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## National Register of Historic Places Inventory—Nomination Form

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7. Description

The Jefferson Avenue Historic District is comprised of approximately 12 architecturally and historically significant properties located in a one block long area of Jefferson Ave. between E. Broad Street and E. Long St. in downtown Columbus. The buildings are located along the perimeter of the avenue with a large, elliptical landscaped park in the center. Jefferson Ave. was platted in 1870 as a part of the East Park Place Addition and by 1890 the majority of the buildings were completed. Although deteriorated now, it is obvious that this was an affluent and fashionable neighborhood at the time it developed. Following are brief descriptions of the representative buildings.

- 51 Jefferson Ave. Built c. 1880, this structure is constructed of brick on a stone foundation and features a projecting bay, bracketed cornice, carved stone lintels and several stained glass windows. The brick has been covered with stucco and the porch and one story addition to the southeast corner were later changes. Much of the interior- window and door trim, mantels and the staircase are intact.
- 61 Jefferson Ave. This brick structure was built during the 1880's. The facade is clearly divided into three bays with double hung 2 over 2 windows with stone lintels placed within recesses. A round arched window is located over the entrance in the southernmost bay of the facade. A two story addition has been built on the south side of the house. A large rehabilitated carriage house (now used as offices is located at the rear of the lot.
- 66 Jefferson Ave. This large brick structure with a hipped slate roof features a projecting bay on the south elevation and coupled double hung 2 over 1 windows with stone lintels. Originally built as a private residence, the building has been recently incorporated as part of a new elementary school complex.
- 67 Jefferson Ave. This residence is constructed of brick on a stone foundation with a hipped composition roof. The windows are double hung 2 over 2 with stone lintels and sills. A large front porch with round columns was added during the early 20th century. Distinctive features include the ornamental roof cresting and the decorative iron fence enclosing the yard.
- 77 Jefferson Ave. This house, already individually listed in the National Register, was the residence of James Thurber from 1913-15. Thurber, a noted American humorist, frequently included Columbus locations in his stories. This house was described by Thurber in his famous short story "The Night the Ghost Got In". The large brick residence features multiple gables and dormers, large round arched front window with rusticated brick and smooth stone trim, ornamental wood trim in the gable ends and a stone and wrought iron fence bordering the sidewalk.
- 100 Jefferson Ave. This large brick structure, presently in use as a church, was constructed c. 1890. The distinctive features include the entablature decorated windows and denticular cornice. The building is undergoing rehabilitation.
- St. Paul AME Church This handsome, well preserved church was constructed in 1905-06. It is constructed of brick on a stone foundation. The building is two stories in height with a slightly taller square tower on the northeast corner. The notable features include the rectangular and round arched windows with stained glass in excellent condition, corbelled brickwork and virtually intact interior and large pipe organ. St. Paul is the oldest black congregation in the city of Columbus.

### 8. Significance

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#### Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

The Jefferson Avenue Historic District is significant as a small compact grouping of buildings which once was a part of a fine residential area in downtown Columbus. With the exception of the East Town Street Historic District, little remains downtown of the 19th century residential neighborhoods. East Park Place Addition was platted in 1870 and included three avenues with elliptical parks - Jefferson, Lexington and Hamilton. Lexington Ave. was destroyed by the construction of Interstate-71 which separates Jefferson Ave. downtown from Hamilton Ave. which is very much a part of the near east side of Columbus. The buildings included in this nomination are generally deteriorated yet they still exhibit the quality of late 19th century construction- brick construction, decorative stone lintels, stained glass, decorative interior woodwork and ornamental ironwork. The Thurber House and St. Paul AME Church are also significant for historical associations. James Thurber, an extremely important American humorist lived in this neighborhood from 1913-1915 and included this house in his famous short story "The Night the Ghost Got In". St. Paul AME is the oldest black congregation in Columbus. It was organized in 1823 and the present building is the fourth church for this congregation. It was built in 1905 as the black population of Columbus began to move eastward. It is an important landmark to the black community.

