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THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF MARKHAM BY-LAW NUMBER 2-91

A by-law to designate a certain property as being of Historic and/or Architectural value or interest

WHEREAS Section 29, Subsection 6 of the Ontario Heritage Act, Chapter 337, R.S.O. 1980 authorizes the Council of a municipality to enact by-laws to designate a real property, including all the buildings and structures thereon, to be of historic and/or architectural value or interest;

AND WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Markham has caused to be served on the owners of the lands and premises at:

6 David Gohn Circle Markham, Ontario L6E 1A7

and upon the Ontario Heritage Foundation, notice of intention to designate the David Gohn House, 6 David Gohn Circle, Markham, being Lot 16, R. P. 65M-2761, and has caused such notice of intention to be published in a newspaper having a general circulation in the municipality once for each of three consecutive weeks;

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AND WHEREAS the reasons for designation are set out in Schedule 'A', attached hereto and forming part of this by-law;

NOW THEREFORE THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF MARKHAM HEREBY ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

- THAT the following real property, being The David 1, Gohn House, municipally known as 6 David Gohn Circle, further described as Lot 16, Plan 65M-2761 is hereby designated as being of historic and/or architectural value or interest;
- THAT the Town Solicitor is hereby authorized to 2. cause a copy of this by-law to be registered against the property described herein in the Land Registry Office.

READ A FIRST AND SECOND TIME THIS 15TH DAY OF JANUARY, 1991. READ A THIRD AND FINAL TIME THIS 15TH DAY OF JANUARY, 1991.

CHRISTINE PALMER, DEPUTY CLERK A

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I HEREBY CERTIFY THE FOREGOING TO BE ATRUE COPY

Deputy MUNICIPAL CLERK Christine Palmer, A.M.C.T.

THE DAVID GOHN HOUSE

David Gohn was 25 years old when he came to Markham in 1811 from his native Pennsylvania. He travelled to Upper Canada by horse in order to settle the Estate of his deceased brother, Adam Gohn Jr., who had emigrated to Markham only one year before.

David Gohn was still in Markham when the War of 1812 broke out between the Americans and the British. David took part in the War as a private in the British Army and, as a result, he was not permitted to return to Pennsylvania when the War ended in 1814.

David Gohn settled on Lot 9, Concession 3, in Markham Township, married Lucy Hederick in 1816 and raised a family of nine children. His grandson, C. Wesley Gohn, was a well-known personality in the Town of Markham and was the Reeve and Deputy Reeve of the Township from 1922-1932.

The David Gohn House, constructed circa 1855, is an excellent example of an Ontario Farmhouse with Regency and Pennsylvania German influences.

This handsome red brick structure has buff brick quoining, voussoirs and a decorative brick course along the principal facade. The house also features a matching pair of inset red brick chimneys, uniquely quoined with buff brick and decoratively corbelled in the top five courses. The open verandah has been restored to reflect the original with turned posts, decorative vergeboard and brackets.