From: "Vice-President Thornhill Ward One" To: "Mayor & Councillors" <<u>Mayor&Councillors@markham.ca</u>> Subject: Support Heritage Markham on the issue of 27 Church Street, Markham Village

Dear Mayor Frank Scarpitti and Markham Council,

Please support Heritage Markham on item of 27 Church Lane in Markham. This Heritage House is part of the Historic District of Markham and should be respected as such. We need to preserve our Heritage.

People move to the area because of the Charm and characteristics of the Historic Towns. The last Newsletter of the Smart Grow states:

Traditional cities are having a big decade Strong demand for historic downtowns and neighborhoods brings a surge of population at a level not seen in 70 years. According to studies the historic downtowns bring business and people.

Traditional cities are centers of finance, innovation, business, arts, and culture. They are important to the nation's history and sense of place. When foreigners visit the US and Americans go on vacation, they frequently go to traditional cities—which are the locus of 7 of the 10 most visited US tourist attractions. Thank you,

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