# MAMMALS OF THE KOFFLER SCIENTIFIC RESERVE AT JOKERS HILL King Township, Regional Municipality of York (second edition)

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This property was donated to the University of Toronto in 1995. This list is based on observations at this site by C.S. Blaney, P.M. Kotanen, and others beginning in 1997, supplemented with observations by property manager W. Fox between 1971 and 1998. Expert assistance and was provided by M. Engstrom (Royal Ontario Museum), while M. Havelka (University of Toronto) added several new species in 2004 using live traps and a bat detector. Phylogenetic classification and scientific and English nomenclature follow the American Society of Mammalogists (ASM) Mammals Diversity Database (https://mammaldiversity.org/), with minor corrections.

This list includes all wild mammals observed within the Koffler Scientific Reserve during the observation period. Of the 31 species listed, 28 are considered locally native, while three (House Mouse, Norway Rat, and European Hare) are introduced. Some listed species may have been temporarily established (European Hare) or transient (Northern River Otter). Other difficult-to-observe species (especially bats) likely occur on-site, while species currently absent but occurring regionally (Black Bear) likely historically were present. Information on any additional species (preferably with photographs) would be welcomed by the authors.

#### **DIDELPHIMORPHIA**

## Didelphidae

Didelphis virginiana Kerr

### **RODENTIA**

#### Sciuridae

Glaucomys sp. (Linneaus)
Marmota monax (Linnaeus)
Sciurus carolinensis Gmelin
Tamiasciurus hudsonicus (Erxleben)
Tamias striatus (Linnaeus)

#### Castoridae

Castor canadensis Kuhl

#### Dipodidae

Napaeozapus insignis (Miller) Zapus hudsonius (Zimmermann)

#### Cricetidae

Microtus pennsylvanicus (Ord) Ondatra zibethicus (Linnaeus) Peromyscus leucopus (Rafinesque)

#### Muridae

Mus musculus Linnaeus Rattus norvegicus (Berkenhout)

#### Erethizontidae

Erethizon dorsatum (Linnaeus)

#### LAGOMORPHA

#### Leporidae

Lepus europaeus Pallas Sylvilagus floridanus (J.A. Allen)

### **SORICOMORPHA**

#### Soricidae

Blarina brevicauda (Say) Sorex cinereus Kerr Sorex hoyi Baird

#### **Talpidae**

Condylura cristata (Linnaeus)

#### **Opossums**

### (American Opossums)

Virginia Opossum

#### **Rodents**

### (Squirrels)

Flying Squirrel sp. Woodchuck Gray Squirrel Red Squirrel Eastern Chipmunk

#### (Beavers)

American Beaver

#### (Jumping Mice)

Woodland Jumping Mouse Meadow Jumping Mouse

## (New World Mice & Rats)

Meadow Vole Muskrat White-footed Mouse

#### (Old World Mice & Rats)

House Mouse Norway Rat

### (New World Porcupines)

Porcupine

#### **Rabbits & Hares**

#### (Hares)

European Hare Eastern Cottontail

#### **Shrews**

### (Shrews)

Short-tailed Shrew Masked Shrew Pygmy Shrew

#### (Moles)

Star-nosed Mole

**CHIROPTERA** 

Vespertilionidae

Eptesicus fuscus (Beauvois) Myotis lucifugus (Le Conte)

**CARNIVORA** 

Canidae

Canis latrans (Say)
Vulpes vulpes (Linnaeus)

Mustelidae

Lontra canadensis (Schreber) Mustela erminea (Linnaeus) Neovison vison (Schreber)

Mephitidae

Mephitis mephitis (Schreber)

Procyonidae

Procyon lotor (Linnaeus)

**ARTIODACTYLA** 

Cervidae

Odocoileus virginianus (Zimmermann)

**Bats** 

(Vespertilionid Bats)

Big Brown Bat Little Brown Bat

**Carnivores** 

(Dogs)

Coyote Red Fox

(Weasels & Otters)

Northern River Otter

Ermine Mink

(Skunks)

Striped Skunk

(Raccoons)

Raccoon

Deer

(Deer)

White-tailed Deer