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National Register of Historic Places Inventory—Nomination Form

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See instructions in *How to Complete National Register Forms*
Type all entries—complete applicable sections

1. Name

historic North Market Historic District

and/or common

2. Location

*bounded by W. Maindale Park,
High, Front and Pine Sts.*

street & number see continuation sheet

___ not for publication

city, town Columbus

___ vicinity of

congressional district 12state Ohiocode 039county Franklincode 049

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
☒ district	___ public	☒ occupied	___ agriculture
___ building(s)	___ private	☒ unoccupied	☒ commercial
___ structure	☒ both	___ work in progress	___ educational
___ site	Public Acquisition	Accessible	___ entertainment
___ object	___ in process	☒ yes: restricted	___ government
	___ being considered	___ yes: unrestricted	___ industrial
		___ no	___ military
			___ museum
			___ park
			___ private residence
			___ religious
			___ scientific
			___ transportation
			___ other: market

4. Owner of Property

name see continuation sheet

street & number

city, town

___ vicinity of

state

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Franklin County Administration Buildingstreet & number 410 S. High Street

city, town

Columbus,state Ohio

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

title Ohio Historic Inventoryhas this property been determined eligible? ___ yes ☒ nodate 8/75___ federal ☒ state ___ county ___ localdepository for survey records Ohio Historic Preservation OfficeI-71 & 17th Ave.city, town Columbusstate Ohio

7. Description

Condition

☐ excellent
☒ good
☒ fair

☐ deteriorated
☐ ruins
☐ unexposed

Check one

☐ unaltered
☒ altered

Check one

☒ original site
☐ moved date _____

Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

The North Market Historic District encompasses approximately 13 square blocks in the northern section of downtown Columbus. The area is comprised of 2-4 story commercial and warehouse structures dating from 1880-1910. It is a compact and cohesive district in terms of scale, materials, design and setback. The area is one of the few left in downtown Columbus where an intact grouping of commercial structures from this era remain.

The development of the area as a commercial center was influenced by two factors in particular. The first was the location of Union Depot directly to the south of the district in 1850 and the second was the establishment of the publicly owned and operated North Market in 1880. The North Market is located in the center of the district on city owned property which was used as a city graveyard until 1849. Although the original brick markethouse burned and was replaced with a quonset hut, the North Market has been a Columbus institution since 1880. It remains the central focus for the district.

The buildings surrounding the market square are generally brick construction and 2-3 stories in height. They are substantially built and unpretentious in design, however a variety of interesting details-cornices, original stone and cast iron storefronts, decorative brickwork and brick paving - are visible throughout the area. There are several structures unique in Columbus located here. Following are brief descriptions of some of the representative structures.

405-413 N. High Street - Demolished

The Monypeny-Hammond building is one of the most unusual and attractive in the area. The one story, Beaux Arts facade gives no indication of the enormous three story warehouse behind it. The entrance, on High St., is on the third floor of the building. It was designed in, 1906 to be compatible with the 1897 Beaux Arts Columbus Union Depot Arcade which was designed by Daniel H. Burnham and located on the opposite side of High St. The Monypeny-Hammond building is similar in materials, proportion and style to the arcade (demolished in October, 1976) although the terra cotta is a deep red color rather than the buff color used in the arcade. The building is in excellent condition and virtually unaltered from its original appearance. Notable decorative elements include the squat Corinthian columns, Greek fretwork and grotesque three-dimensional faces.

William Monypeny, a native of Ireland and his son William Jr. ran various business concerns in the Monypeny Block, the Portland Block and the Normandie Hotel. Monypeny-Hammond organized in 1885 as a wholesale grocery business and later became associated with the Midland Grocery company which is still in business.

439 N. High Street

The Viaduct Restaurant is a three story brick structure. It possesses a nearly intact stone storefront and a pressed metal cornice. The building has been used as a restaurant and hotel for Columbus Union Depot passengers.

445-47 N. High Street

The W.S. Carlile and Son building is a handsome, five story turn-of-the-century commercial structure. Interesting details include round arched windows with decorative brick surrounds on the second level and the galvanized metal decoration on the fifth floor level. The building is large and located on a corner lot. The rear wing was a later addition.

