Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest

St. Johns Presbetyrian Church c. 1885

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 2528 Line 11 is located on the north side of Line 11. The property contains a Gothic Revival, 1889 place of worship. Due to its association with the early development of West Gwillimbury, it is known as the St. Johns Presbetyrian Church

Its legal address is:

2528 Line 11; South Half of Lot 15, Concession 11

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Design/ Physical Value

The St. Johns Presbetyrian Church has design and physical value as representative example of a Gothic Revival, 1889 property. The house was built around 1857 and has the following characteristics: Diocrhamatic Brick, Pointed Arch Windows and door openings, Circular windows, Front entrance brick, Side shallow buttresses, Filedstone foundation

Historical/ Associative Value

The St. Johns Presbetyrian Church has historic/associative value for its direct association with the St. Pauls Anglican Church. The Church was an important center for the early Christians of Bradford.

Contextual Value

The St. Johns Presbetyrian Church has contextual value because it defines and supports and maintains the character of historic West Gwillimbury.

Description of Heritage Attributes

Key heritage attributes of the St. Johns Presbetyrian Church that exemplify its heritage value as a Gothic Revival, 1889 house as it relates to the property include:

- Diocrhamatic Brickwork
- Pointed Arch (Lancet) windows and door openings
- Circular windows
- Front entrance brick
- Side shallow buttresses
- Fieldstone foundation