Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest

Thomas S. Graham House c. 1870

The subject property has been researched and evaluated to determine its cultural heritage significance according to Ontario Regulation 9/06. This Regulation, defined in the *Ontario Heritage Act*, outlines several criteria for determining whether a property is of cultural heritage value or interest. For a property to be designated under section 29 of the *Ontario Heritage Act,* it must meet two or more of these criteria, which are outlined below. By using these criteria, staff can determine if the property's cultural heritage value or interest merits designation under the *Ontario Heritage Act*.

Description of Property
The property at 15 John Street East is located on the north side of John Street. The property contains an Ecelectic Neoclassical, c. 1890 two storey residential dwelling. Due to its association with an early settler family of Bradford, it is known as the Rogers House.

Its legal address is:
15 John Street East; Part of lots 1 and 2 on Plan 122A

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Design/ Physical Value
The Thomas S. Graham House has design and physical value as representative example of a Neoclassical, c. 1870 property. The house was built around 1870 and has the following characteristics: two storey building with symmetrical façade with full width verandah and a hipped roof.

Historical/ Associative Value
The Thomas S. Graham House has historic/associative value for its direct association with the Thomas S. Graham. Thomas S. Graham were an early settler family who operated a successful business on Holland Street and was involved in the community.

Contextual Value
The Thomas S. Graham has contextual value because it defines and supports and maintains the historic character of the former Village of Bradford.

Description of Heritage Attributes
Key heritage attributes of the Rogers House that exemplify its heritage value as a Neoclassical, c. 1870 house as it relates to the property include:

- Two Story Detached Building
- Symmetrical façade
- Rectangular window openings of varying sizes
- Full width verandah
- Broad hipped roof
- Cement block construction with rusticated brick texture