The majority of the buildings are owned by the Metropolitan Learning Community, a non-profit organization, which plans to sensitively rehabilitate and re-use the buildings for a variety of educational purposes. The intent is to make this accessible downtown neighborhood an active and integral part of the cultural life of Columbus. Recognition by the National Register will provide additional attention to this important grouping of historic properties in downtown Columbus.

9. Major Bibliographical Re	eferences
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Owners and addresses

Metropolitan Learning Community - 60, 61, 63,77,88 Jefferson Ave.

Raymond Sharpe - 51, 57, 67 Jefferson Ave.

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St. Paul AME Church - 104 Jefferson Ave. and 621-23 E. Long St.

Verbal Boundary Description

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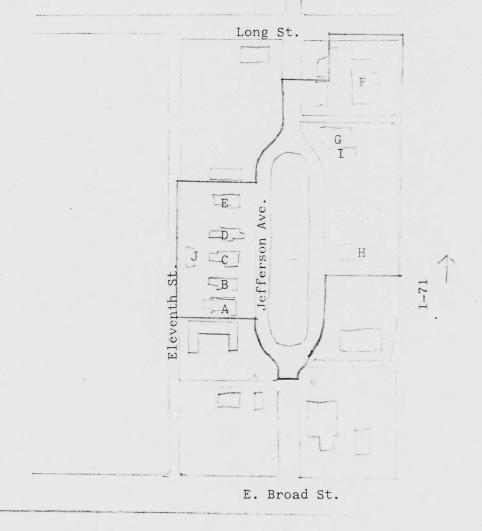
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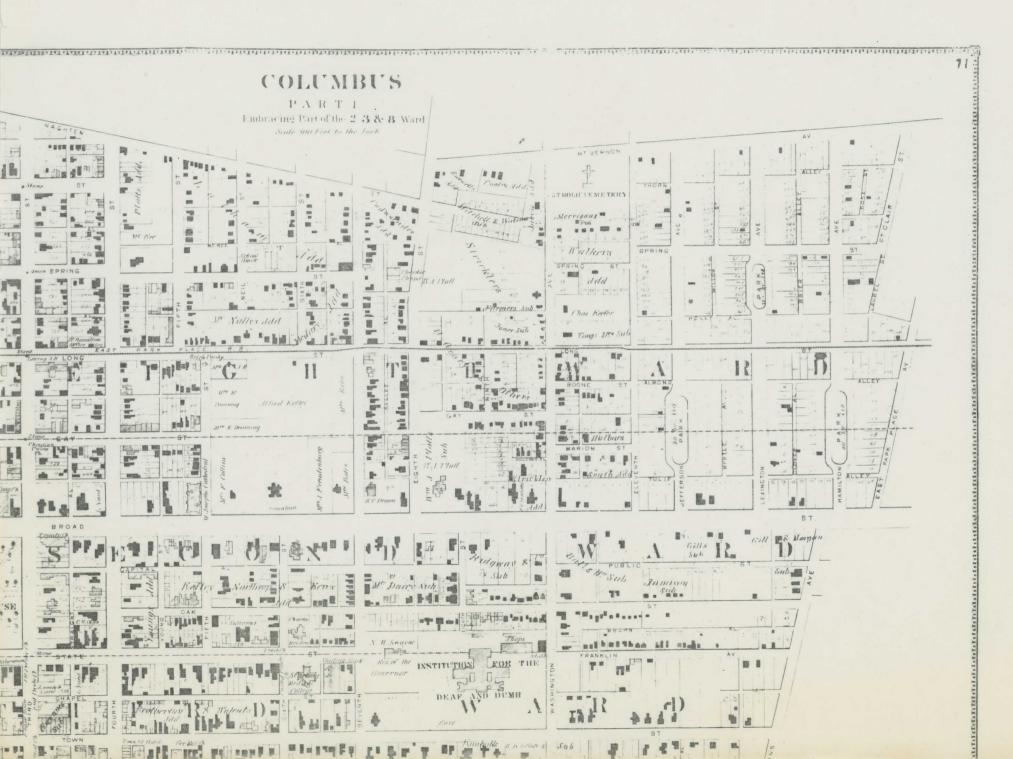
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#### Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