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Owner

The Honorable Tom Moody
Mayor, City of Columbus
City Hall
Columbus, Ohio 43215

Katherine Carlile Donges
733 S.R. #380
Xenia, Ohio 45385

Janet E. Spencer
1828 Hartwich Road
Columbus, Ohio 43221

Abe M. Pollock
Marcus J. Leiberman
525 North Park Street
Columbus, Ohio 43215

Yankee Trader, Inc.
463 North High Street
Columbus, Ohio 43215

Wayco Properties
43 Vine Street
Columbus, Ohio 43215

George A. Thornton
424 Fourth Street, South
St. Petersburg, Florida 33701

Connie Thayer
Patterson Merkle & Associates
941 Chatham Lane
Columbus, Ohio 43221

S&D Realty
2164 Morse Road
Columbus, Ohio 43229

Property

North Market Building

443-5 N. High St.

91-93 Spruce, 491, 493, 497 Park St.

511, 517, 523, 525 Park St.

461-5 N. High St.

43-47 Vine St.

528 N. Front St., 42 W. Swan

479 Spruce, 464-494 N. Front St.

444-454 N. Front St.

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Owner

W. B. Richard
1800 Snouffer Road
Worthington, Ohio 43085

Plumber's Factory Supply, Inc.
467 North High Street
Columbus, Ohio 43215

Eloie Y. Oppenheimer
1619 Roseview Drive
Columbus, Ohio 43209

Nationwide Development Co.
Glen Thornton
1 Nationwide Plaza
Columbus, Ohio 43215

Midland Grocery Company
405 North High Street
Columbus, Ohio 43215

Huntington National Bank
William S. Kimmel
Trust Department
37 West Broad Street
Columbus, Ohio 43215

Gordon T. & Helen McCarthy
1659 Ridgeway Place
Columbus, Ohio 43212

Frank A. Marzetti
30 West Tompkins
Columbus, Ohio

Property

29 W. Goodale

467-471 N. High St.

509-513 N. High St.

537-539 N. High St.

405-413 N. High St.

475 N. High St., -

491-501 N. High St., 46-56
W. Spruce St., 32-34 W. Swan,
504 N. Park St.

37 W. Swan St.

Demolished

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Owner

Property

Helen L. Rohr
225 West Riverglen Drive
Worthington, Ohio 43085

26-28 W. Swan St.

Industrial Transmission & Bearing Co.
c/o Dollar Savings & Loan
35 East Gay Street
Columbus, Ohio 43215

531-3 N. Park St.

Alice & Thomas P. Kohr
Kohr & Royer, Inc.
145 North High Street
Columbus, Ohio 43215

541½, 543, 547, 549-551 N. High St.

Richard G. Llewellyn
Robert W. Blackmore
30 Spruce Street
Columbus, Ohio 43215

22-24-24½ W. Spruce St.

Greek Orthodox Church
546 North Park Street
Columbus, Ohio 43215

536, 546 N. Park St., 15, 23, 35-39
E. Goodale

Floyd J. & Ruth M. Kitsmiller
683 Ross Road
Columbus, Ohio 43213

19, 38 W. Swan St., 512 N. Park St.

Edith A. Holler
463 North High Street
Columbus, Ohio 43215

457, 459-9½ N. High St.

First Trivestors Equity
William McMenamy
23 North Fourth Street
Columbus, Ohio 43215

527-9 N. High St.

Empire Properties, c/o Al Press
P.O. Box 09581
Columbus, Ohio 43215

29-39 Vine St.

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Owner

William C. & Martha Donges
585 South Detroit Street
Xenia, Ohio 45385

Mary Currier
770 Courtwright Blvd.
Mansfield, Oh. 44907

Crossroads Holding Company
Kenneth Wears
81 South Fifth Avenue
Columbus, Ohio 43215

B&B Printing Company
491 North Front Street
Columbus, Ohio 43215

The Belle Glade Co.
Kohr & Royer, Inc.
145 North High Street
Columbus, Ohio 43215

Property

437-437½, 439 N. High St.

28-30 W. Spruce St., 21, 23-25 Swan St.

523-525 N. High St.

499, 501 Park St.

518-20 N. Park St.

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The Carlile Furniture Company began in the 1880's and continued in business in this neighborhood until the mid-1970's.

