HILL, IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO  
HEREINAFTER DESCRIBED

**NOTICE OF INTENTION TO DESIGNATE**

**TAKE NOTICE THAT** the Council of The Corporation of the Town of Richmond Hill intends to designate the following property, including land and building, as a property of cultural heritage value or interest under Part IV of the *Ontario Heritage Act*, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter 0.18. as a property of cultural heritage value or interest under Section 29, *Ontario Heritage Act*, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter 0.18.

**Property Description:** Part of Lot 22, Concession 3 E.Y.S., Part of Part 1  
on 65R-14168  
Former Township of Markham  
**Municipal Address:** 10251 Leslie Street, Richmond Hill  
**Town File No.:** D12-07263

The property contains a cluster of structures in the form of a farm complex that has cultural heritage value or interest to the Town of Richmond Hill.



### **Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest**

Associated with original Euro-Canadian agricultural settlement of Markham Township, the parcel of lands on which the Barker's House stands was first owned by the Henick family in the 1860's. The site has been continuously occupied for over 125 years and contains three built heritage features including a 2 ½-storey fieldstone farmhouse, a 1 ½-storey wood frame barn, and a one storey barn/drive shed.

The Barker's property has cultural heritage value because it has direct associations with the farming activity significant to the local community and the history of migration of the early settlers in the region. The cluster of structures is considered a rare cultural heritage landscape feature in Ontario farms. As a vernacular Ontario farm building with arts and crafts features, the farmhouse itself has architectural value as a late and unusual example of stone construction reviving heritage crafts of stone masonry. The continuous occupation of the site as a farmstead also serves as a visual reminder to the rural farming origins of the region.

### **Description of Heritage Attributes**

#### **The Farm Complex**

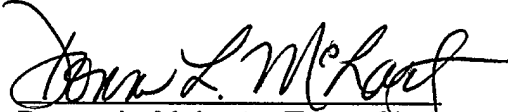
The property contains three built heritage features including a 2 ½-storey fieldstone farmhouse, a 1 ½-storey wood frame barn, and a one-storey barn/drive shed. This cluster of structures has been identified as part of a farm complex, considered a rare cultural heritage landscape feature in Ontario farms. This cluster of structures is considered as one cultural landscape unit.

#### **The Farm House**

This large farmhouse is a late and unusual example of stone construction reviving the heritage crafts of stone masonry. Distinguishing features include the south, west, east and north elevations of the building and include all two-over-two sash windows, stone voussoirs, stone piers supporting a verandah on the south side and a moderately pitched side gable roof, together with all original wall cladding material, and all component architectural features and detailing and stone chimneys.

**Notice of Objection**

Any person who objects to the proposed designation shall, within 30 days after the publication 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. The last day to appeal the proposed designation is **April 10, 2008**.



Donna L. McLarty, Town Clerk

DATED THIS 11<sup>th</sup> DAY OF MARCH, 2008

cc: A. Chetty, Legislative & Projects Advisor  
A. Bassios, Commissioner of Planning  
J. Leung, Manager of Urban Design  
M. Kovacevic, Assistant Town Solicitor