The Jefferson Avenue Historic District is comprised of 9 structures located on the east and west side of a portion of Jefferson Avenue, on the east edge of Columbus' central business district. In addition to the buildings, the 5½-acre district includes an elliptical public green space ca. 45' x 200', which divides the street, giving a boulevard effect. This space is open land containing mature shade trees. The buildings in the district are for the most part 2 or 2½-story brick structures, residential in character and Italianate in design. Some have been stuccoed, and while all have been altered to some degree, the district and its individual elements still possess a cohesive, compact feeling and a close association with the late nineteenth century when the structures were built. Lot sizes vary from 50' x 150' on the interior to 50' x 205' at the edge of the park. The streetscape on the east side of Jefferson Avenue is intact. Although several structures on the west side of the street have been lost, it is felt that the district has not been impaired to the extent that its integrity has been lost. A streetscape view is included in Photo 1; photo 2 shows the median park.

The following are representative structures; with numbers keyed to the enclosed district map.

- 1. 51 Jefferson Avenue: Built c. 1880, this structure is constructed of brick on a stone foundation and features a projecting bay, bracketed cornice, carved stone lintels and several stained glass windows. The brick has been covered with stucco and the porch and one story addition to the southeast corner were later changes. Much of the interior—window and door trim, mantels and the staircase—are intact. [Photos 3 and 4]
- 2. 61 Jefferson Avenue: This brick structure was built during the 1880's. The facade is clearly divided into three bays with double hung 2 over 2 windows with stone lintels placed within recesses. A round-arched window is located over the entrance in the southernmost bay of the facade. A two-story addition has been built on the south side of the house. A large rehabilitated carriage house (now used as offices) is located at the rear of the lot. [Photo 5]
- 3. 67 Jefferson Avenue: This residence is constructed of brick on a stone foundation with a hipped composition roof. The windows are double hung 2 over 2 with stone lintels and sills. A large front porch with round columns was added during the early 20th century. Distinctive features include the ornamental roof cresting and the decorative iron fence enclosing the yard. [Photo 6]
- 4. James Thurber House (77 Jefferson Avenue): This house, already individually listed in the National Register (N.R. 11/8/79) was the residence of James Thurber from 1913-1915. Thurber, a noted American humorist, frequently included Columbus locations in his stories. This house was described by Thurber in his famous short story "The Night the Ghost Got In". The large brick residence features multiple gables and dormers, large round arched front window with rusticated brick and smooth stone trim, ornamental wood trim in the gable ends and a stone and wrought iron fence bordering the sidewalk. [Photo 7]
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#### 7. Description, continued

- 6. 66 Jefferson Avenue: This large brick structure with a hipped slate roof features a projecting bay on the south elevation and paired double-hung 2/1 windows with stone lintels. Originally built as a rpivate residence, in the late 1970s a large addition was made to the side and rear of the building. It is felt that this addition, frankly contemporary though it is, is compatible with the historic character of the neighborhood in its materials (brick), in its fable ends, roof pitch, and roof height.
- 7. 92 Jefferson Avenue: 2-story brick residence, generally unaltered from the original, with a modest 1-story open wood porch on the south side. A 1-story bay window projects from the facade. Windows are flat-arched, 2/2, with incised stone lintels and drip labels. Narrow rectangular frieze windows. [Photo 9]
- 8. 57 Jefferson Avenue: 2-story residence of stuccoed brick. Windows 2/2, with incised lintels, similar to others in the district. Addition of indeterminate age to the south side of the structure. Narrow rectangular frieze windows. Full bay window on south side, with mansard roof. Iron fence with limestone posts along sidewalk.

