NOTICE Intention to Designate a Property / Ontario Heritage Act

The Council of the City 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:

Arthur and Sarah Spofford House 11520 Kennedy Road Markham, ON

The Arthur and Sarah Spofford House has design and physical value as a locally rare example of a late nineteenth century Gothic Revival farmhouse with a cruciform plan. Its picturesque roofline with multiple gables ornamented with curvilinear bargeboards, and its prominent, two-storey canted bay windows with iron cresting make it a locally excellent example of its architectural style. The Arthur and Sarah Spofford House has historical and associative value, representing the locally-significant theme of immigration, particularly the significant wave of British families who arrived in Markham Township from 1830 onwards. Further, the property has contextual value as it is physically, visually, and functionally linked to its surroundings where it has stood since c.1880. The property is also historically linked to its surroundings where it helps make legible the agricultural character of the former Markham Township.

Any person may notify the City of Markham of their objection in writing, which shall include the reasons for their objection and all relevant facts, **on or before 4:30 p.m. December 21, 2023** to be sent by registered mail or dropped off in person to:

Clerk's Department, City of Markham Attention: Alecia Henningham 101 Town Centre Boulevard Markham, ON L3R 9W3

Objections can also be submitted via email at: clerkspublic@markham.ca

If a notice of objection is received, the Clerk will refer the matter to Markham Council for reconsideration. Further information regarding the proposed designation is available from the Clerk's Department.

Dated at Markham this 21st day of November, 2023 Kimberley Kitteringham, City Clerk