

NOTICE

In accordance with procedure By-law 160-2004, and in the matter of the *Ontario Heritage Act*, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter O. 18, and the matter of the lands and premises known collectively as Kennedy Valley, located at 7749 Kennedy Road South and 0 Clipper Court in the City of Brampton, in the Province of Ontario:

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO DESIGNATE

TAKE NOTICE that the Council of the City of Brampton intends to designate properties situated at 7749 Kennedy Road South and 0 Clipper Court in the City of Brampton, in the Province of Ontario, as properties of cultural heritage value or interest under Part IV of the *Ontario Heritage Act*, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter O. 18.

DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY

The properties at 7749 Kennedy Road South and 0 Clipper Court consist of a public park within a creek valley, located on the northeast side of Kennedy Road South, approximately 135 metres southwest of First Gulf Boulevard. Approximately 50 metres from the Kennedy Road South entrance to the park, along the trail is a stone monument and interpretive panel commemorating the Graham-Rutledge farmstead and farmhouse, which was formerly part of the property. The Graham Family Cemetery, which likely dates to the early nineteenth century, is located on the south side of the trail, approximately 180 metres east of Kennedy Road South. On the south side of the creek is a remnant nineteenth-century quarry.

SHORT STATEMENT OF THE REASON FOR THE DESIGNATION

The properties at 7749 Kennedy Road South and 0 Clipper Court are worthy of designation under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act for its cultural heritage value or interest. The properties meet the criteria for designation prescribed by the Province of Ontario under the *Ontario Heritage Act, Regulation 9/06* c.1 s. 27 (3) (b) for the categories of historical/associative value and contextual value. They were listed to the Municipal Register in 2005.

HISTORICAL/ASSOCIATIVE VALUE:

The Kennedy Valley has historical and associative value for its associations with the Indigenous peoples that lived around it and used its watercourse, as well as two prominent early settler families

in Brampton. The Etobicoke Creek was utilized by the Indigenous peoples that lived in and travelled through the area for fresh water and fishing.

The Graham family, who are among the earliest European settlers and the area and for whom Grahamsville is named, were the first to settle the property. The Graham Family Cemetery, which remains on the property contains the grave of Hugh Graham and it is reported that the cemetery also contains the burials of 25-30 other individuals. The property is also associated with the Rutledge family, who were also among the earliest European settlers and the area. William Rutledge who owned the property in the late 1800s, was a very prominent figure in the local community, serving as a Deputy Reeve, then Reeve, and Councillor for Toronto Township, before rising to the rank of Warden of the Township in 1914 and 1915.

The presence of early 19th century burial sites(s) has the potential to yield information that contributes to an understanding of a community or culture.

CONTEXTUAL VALUE:

The Kennedy Valley property also has contextual value for its historical and physical links to its surroundings. While the property has been mostly naturalized, features of the historical use of the property as an early settler farmstead remain in the Graham Family Cemetery and the remnant quarry, which provided the stone for the construction of the farmhouse which once stood on the property and the extant yard wall of the Peel County Jail.

DESCRIPTION OF THE HERITAGE ATTRIBUTES OF THE PROPERTY:

The heritage attributes comprise all physical remnants, monuments, plaques as well as significant landscape elements and important vistas. The detailed heritage attributes/character defining elements include, but are not limited to:

- The Etobicoke Creek
- The Graham Family Cemetery
 - Original markers and monuments
 - Location on the former Graham-Rutledge Farmstead
- Remnant Quarry
- Commemorative stone monument and interpretive panel

The short statement of reason for the designation, including a description of the heritage attributes along with all other components of the detailed Heritage Report: Statement of Reason for Heritage Designation, constitutes the "reason for heritage designation" required under the *Ontario Heritage Act*.

Please contact Johanna Keus, Assistant Heritage Planner, at Johanna.keus@brampton.ca to view this document, and for further information. Any objections to this proposed designation must be filed with the City Clerk no later than **4:30 p.m. on September 27th, 2025**, (within 30 days of the publication of this notice).

Date: August 28th, 2025

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