#### Verbal boundary description, continued

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### 8. Significance

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#### Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

Columbus' Jefferson Avenue Historic District is nominated for its significance as a compact, planned, grouping of late nineteenth-century residences immediately adjacent to the city's downtown. While downtown living was once the rule, the urban sprawl of the central business district has taken a heavy toll on period dwellings in this area. With the exception of Jefferson Avenue and the East Town Street Historic District (N.R. 7/30/76) little remains of 19th century residential neighborhoods in the immediate downtown.

The East Park Place Addition was platted in 1870 andinsurance maps show development to have been complete by 1900. Its most intriguing feature lay in the elliptical boulevard parks which were found in its 3 principal thoroughfares: Jefferson Avenue, Lexington Avenue, and Hamilton Avenue. The construction of Interstate 71 obliterated Lexington avenue (the middle of the three East Park Place Streets). While Hamilton Avenue remains, it is geographically separated from Jefferson Avenue by the chasm of the interstate. Jefferson Avenue remains intact and linked with the downtown. Its boulevard plan was unique in the city and as such was a pioneering effort at landscape architecture coupled with the platting of new subdivisions.

The significance of the architecture here lies in the cohesion of scale, massing, style, and materials. While somewhat deteriorated the district still exhibits this cohesion with its brick construction (there was only one wood frame residence ever on the street), decorative stone lintels, art glass, decorative interior ornament, and iron fencing. Additionally, the national significance of 77 Jefferson Avenue cannot be minimized, for here the beloved American writer James Thurber lived from 1913 to 1915 and here he set his famous short story, "The Night the Ghost Got In."

Interestingly, also, most of the property in the district is owned by the Metropolitan Learning Community. The plans of this non-profit educational organization include the rehabilitation of much of the district and the integration of this accessible area into the mainstream of downtown Columbus cultural activity.

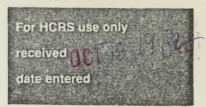
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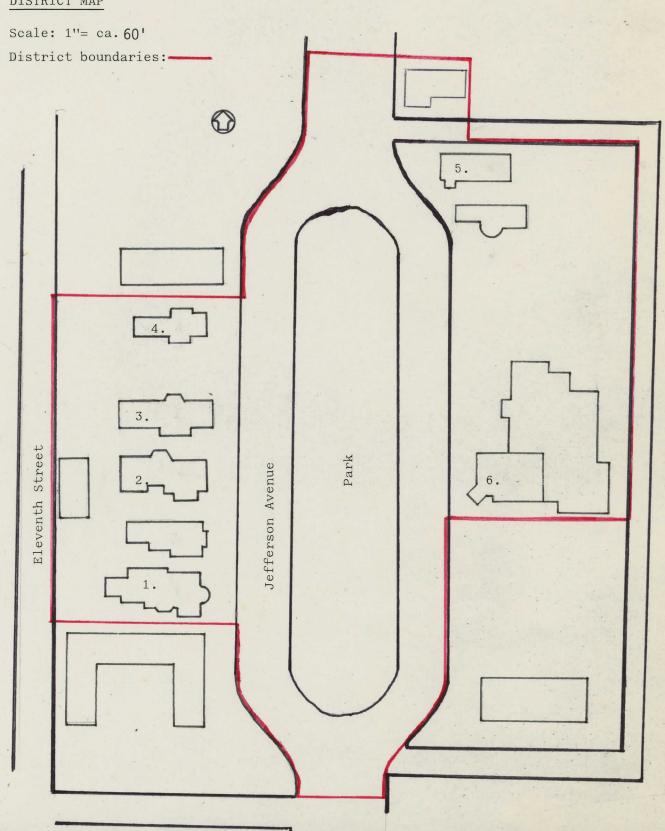
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Substantive Review	
Jefferson Ave. Historic Dist.	
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017, 1-10011-17	Working No. 3.3.82-62
	Fed. Reg. Date: 2/183
	Date Due: 12/2/82
	Action: ACCEPT /2/0
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nomination by person or local government	REJECT
owner objection	Federal Agency:
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Reviewer's comments:	19810
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JEFFERSON AVE. HISTORIC DISTRICT Columbus, Franklin Co., Ohio Photo by David L. Taylor, 1982 Negative at Cols. Landmarks Fndn. View of park, looking S. (Photo 2)



