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:

Gormley-Wideman House 3490 Nineteenth Avenue Markham. ON

The Gormley-Wideman House has design and physical value as a good representative example of a midnineteenth century brick farmhouse designed with the influences of the Georgian and the Classic Revival architectural styles. The Gormley-Wideman House has historical value for its association with the early cultural and religious diversity of Markham Township as well as the theme of innovation and economic development as the former home of Irish immigrant James Gormley, storekeeper, postmaster, auctioneer, notary public, and farmer who was locally important as the founder of the crossroads hamlet of Gormley's Corners. This associative value, namely religious diversity, is reinforced by the property's connection to several generations of the Pennsylvania-German Mennonite Wideman family. Further, the property has contextual value because it is physically, functionally, visually and historically linked to its surrounding as one of several nineteenth century farmhouses located within the agricultural area to the west of the historic mill hamlet of Almira. The Gormley-Wideman House is physically, functionally, visually and historically linked to the site where it has stood since 1859.

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. January 13, 2025** to be sent by registered mail or dropped off in person to:

Clerk's Department, City of Markham 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 12th day of December, 2024 Kimberley Kitteringham, City Clerk