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January 19, 2012

Jim Leonard Registrar, Ontario Heritage Trust Heritage Programs and Operation 10 Adelaide Street East Toronto, ON M5C 1J3

Dear Jim Leonard,

Re: Notice of Intention to Designate a Property, Ontario Heritage Act

The Council of the Town of Markham intends to designate the following property for reasons of cultural heritage value or interest pursuant to the *Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990*, Chapter O.18, Part IV:

John B. Miller House 7134 Major Mackenzie Dr. E James Brison Johnson House 10295 Ninth Line John Boyles House 11190 York Durham Line Richard Tarr House 7368 Elgin Mills Road E David Burke House 10531 Reesor Road Wellington Wideman House 11201 Reesor Road James Collins House 11223 Reesor Road Noble Tenant Farmer's House 11122 Reesor Road Adam Betz House 10676 Reesor Road

Notice of objections will be received on or before 4:30 p.m. on Tuesday, February 21, 2012 at the following address:

Clerk's Department, Town of Markham Attention: Judy Carroll 101 Town Centre Boulevard Markham, ON L3R 9W3 Fax. 905-905-479-7771 A statement of significance/reasons for the designation is attached.

Yours truly

Kimberley Kitteringham Town Clerk

For Heritage Designation By-Law for 11190 York-Durham Line

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

John Boyles House

East Part Lot 28, Concession 10 11190 York-Durham Line c.1870

The John Boyles House is recommended for designation under Part IV of the <u>Ontario Heritage</u> <u>Act</u> as a property of cultural heritage value or interest, as described in the following Statement of Significance.

Description of Property

The John Boyles House is a one and a half storey frame dwelling located on the west side of the York-Durham Line, approximately half way between Elgin Mills Road East and Nineteenth Avenue. The house faces east, and is sited close to the road.

Design or Physical Value

The John Boyles House is a good example of a frame, centre-gabled, Classic Ontario farmhouse. It is noteworthy due to the presence of canted bay windows on the north and south gable ends. Originally the door and window openings on the ground floor were segmentally-headed, which was typical for the period of construction. A portion of the one-storey rear wing may be the original kitchen tail.

Historical or Associative Value

The John Boyles House has historical value for its association with John Boyles, an American immigrant of German origin, who purchased the property in 1839. During the mid-19th century there were a number of frame houses on the property. John Boyles was a labourer, sawyer, and later, a farmer. He lived on another lot in the area until the early 1870s, when his son, Leonard Boyles took over the family farm. After that, John Boyles moved to this property and constructed a new house for his retirement.

Contextual Value

The house at 11190 York-Durham Line remains in a rural setting, and is a significant remnant of the agricultural community surrounding the historic crossroads hamlet of Mongolia, originally known as California Corners.

Significant Architectural Attributes

Exterior character-defining attributes that embody the cultural heritage value of the John Boyles House include:

- Overall form of the building, including its one and a half storey height, L-shaped plan
 incorporating a one storey rear wing, and the volume of the structure;
- Frame wall construction with the original finish concealed beneath later claddings;
- Steeply-pitched gable roof with overhanging eaves and steep front gable;
- Simple front door opening;
- Segmentally-headed windows openings on the ground floor, which may have originally contained wood, 2 over 2 sash windows based on the style of the house and its period of construction;
- Flat-headed window openings on the second floor, which may have originally contained wood, 1 over 1 sash windows based on the style of the house and its period of construction.
- Canted bay windows on the north and south gable ends.