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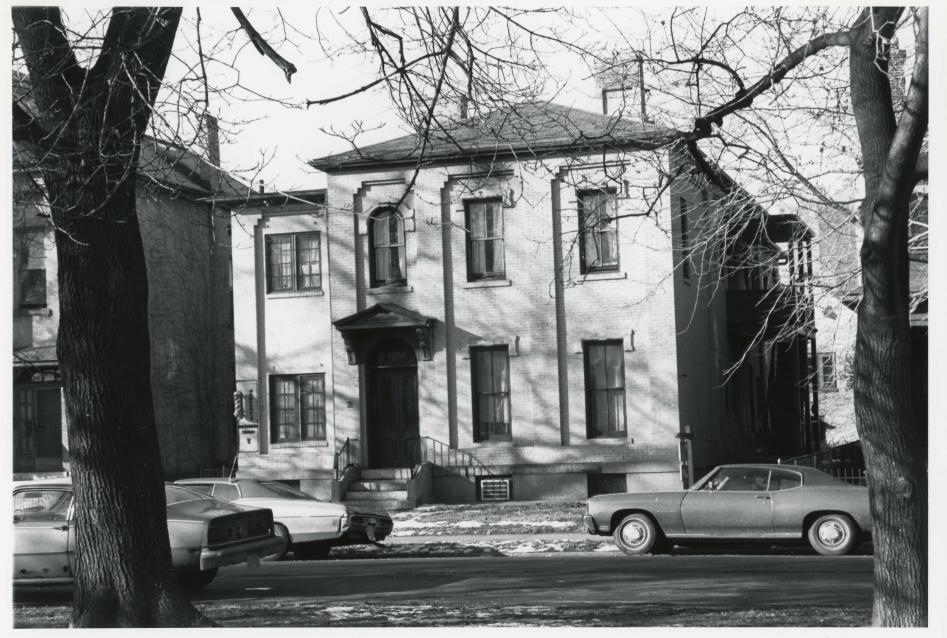