463 N. High Street

This five story brick structure is, along with the Carlile Building, one of the largest in the area. The facade is restrained and has a galvanized metal cornice. The building has two storefronts - one facing High Street, the other the North Market. This structure along with its north and south neighbors forms a compatible row of facades.

501 N. High Street

The Northern Hotel is a 3 story, buff brick building. Distinctive features include the corner oriel window and the galvanized metal cornice designed to simulate an elaborate arcaded corbel table. The rectangular windows have terra-cotta surrounds. The Northern Hotel was one of many hotels which served this area of downtown around the Union Depot. It is vacant, although there are plans to rehabilitate it.

509-513 N. High Street

The Old Struble Block and its neighbors at 509 and 513 offers one of the most lively and decorative facades in the district. The buildings were constructed during the 1890's and feature upper floor arcading, stone carving, patterned brickwork and corbelled parapets. The first floor levels have been altered.

41-547 N. High Street

This Italianate building is unique in the area and probably the entire city for its pressed metal facade. The bays are separated by pilasters and the windows have shaped architraves and lintels. The storefronts have been altered.

549 N. High Street

A portion of this structure may date from the 1860's. The tavern front has been altered, however, its companion next door is in its original form. It is one of very few stone storefronts along N. High Street.

507-515 Park Street

This 3 story brick structure was constructed between 1910-1920. It measures 6 by 8 bays and has a flat, built up roof behind the projecting cornice. The straightforward, handsome design has little extraneous decoration.

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536 Park Street

The Greek Orthodox Church is an important landmark in the North Market area. It has been the center of Greek life in Columbus for over 50 years. The present building was constructed in 1922 following the design of Mr. Katcharis of New York. The brick building features a 3 bay facade with a large round arched entrance flanked by domed towers. Stained glass round arched windows are used throughout. The central dome is octagonal set on a square base. Stone beltcourses and entrance surrounds provide contrast to the red brick. A modern wing is attached to the south side of the church.

29 Vine Street

The Allied Merchandise Buildings are three story brick warehouse structures. The distinctive features include the cast iron storefronts, manufactured by the Columbus Machine Company and the round arched openings across the rear elevation. These buildings face the market.

Southeast corner of Park and Vine

This building is unique in Columbus and exhibits a very unusual construction method--steel plates over a steel frame. Its riveted cladding and gray color lead to its nickname "Ironsides".

Northeast corner of Park and Vine

This black long two story brick warehouse was originally built to house farm implements for sale. Although deteriorated and painted white, some of the decorative brickwork is still visible.

The area has declined in recent years and many of the buildings are underutilized and deteriorated. Fortunately the significance and potential of the area is beginning to be recognized. The City of Columbus and the Ohio Historic Preservation Office recently funded a market and rehabilitation study of the area and owners and merchants are organizing to encourage area revitalization.

Significance

Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below							
☐ prehistoric	☐ archeology-prehistoric	☐ community planning	☐ landscape architecture	☐ religion				
☐ 1400-1499	☐ archeology-historic	☐ conservation	☐ law	☐ science				
☐ 1500-1599	☐ agriculture	☐ economics	☐ literature	☐ sculpture				
☐ 1600-1699	☒ architecture	☐ education	☐ military	☐ social				
☐ 1700-1799	☐ art	☐ engineering	☐ music	☐ transportation				
☒ 1800-1899	☐ commerce	☐ exploration/settlement	☐ philosophy	☐ theater				
☒ 1900-	☐ communications	☐ industry	☐ politics/government	☐ transportation				
		☐ invention		☐ other (specify)				

Specific dates

Builder/Architect

Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

The North Market Historic District is significant for two reasons: 1) it has been the site of a public market for nearly 100 years and is the only remaining public market in Columbus; 2) the area represents an intact, cohesive grouping of late nineteenth and early twentieth century commercial and warehouse structures. This type of commercial density was common in Columbus at one time, however, massive urban renewal and redevelopment programs over the past 20 years in downtown have left this as a final enclave of turn of the century downtown Columbus.

