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### **Town of Aurora Nominee Wins Lieutenant Governors Heritage Award**

**AURORA, ON, Wednesday February 7, 2007** – In a special ceremony at Queen’s Park on February 22nd Aurora resident and retired Aurora Museum Curator, Jacqueline Stuart, will be presented the first Lieutenant Governor’s Ontario Heritage Award for Lifetime Achievement. The award will be presented by Lieutenant Governor James Bartleman and Chair of the Ontario Heritage Trust, former Lieutenant Governor, Lincoln Alexander.

The Lieutenant Governor’s Ontario Heritage Award recognizes individuals who have made contributions to preserving, protecting and promoting community heritage for 25 years or more. Jacqueline was nominated for this award by the Town of Aurora, for over a quarter of a century of service in promoting and researching the heritage of Aurora. Jacqueline became the Aurora Museum’s first full-time curator in 1981 and in the 25 years of her employment she consistently went above and beyond the call of duty to ensure that research questions were answered, special events managed, and historic buildings maintained. Jacqueline has contributed an immense amount and time and effort to her work with the local Historic House Tours, the Historical Society, the York Durham Association of Museums and Art Galleries and other notable committees. Even in her retirement, Jacqueline still continues to volunteer countless hours at the museum and archives.

Mayor Phyllis Morris stated, “The Town of Aurora is very appreciative of Jacqueline’s passion for her work and dedication to preserving and protecting Aurora’s heritage. The foundation of her work will carry forward well into the future and help highlight Aurora’s historical landmarks.”

The ceremony will also include other recipients of this prestigious award across Ontario. Each recipient will receive a certificate signed by both the Lieutenant Governor and the Chairman of the Trust as well as a special achievement pin. All recipients and representatives of the nominating municipalities will be in attendance. Mayor Phyllis Morris will represent the Town of Aurora in recognition of Ms. Stuart’s outstanding efforts.

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**Town of Aurora Members of Council**

From left: Mayor Phyllis Morris, Councillors: Bob McRoberts, Evelina MacEachern, Wendy Gaertner, Stephen Granger, Grace L. Marsh, Alison M. Collins-Mrakas, Evelyn Buck, Al Wilson

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