

**October 3, 2022**

**To: Puslinch Heritage Committee**

**Re: the David Morlock home, Morriston**

**Members of the Committee:**

**The David Morlock home is certainly a candidate for the most beautiful home in the village of Morriston. It is a part of a block of Morlock family heritage architecture at the south end of Morriston and without it, this display of one family's contribution to the architecture of the township during its residence throughout the 19<sup>th</sup> and early 20<sup>th</sup> centuries will be destroyed. Nowhere else in Puslinch is there such a presentation of one family's success and progress. The complete row of Morlock houses exhibits taste and beauty and is a commentary on the family and the time period in which this family lived here.**

**The Morlock family was a very prominent family in Morriston, certainly one of the most influential. They were among the very first settlers, arriving in 1828. The last member of the family to reside in Morriston, Simon Peter Morlock, a brother of David Morlock, wrote a history of the Morriston area and lived in the village until his death in 1974.**

**The David Morlock house is the only house in Puslinch, of which I am aware, to feature stained glass windows. This lovely display of Morlock heritage architecture, of which this home is a part, is situated attractively on a ridge, where it, indeed, appears to be an intentional display.**

**Let us in Puslinch keep this local treasure.**

**Sincerely yours,  
Marjorie Clark**

# **THE DAVID MORLOCK HOUSE**



**Photo taken April 9, 2009.**



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**This beautiful example of early 20<sup>th</sup> century architecture was built for David Morlock in 1909 on a ridge along the road, on the front of the Morlock farm in Morriston. It is adjacent to a red brick house built shortly before for his father, John Christian Morlock and an even earlier stone house built for his grandfather. The original magnificent Morlock stone farmhouse sits further south. Therefore, this yellow brick house is part of a continuous row of Morlock family heritage in Morriston.**

**In 1919, the home was sold to Duff's Presbyterian Church of Puslinch and became a manse or home for the church's ministers until the late 1990's.**



**Note the lovely diamond-shaped, stained-glass windows and the brick work surrounding them.**



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