A 1920 history of the city referred to public markets as one of the first public utilities provided by the city fathers. Central Market was established in 1849 (demolished in 1966) and was followed by North Market, West Market and East Market during the 1880's. North Market was established on the site of a city graveyard. An entry in the 1912 annual report of the Superintendent of Documents stated that over 100,000 people visited the four markets weekly. That number represents a major percentage of the 1910 population of Columbus.

The area is quite interesting architecturally. There are several individually important buildings such as the Monypeny-Hammond building, the Struble Block and the steel clad building, however the major significance of the area is as a compact, cohesive grouping with buildings of similar scale (2-5 stories), materials (brick, cast iron, stone) and period (1880-1910). They present interesting streetscapes and are unified by their arrangement around the market. The brick alleys and irregular building shapes also contribute to the character of the district.

The area has declined in recent years and major new construction - especially the Convention Center and Nationwide Insurance Headquarters to the south have raised questions about the future of the area. Fortunately property owners and merchants are organizing to encourage the preservation and enhancement of this important downtown district. The Nation Register listing is the first step in that process.

9. Major Bibliographical References

Hesper, O.S. History of the City of Columbus, Ohio. Columbus: Memorial Publishing Company, 1920

Darbee, J.T. and Kitchen, J.L. Architecture: Columbus: Foundation of the Columbus Chapter of the AIA, 1976

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property 13 acres

Quadrangle name Southwest Columbus

Quadrangle scale 1:24000

UMT References

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Zone Easting Northing

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Verbal boundary description and justification

See continuation sheet

List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

state	code	county	code
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state	code	county	code
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11. Form Prepared By

name title Nancy Recchie/Regional Preservation Officer

organization Columbus Landmarks Foundation date 1/80

street & number 22 N. Front St. telephone (614) 221-0277

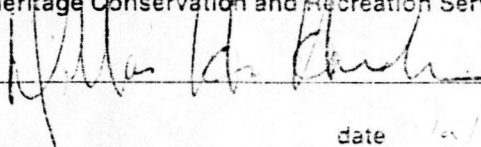
city or town Columbus, Ohio state Ohio

12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification

The evaluated significance of this property within the state is:

☐ national ☐ state ☒ local

As the designated State Historic Preservation Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the Heritage Conservation and Recreation Service.

State Historic Preservation Officer signature 

title S.A.P.O. date 1/9/80

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I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register

date

Keeper of the National Register

Attest:

date

Chief of Registration

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Annual Report of the Superintendent of Markets, City of Columbus, 1912,
1913, 1914

Centennial History of Columbus and Franklin County, 1907

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NORTH MARKET HISTORIC DISTRICT

Verbal Boundary Description

Beginning at the curb line on the southeast corner of the intersection of N. Park St. and Goodale; go east to the curb line of the southwest corner of Goodale and N. High St.; go south to a point 100' south of the intersection with Vine St.; go west 150'; go north to the curb line on the south side of Vine St.; go west to a point 100' east of the intersection with N. Park St.; go south to the railroad right-of-way; go west to the intersection with N. Park St.; go north along the curb line on the east side of N. Park St. to the intersection with W. Spruce; go west to the intersection with School Alley; go north to the intersection with Charles St.; go east to the intersection with N. Park St.; go north along the curb line on the east side of N. Park to the point of beginning.