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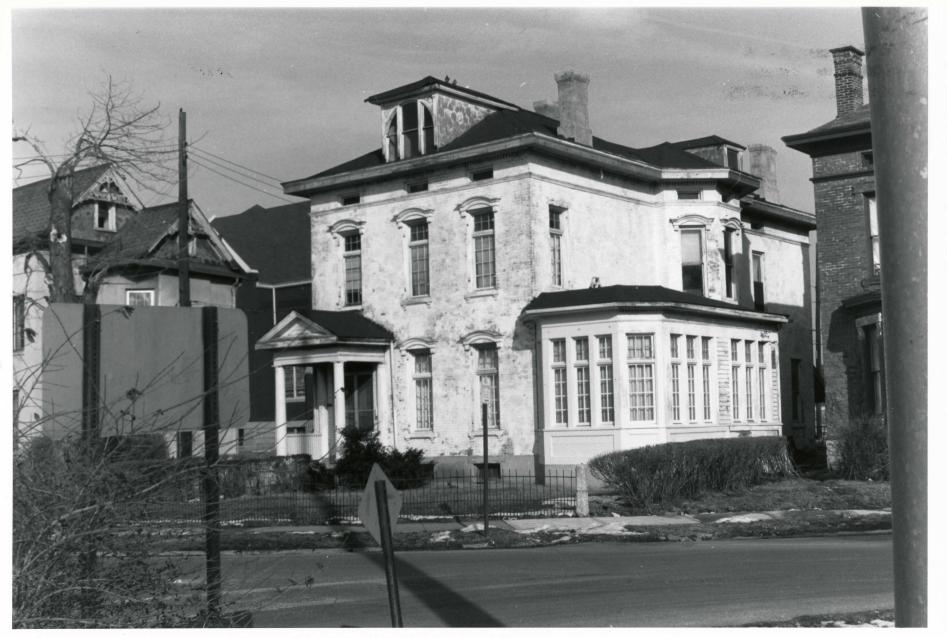
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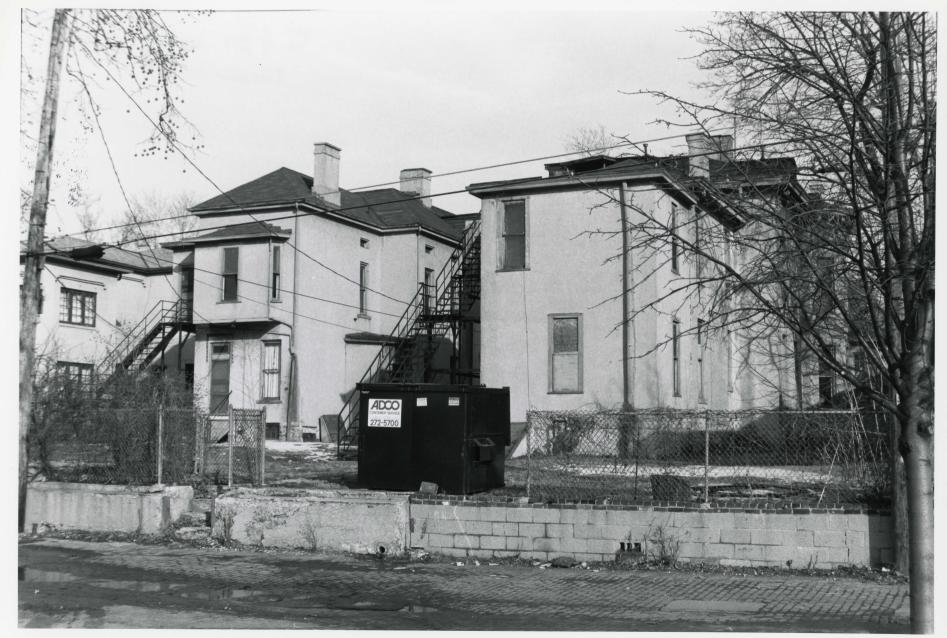
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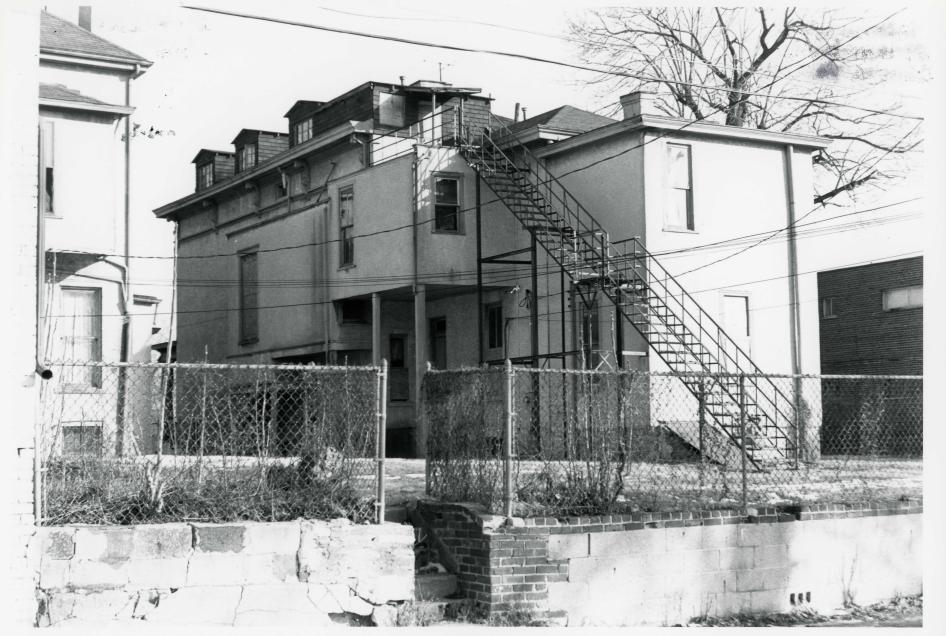


