



**BY-LAW NO. 2026-0003**

A By-law to designate the Boston Presbyterian Manse located at 9059 Third Line under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act as being of cultural heritage value or interest

**WHEREAS** Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, c.O.18 authorizes the Council of a municipality to enact a by-law to designate real property, including all of the buildings and structures thereon, to be of cultural heritage value or interest;

**AND WHEREAS** authority was granted by the Council for the Corporation of the Town of Halton Hills to designate the property at 9059 Third Line, Town of Halton Hills, Regional Municipality of Halton, and known as the Boston Presbyterian Manse, as being of cultural heritage value or interest;

**AND WHEREAS** the Council for the Corporation of the Town of Halton Hills has caused to be served upon the owners of the land and premises known as the Boston Presbyterian Manse, at 9059 Third Line, and upon the Ontario Heritage Trust, Notice of Intention to Designate the property and has caused Notice of Intention to be published on the Town's website per the Town's "Ontario Heritage Act – Alternate Notice Policy";

**AND WHEREAS** the Reasons for Designation are set out in Schedule "B" of this by-law;

**AND WHEREAS** on November 17, 2025, Council for the Town of Halton Hills approved Report No. PD-2025-063, dated October 29, 2025, in which certain recommendations were made relating to the designation of the subject property.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF HALTON HILLS ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:**

1. THAT the Boston Presbyterian Manse, located at 9059 Third Line, and further described in Schedule "A", is hereby designated under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act as being of cultural heritage value or interest for the reasons set out in Schedule "B" attached to and forming part of this By-law;
2. THAT a copy of this By-law together with reasons for the designation be registered against the property and served in accordance with Section 29 of the Act;
3. THAT a notice of this By-law be published in accordance with Section 29 of the Act.

**BY-LAW** read and passed by the Council for the Town of Halton Hills this 26th day of January, 2026.

Originally Signed By:

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MAYOR – ANN LAWLOR

Originally Signed By:

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TOWN CLERK – VALERIE PETRYNIAK

**SCHEDULE "A" TO BY-LAW NO. 2026-0003**

**LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

PT LT 6, CON 4 ESQ, PART 1, 4, 20R920; HALTON HILLS/ESQUESING

PIN: 250220076

## **SCHEDULE “B” TO BY-LAW NO. 2026-0003**

### **REASONS FOR DESIGNATION**

#### **Description of Property**

The subject property is located along the northeast side of Third Line in the community of Scotch Block within the Town of Halton Hills. The property contains a two-storey Victorian-era dwelling with Queen Anne Revival influences, and is legally described as “PT LT 6, CON 4 ESQ, PART 1, 4, 20R920; HALTON HILLS/ESQUESING”.

#### **Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest**

The Boston Presbyterian Manse at 9059 Third Line is a rare, unique, and representative example of a late-nineteenth-century, Victorian-era residential building with Queen Anne Revival influences within the community of Scotch Block in the Town of Halton Hills. The c.1889 two-storey red-brick dwelling features design elements typical of the Queen Anne Revival style, including the steeply pitched roof, asymmetrical façade, two-storey bay, front facing gable peak, stacked brick chimneys, decorative brick banding, as well as the verandah with wooden radiating spindles, decorative brackets, architrave, and frieze. The building also features elements that are common amongst Victorian-era buildings and are extant within various styles of the period, including the flatheaded window openings with jack arches, projecting plinth foundation, brick corbelling, limestone sills and stringcourse, and tall stacked brick chimneys. The decorative brick work, such as the brick corbels and banding, display a high degree of craftsmanship and artistic merit.

The Boston Presbyterian Manse at 9059 Third Line is associated with the nearby Boston Presbyterian Church, serving as a manse for ministers and their families for nearly 70 years. The Boston Presbyterian congregation was established in 1820 and was created due to the large presence of Scottish immigrants in the area. At the annual congregational meeting on January 5, 1888, the congregation considered the building of a manse for the home of the next pastor. After approving the construction of a new manse, a building committee was appointed on September 21, 1888, and consisted of 15 members of the Church, including Archibald McGibbon, Robert Stewart, Thomas Aitken, Alexander Robertson, Abram Stark, John Sproat, James Murray, John. T. Elliot, Peter Campbell, William Hampshire, James Hume, John Stewart, John Michie, and John Hardy.

Throughout the ownership of the Boston Church, the manse hosted several ministers and their families up until 1957, including Rev. James Milne, Rev. Gregory, Rev. Watts, Rev. Rose, and Rev. McDermott.

The Boston Presbyterian Manse at 9059 Third Line has contextual value as it is important in defining, maintaining, and supporting the rural character of Scotch Block. The former manse is physically, visually, and historically linked to its surroundings, and accommodated several ministers from the nearby Boston Presbyterian Church. Due to the setback of the house, and the vegetation partially obscuring the front and side elevations, the property has not been identified as a landmark.

The heritage attributes of the property at 9059 Third Line that contribute to its physical and design value include:

- The scale, form, and massing of the two-storey c.1889 Victorian-era Queen Anne Revival residential building with hipped-gable roof, projecting brick plinth foundation, and brick banding;
- The materials, including brick, stone, and wood;
- The front (southwest) elevation, including:
  - Two storey projecting bay, including:
    - Brick banding at the first and second storey;
    - Flatheaded window openings at the first and second storey with jack arches, hood moulds, and projecting limestone stringcourse sills; and,
    - Hipped roof;

- Front gable peak with brick corbelling and banding directly beneath the roofline;
- Flatheaded window opening with jack arch, hood mould, and stone sill;
- L-shaped porch with decorative frieze and brackets;
- Two flatheaded entryways;
- The side (southeast and northwest) elevations, including:
  - Flatheaded window openings, jack arches, hood moulds, and stone sills;
  - Tall brick chimneys; and,
  - Brick corbelling.

The identified heritage attribute of the property at 9059 Third Line that contributes to its historical and associative value includes:

- The legibility of the Victorian-era Queen Anne Revival residential building along Third Line within the community of Scotch Block in the Town of Halton Hills.

The identified heritage attributes of the property at 9059 Third Line that contribute to its contextual value include:

- The legibility of the Victorian-era Queen Anne Revival residential building along Third Line within the community of Scotch Block in the Town of Halton Hills;
- The setback, location, and orientation of the c.1889 Boston Presbyterian Manse on the northeast side of Third Line in the community of Scotch Block; and,
- The scale, form, and massing of the two-storey Victorian-era Queen Anne Revival residential building.