Acreage - approximately 13 acres
Quadrangle - Southwest Columbus

W GOODALE

INNERBELT

SPRUCE ST

SWAN ST

PARK STREET

SPRUCE STREET

VINE ST

VINE STREET

FRONT STREET

WEST NORTH MARKET PLACE

EAST NORTH MARKET PLACE

Demolished

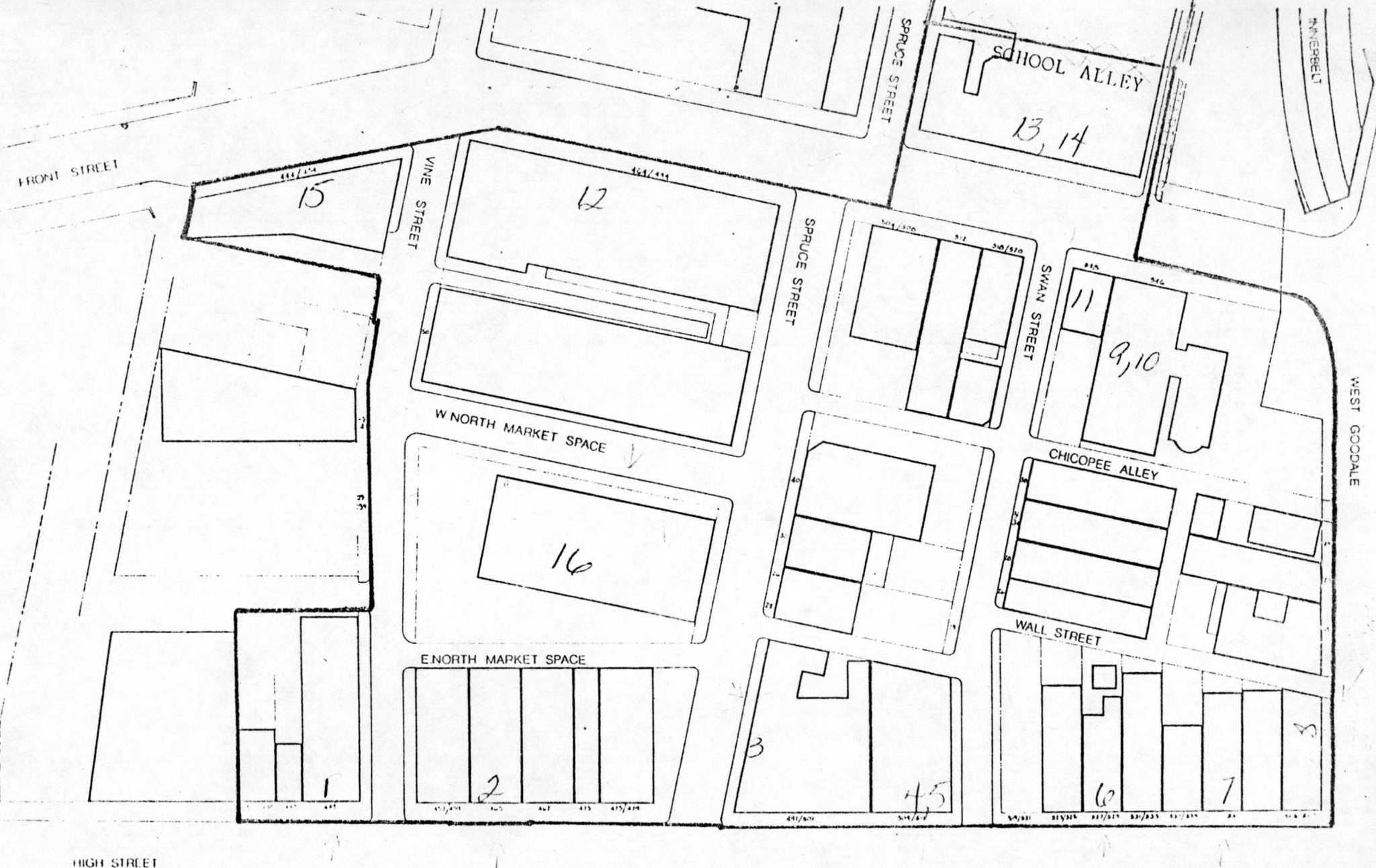
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EXISTING AREA PLAN



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The City of Columbus
 Mayor Tom Moody
 Department of Development
 Director Ralph Smithers

BOUNDARIES OF DISTRICT
 PHOTO KEY



0 60

North Market Area

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION / RETURN SHEET

United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service

Property: North Market Historic District
State, County: OH, Franklin
Federal Agency: _____

Working No. 3/3/82-571
Fed. Reg. Date: _____
Date Due: 4-1-82 / 4-17-82
Action: ☐ ACCEPT
☒ RETURN 4-7-82
☐ REJECT

photos 16
maps 1

☐ resubmission
☐ nomination by person or local government
☐ owner objection
☐ appeal

Substantive Review: ☒ sample ☐ request ☐ appeal ☐ NR decision

Reviewer's comments:

Return for clarification and expansion of parts 7+8, 10.

