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September 17, 2021

VIA REGULAR MAIL

Ontario Heritage Trust
10 Adelaide Street East
Toronto, ON M5C 1J3

Attention: Erin Semande

Dear Ms. Semande:

**RE: Notice of Intention to Designate:
Wood House
Part of Lot 14, Concession 7; West Gwillimbury, municipally known as
2659 Line 8
Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury**

On June 15, 2021, the Council of Bradford West Gwillimbury resolved to give notice of intent to designate 2659 Line 8, under Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990 c. O.18, as it is of cultural heritage value and interest.

The purpose of this letter, as prescribed in Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act is to give Notice of Intent to Designate to the Ontario Heritage Trust. Additionally, Notice of Intent to Designate has been mailed to the owners and will be included in the September 9, 2021 edition of the Bradford West Gwillimbury Topic.

Please see the attached 'Notice of Intention to Designate' which includes the required description of property, statement of cultural heritage value and description of heritage attributes.

We trust the above is satisfactory. Should you have any questions or require further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours truly,

Brandon Slopach
Senior Planner

Attachment 1: Notice of Intention to Designate

**NOTICE OF INTENTION TO DESIGNATE PURSUANT TO SECTION 29 OF THE ONTARIO HERITAGE ACT,
R.S.O. 1990 c. O.18, AS AMENDED**

Wood House (circa 1865-1870)
Part of Lot 14, Concession 7, West Gwillimbury
municipally known as 2659 Line 8
Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury

TAKE NOTICE that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury, on June 15, 2021, resolved to give notice of intent to designate 2659 Line 8, under Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990 c. O.18, as it is of cultural heritage value and interest.

2659 Line 8 has design or physical value as a representative example of a two-storey Ontario Cottage built in the Victorian Period. The farmhouse is believed to have been constructed circa 1865-1870. The two-storey, three-bay farmhouse features common bond and Flemish bond red brick. The farmhouse has a gable end roof with return eaves, brick constructed end chimneys, and a central gable peak. The central gable peak features decorative woodwork and a pendant finial and half moon window with brick voussoirs is located within peak. The gable roof with return eaves, large frieze with wooden brackets which run along the façade and under the return eaves showcase the personal detailing which can be applied to an Ontario Cottage design. Symmetrically placed rectangular window openings with brick voussoirs rhythmically adorn the façade and side elevations. The façade features a centrally placed doorway with brick voussoir. The façade windows appear to include the original six-over-six sash wooden windows. The open verandah, which spans the façade, highlights the Victorian architectural influence. The decorative and elaborate verandah features bi-colour painted decorative wood brackets and cut out spandrels post face brackets. It is supported by wooden post with a hipped roof. The porch is believed to have been added circa 1890.

Cultural Heritage Attributes

The home has significant architectural value, and is an excellent example of an Ontario Cottage farmhouse built in the Victorian Period. The exterior maintains almost all of its original details:

- Two storey brick Ontario Cottage built in the Victorian Period.
 - L-shaped plan;
 - Symmetrical three-bay façade with centrally placed entry;
 - Two-bay side elevations with side gable roof and return eaves;
 - Single stacked interior brick chimneys at the gable ends;
 - Central gable peak with decorative woodwork and pendent finial;
 - Wide frieze with wooden brackets along façade and under return eaves of side elevations;
 - Rectangular window openings with brick voussoirs;
 - Original six-over-six sashed wooden windows;
 - The open verandah with hipped roof and wooden post supports; and
 - The decorative verandah features including the bi-colour painted decorative wood brackets and cut out spandrels post face brackets.

The Wood House *contributes to its context* as it is local landmark within the Bradford community. Further it's historic and associative value as a local farm family contributed to the history and development of West Gwillimbury, and therefor the Town Bradford West Gwillimbury

Any objection to this designation must be filed in writing within 30 days of the date of publication of the notice of intention, being no later than October 9, 2021.

Objections should be directed to:

Rebecca Murphy, Director of Corporate Services/Town Solicitor/Clerk
100 Dissette Street, Units 7 & 8,
P.O. Box 100
Bradford ON L3Z 2A7

Requests for additional information regarding the property and the designation process
may be directed to:

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