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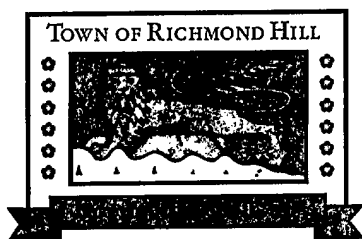


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## Town of Richmond Hill

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January 29, 2008

To: The Ontario Heritage Trust  
(formerly Ontario Heritage Foundation)  
10 Adelaide Street East  
Toronto ON M5C 1J3

**Re: Notice of the Passing of By-law Nos. 19-08 and 20-08**

The Council of the Corporation of the Town of Richmond Hill, at its meeting held on the 28<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2008, passed the following resolutions concerning the southwest Part of Lot 27, Concession 3, Markham Township (The John Hilts Stine House) and Part of Lot 28, Concession 3, Markham Township (The John McCague House):

"That By-law No. 19-08 being a by-law to designate 10961 Leslie Street, The John Hilts Stine House under the *Ontario Heritage Act*, be adopted; and

That By-law No. 20-08, being a by-law to designate 11121 Leslie Street, The John McCague House under the *Ontario Heritage Act*, be adopted."

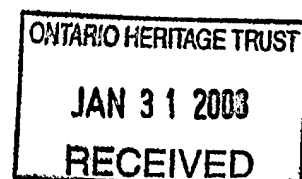
Copies of By-law Nos. 19-08 and 20-08 are attached. Copies of the two By-laws have been sent to the Land Registry office to be registered against the properties affected.

Yours truly

Sherry Harrison  
Legislative & Projects Advisor

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cc: J. Leung, Manager of Urban Design  
M. Krapez, Urban Design Planner  
D. McLarty, Town Clerk



THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF RICHMOND HILL

BY-LAW NO. 19-08

A By-law to Authorize the Designation of  
10961 Leslie Street  
The John Hilts Stine House under the  
*Ontario Heritage Act*

**WHEREAS** Section 29 of the *Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, c.0.18* authorizes the Council of a municipality to enact by-laws to designate real property to be of cultural heritage 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 know as 10961 Leslie Street, Richmond Hill, and upon the Ontario Heritage Trust, notice of intention to so designate the aforesaid real property and has caused such notice of intention to be published in a newspaper having general circulation in the municipality;

**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 10961 Leslie Street, being the Southwest Part of Lot 27, Concession 3, Markham Township, as in R664228, Town of Richmond Hill is hereby designated under Part IV of the *Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O 1990., Chapter 0.18*, as being of cultural heritage value or interest.
2. That the Clerk is hereby authorized to cause a copy of the by-law, together with a statement explaining the cultural heritage value or interest of the property and a description of the heritage attributes of the property to be served on the owner of the property and on the Trust, and publish a notice of the by-law in a newspaper having general circulation in the municipality.
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.

READ A FIRST AND SECOND TIME THIS 28TH DAY OF JANUARY, 2008

READ A THIRD TIME AND PASSED THIS 28TH DAY OF JANUARY, 2008.



Mayor

Dave Barrow  
Mayor



Town Clerk

## SCHEDULE 'A' TO BY-LAW NO. 19-08

### REASONS FOR DESIGNATION THE JOHN HILTS STINE HOUSE 10961 Leslie Street

#### **Description of Property**

The Hilts House is located on the east side of Leslie Street, North of Elgin Mills Road East and opposite Richmond Green park. This dwelling was the home of an early Pennsylvania-German family and is one of the only three nineteenth century stone houses ever built within the current boundaries of the Town of Richmond Hill.

American-born Johann Hiltz (or John Hilts) built this Georgian style fieldstone farmhouse circa 1840. Like many of the other settlers in this part of Markham Township, the Hiltz family was of the Tunker faith, whose followers are known for their superior ability at carpentry and building construction.

The farmhouse is of coursed rubble construction, with mortar joints tooled to create the impression of squared stone on the front elevation. The three-bay façade, covered by a screened hip roofed verandah features a side lighted door case and 6/6 windows. Simple red brick voussoirs decorate the openings. The roof has a medium pitch and wide returns eaves. Modern alterations including front and rear wall dormers and a separate stone and aluminium-sided wing joined to the original house by an enclosed passage, are sympathetic to the character of the historic house.

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

Few stone houses were built in this part of the region. The John Hilts House is one of the only three nineteenth century stone houses within the current boundaries of the Town of Richmond Hill. The other houses are the Henricks-Brodie House at 9481 Leslie Street and the Peter House at 1723 Elgin Mills Road East.

As a rare example of stone houses built in the area, this structure is representative of the style, scale, the use of local material and in particular, the quality of craftsmanship associated with the early Pennsylvania-German settlers in rural Markham/Richmond Hill in the mid nineteenth century. Instead of the traditional Germanic four-bay façade, the Hiltz farmhouse adopted a three-bay façade treated in the English Georgian style.

- 1) i) The property has design value as a rare and representative example of nineteenth century stone farm house in the area; it poses unique opportunities for interpretation of the heritage building type, function and the specific site;
- 2) i) It has historical or associative value because it has direct associations with the activity (farming) significant to the local community and the history of migration of the early Pennsylvania-German settlers in the region;  
  
ii) It has the potential to yield information that contributes to study the evolution of the building and site;
- 3) i) The property has contextual value because it is important in defining, maintaining or supporting the rural, agricultural character of the area in the face of impending development.

#### **Description of Heritage Attributes**

The south, west, east and north elevations of the building along with the hipped roof with dormer and gables; together with all original wall cladding materials (multicoloured coursed rubble stone with grey mortar joints and red brick) and all component architectural features and detailing including the flat window openings with brick voussoirs, brackets, double hung sashes windows, the original centre door with side lights and moulded trim and stone chimney.