Recom./Criteria RETURN
Reviewer TRAVERS
Discipline ARCH HIST
Date 4/5/82
☒ see continuation sheet

Nomination returned for: ☒ technical corrections cited below
☒ substantive reasons discussed below

1. Name

2. Location

3. Classification

Category ☒ Ownership ☐ Status
☒ Public Acquisition ☐ Accessible

Present Use

please file in - if not applicable mark NA

4. Owner of Property

5. Location of Legal Description

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

has this property been determined eligible? ☐ yes ☐ no

7. Description

Condition ☐ excellent ☐ deteriorated ☐ good ☐ ruins ☐ fair ☐ unexposed
Check one ☐ unaltered ☐ altered
Check one ☐ original site ☐ moved date _____

Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

☒ summary paragraph
☒ completeness
☒ clarity
☒ alterations/integrity
☒ dates
☒ boundary selection

*How did this district appear during 1880-1910? non-contributing buildings.
How does it now differ? Dist. ^{non-contributing} buildings.
Analyze their affect on the district's ability to convey its historical appearance. When was the North Market quarter built? Address this change of buildings' appearance.
No analysis. How were boundaries chosen. Address the vacant areas in the district. How do they differ from*

CONTINUATION SHEET

8. Significance

Period

Areas of Significance—Check and justify below

Do not correlate to 1st paragraph.

Commerce should have been checked also

☒ Specific dates

☒ Builder/Architect

Please fill in - if not applicable mark 'NA'

Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

This part of the nomination is confused and confusing. Discuss the historical significance of the North Market district to the commercial development of Columbus during its historic period. How did it compare in terms of significance with the other market areas in the town? ~~How~~ How do the present buildings convey this significance, especially the church on 536 Park Street? How were the restaurant and hotel buildings related to the historical use of this district (buildings 439 N. High Street and 501 N. High Street). For architectural significance, does this ^{early 20} grouping contain a significant collection of late 19th buildings. How did they

☐ summary paragraph

☒ completeness

☒ clarity

☒ applicable criteria

☒ justification of areas checked

☒ relating significance to the resource

☒ context

☒ relationship of integrity to significance

☐ justification of exception

☐ other

9. Major Bibliographical References

compare architecturally with the other commercial + warehouse

10. Geographical Data

Address of nominated property

Quadrangle name

UNIT References

districts during their period of significance. After evaluating the significance of this district, assess the effect of alterations, vacant lots + non contributing buildings on this district's ability to convey its significance

Verbal boundary description and justification

How were the boundaries chosen?

11. Form Prepared By

12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification

The evaluated significance of this property within the state is:

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State Historic Preservation Officer signature

Title

Date

13. Other

☒ Maps

☒ Photographs

☐ Other

maps to Part 7 list of buildings could be keyed better with photos + sketch maps. Please provide additional photographs - of properties along Swan, Spruce, and W. Cordale Sts.

Questions concerning this nomination may be directed to Leon Travers

Signed

Braham

Date

6. 4.7.82

Phone: 202 272-3504

Comments for any item may be continued on an attached sheet

Part 7 cont

what appeared there historically
How does this affect the district's integrity?

This nomination could be ~~steps~~ strengthened
by citing how many other warehouses
appear in this district.

Also buildings along Swan Street, Spruce
Street, and West Cordale Streets need
description.

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street & number see continuation sheet

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vicinity of

congressional district 12

state Ohio

code 039

county

Franklin

code 049

3. Classification

Category

☒ district

☐ building(s)

☐ structure

☐ site

☐ object

Ownership

☐ public

☐ private

☒ both

Public Acquisition

☐ in process

☐ being considered

☒ N/A

Status

☒ occupied

☒ unoccupied

☐ work in progress

Accessible

☐ yes: restricted

☒ yes: unrestricted

☐ no

Present Use

☐ agriculture

☒ commercial

☐ educational

☐ entertainment

☐ government

☒ industrial/warehouse

☐ military

☐ museum

☐ park

☐ private residence

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☐ scientific

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Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

The North Market Historic District is comprised of 34 structures encompassing approximately 13 square blocks in the northern section of Columbus' central business district. Primarily dating from ca. 1880 to 1915, the district contains a cohesive collection of historic commercial and warehouse buildings generally of two to four stories in height. It is a compact area whose individual components share common scale, materials, design and setback. The bulk of the district is oriented around a market square within which is the North Market itself. The structures which make up the district vary in style from the ornate opulence of the Victorian Italianate to unassuming but nonetheless significant warehouse architecture. The buildings are substantially built, generally of brick, and share a variety of detail, including lavish cornices, some original storefronts of stone and cast iron, and various degrees of decorative brickwork. [Photos 1, 2, 3]

