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Exterior: Built of brick in 1807, this Federal style two story house was constructed by Jacob Oberdier, one of Franklinton's first settlers. The house rests on a limestone foundation which measures approximately thirty feet by twenty feet, and is three bays by two bays. The one story wing on the North side of the house appears to be original. Though the masonry is painted, the paint is likely a Twentieth Century addition.

First floor features include the limestone front steps. The wooden entry door on the South or front side of the house is enclosed in a paneled wooden flat arch capped by a limestone pediment. A semicircular fanlight is above the door frame which is flanked by rectangular sidelights. Rectangular doublehung sash windows are employed throughout the house. Also of interest are the limestone steps leading to the doors on the East and North sides of the house.

Second floor features include the above-mentioned windows and the presence of gable ends on the house. On each gable are twin wooden louvered vents from the attic.

The roof is shingled and sprouts inside end brick chimneys from the East and North sides. Simple box cornice is employed under the eaves.

Considering its age, this building is in good condition, and with minor repairs could be put into first-class shape.

Another two story structure rests on this lot, but because of its dilapidated condition and uncertain origin, it is not being considered in this nomination.

<u>Interior</u>: The interior of the house is rather plain with the first floor containing a living room, dining room, and kitchen. The trim and woodwork is unadorned and the plaster is in fair condition. The second floor houses two bedrooms and a bath. Interior alterations include the addition of electrical wiring, plumbing, and central heating.

Unfortunately, the house is in danger of being razed and the land being converted into a used car lot. Its neighborhood which was once the hub of Central Ohio has fallen into ruin. Since it is the only remaining building in Ohio associated with William Henry Harrison, it should be preserved for present and future generations. This fact coupled with the house's utilization as the residence of one of Franklinton's earliest settlers establishes the importance of it being recognized and placed on The National Register of Historic Places.

NATIONAL REGISTER

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August, 1797 marked the founding of Franklinton on the West bank of the Scioto River. The town was platted by an enterprising man named Lucas Sullivant who came to Ohio from Kentucky. To stimulate growth of the young town, Sullivant called one of his streets "Gift Street" and gave away lots on this street to new pioneers.

Jacob Oberdier was one of Franklinton's first settlers and he erected this house on Sullivant's Lot Number 123 at the corner of West Broad Street and Gift Street. The house was built in 1807 at a time when Franklinton was experiencing good growth and prosperity. Franklinton's growth continued for several more years and it became especially important to Ohio during the War of 1812.

During the war with Britain, Franklinton became a nerve center for Ohio troops where two to three thousand were trained and quartered. General William Henry Harrison used the Jacob Oberdier house for his headquarters during the winter of 1813-1814. It is not known if Harrison bought, leased or was donated the use of the house.

Harrison, born in 1773, was the son of Benjamin Harrison, a signer of the Declaration of Independence. He is remembered for his military victory over the Indians at Tippecanoe Creek in 1811. He was a Congressman and a Senator during the years 1816 to 1828. Harrison ran with several favorite son candidates in the 1836 Presidential Election in an unsuccessful bid to defeat Andrew Jackson's hand-picked successor, Martin Van Buren. In the Election of 1840 however, Harrison beat Van Buren by running on a platform for the common man which boasted Harrison's supposed love of "hard cider, hog meat, and grits." But tragically, after only one month in office, Harrison became ill and died April 4, 1841.

The house used by Harrison during 1813-1814 has been in the Kuhn family since 1865. Mary Kuhn, the most recent occupant, died October 21, 1972. Since she had no will, it is likely that the house and lot will be inherited by her aged brother, a resident of California. He plans to dispose of the property on the auction block. It will be more than likely acquired by a nearby auto dealer and converted into a used car lot.

See Continuation Sheet.

9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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Harrison, General William Henry, Headquarters

8. Since its annexation to Columbus in 1870, the old Franklinton area in which the house is located has succumbed to classic urban decay. Though this house is surrounded by car dealerships, parking lots and cheap restaurants and motels, it need not be sacrificed. It remains as a reminder of early Nineteenth Century Central Ohio and General William Henry Harrison who trained and commanded his troops from this location during the Winter of 1813-1814.

Clearly, the significance of this house merits immediate attention in order to prevent it from being razed to make way for another used car lot. Its placement on the National Register of Historic Places will give it the long overdue recognition it deserves. And indeed the recognition is most deserving as this house is the only remaining building in Ohio associated with William Henry Harrison.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES PROPERTY PHOTOGRAPH FORM

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This view shows the south and west sides of the house.

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Interstate 71 and 17th Avenue

the ohio historical society/ohio historical center/columbus, ohio 43211/telephone (614) 469-4663 9/10/

November 22, 1972

Dr. William J. Murtagh, Keeper National Register Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation 1100 L Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20005

Dear Bill:

Enclosed please find six (6) completed National Register of Historic Place forms for as many landmarks submitted herewith as EMERGENCIES.

These emergency applications have been approved by the Ohio Historic Site Preservation Advisory Board and owners of subject properties have been notified of intent to register.

The landmarks, and reasons for the emergencies are as follows:

- 1. Harrison, General William Henry, Headquarters, Franklin County: To be sold, presumably demolished, and site used as used car lot.
- Plum Run Mound, Highland County: In danger of being demolished for recreational purposes with state or federal funding.
- 3. McLaughlin Mound, Knox County: Within the proposed "take" area of an Army Corps dam project, but outside proposed pool level.
- 4. Dixon Mound, Licking County: In possible jeopardy from federal or state flood control dam project.
- 5. Kinzer Mound, Ross County: Adjacent to a federal-state recreational and flood control project. May be threatened by private or public development.
- 6. Nettle Lake Mound Group, Williams County: Registration requested to qualify site for possible federal matching funds for restoration and development.

Sincerely

Daniel R. Porter

Director

Write-up Sheet

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