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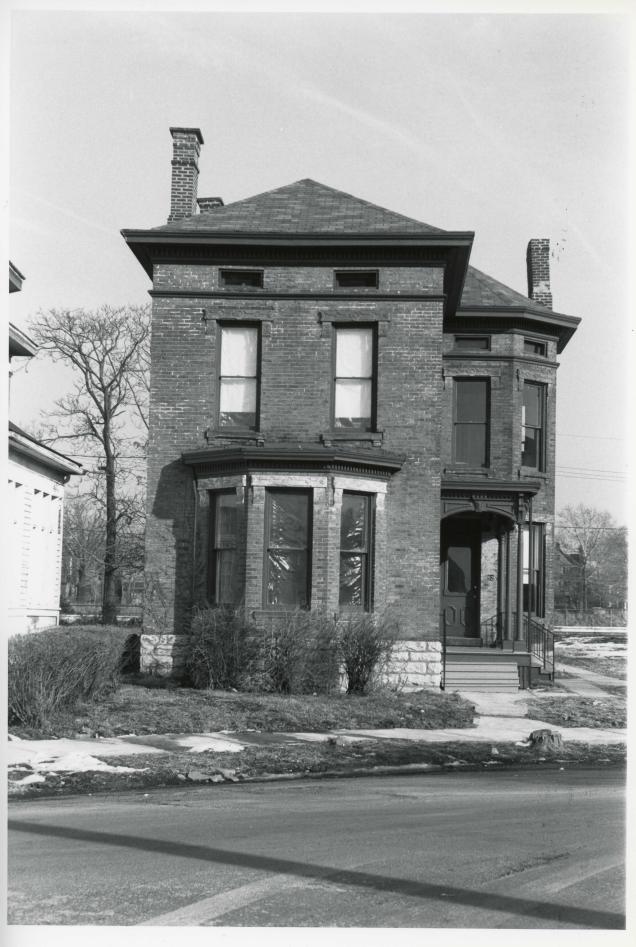


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## Ohio Historic Preservation Office

Ohio Historical Center I-71 & 17th Avenue Columbus, Ohio 43211 (614) 466-1500

October 8, 1982

Ms. Carol Shull, Chief Department of Registration National Register of Historic Places 440 G. Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20240

## Dear Carol:

Enclosed are thirteen new National Register nominations and two resubmissions. All the appropriate notification procedures have been followed for the new submissions.

New Submissions	County
Nichols, Eli, Farm	Coshocton
Allen Memorial Medical Library	Cuyahoga
Wade Park Historic District	Cuyahoga
Columbus Transfer Company Warehouse	Franklin
Grinnell Mill Historic District	Greene
Blair House	Hamilton
Bauer Apartments	Hamilton
Pine Meer	Hamilton
Antlers Hotel	Lorain
Meigs County Fairground Grandstand and Race track	Meigs
Celina Main Street Historic District	Mercer
Trimble, James S., House	Morrow
Fairmont Avenue Historic District	Muskingum
Resubmissions	County
Jefferson Avenue Historic District	Franklin
Canal Fulton Historic District	Stark

Please let me know if you have any other questions.

Sincerely,

W. Ray Luce

State Historic Preservation Officer

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