Because of a dearth of historic photos from the late nineteenth and early twentieth century, it is impossible to ascertain the appearance of this area during that period. However, on historic insurance maps the North Market area and the other immediately adjacent land is shown as containing warehouses and commercial architecture. This warehouse character grew directly from the area's proximity to the city's rail hub which was located immediately to the east across North High Street. Recent development activity to the east and to the south (resulting in the Nationwide tower and the Convention Center) has destroyed much of this historic warehouse fabric; the North Market area alone remains as an intact, cohesive reminder of large-scale warehouse activity in the capital city. The boundaries attest to this fact. The land north of the North Market area is a historic residential area, the Near Northside Historic District (N.R. 6/4/80); Nationwide is immediately to the south, across the railroad tracks; the Ohio Center and its attendant surface parking area is to the east, across High Street; and the structures to the west of the nominated area possess neither the integrity nor the cohesion to warrant inclusion in the district nomination.

Pivotal buildings in the North Market Historic District include the following, with numbers keyed to the attached district map:

1. Viaduct Restaurant (439 N. High Street): A three-story Italianate commercial structure with a nearly-intact limestone storefront and a cornice of stamped metal. Hoodmolds with labels over the flat-arched windows. Historically, the structure housed a restaurant and hotel used primarily by rail passengers. (Photo 3A)
2. Carlile Building (445-447 N. High Street): A handsome 5-story structure with a facade of press brick trimmed in stone. Romanesque arches as well as flat arches add to the eclectic feeling of this building as does the entablature area with attenuated columnation of metal. Moulded cornice with dentil trim. (ca. 1900) [Photo 4]
3. 463 North High Street: 5-story commercial building with unusual 2-story storefront which appears to be only minimally altered from the original. One of the largest structures in the district, this building has a facade of press brick, stone trim, and a very fine pressed metal cornice. Also notable for its rear storefront which opens onto the market square. (ca. 1900) [Photo 5]
4. 467 N. High Street: 4-story Italianate vernacular building probably built in 2 sections of 3 bays each. Belt course of stone at 2nd and 3rd stories. Original rear storefront of cast iron faces the market square. Skylight on 4th floor. (ca. 1900) (Photo 5A)

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<u>Owner</u>	<u>Property</u>
The Honorable Tom Moody Mayor, City of Columbus City Hall Columbus, Ohio 43215	North Market Building
Katherine Carlile Donges 733 S.R. #380 Xenia, Ohio 45385	443-5 N. High St.
Janet E. Spencer 1828 Hartwitch Road Columbus, Ohio 43221	91-93 Spruce, 491, 493, 497 Park St.
Abe M. Pollock Marcus J. Leiberman 525 North Park Street Columbus, Ohio 43215	511, 517, 523, 525 Park St.
Yankee Trader, Inc. 463 North High Street Columbus, Ohio 43215	461-5 N. High St.
Wayco Properties 43 Vine Street Columbus, Ohio 43215	43-47 Vine St.
George A. Thornton 424 Fourth Street, South St. Petersburg, Florida 33701	528 N. Front St., 42 W. Swan
Connie Thayer Patterson Merkle & Associates 941 Chatham Lane Columbus, Ohio 43221	479 Spruce, 464-494 N. Front St.
S&D Realty 2164 Morse Road Columbus, Ohio 43229	444-454 N. Front St.

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<u>Owner</u>	<u>Property</u>
W. B. Richard 1800 Snouffer Road Worthington, Ohio 43085	29 W. Goodale
Plumber's Factory Supply, Inc. 467 North High Street Columbus, Ohio 43215	467-471 N. High St.
Eloie Y. Oppenheimer 1619 Roseview Drive Columbus, Ohio 43209	509-513 N. High St.
Nationwide Development Co. Glen Thornton 1 Nationwide Plaza Columbus, Ohio 43215	537-539 N. High St.
Midland Grocery Company 405 North High Street Columbus, Ohio 43215 Demolished	405-413 N. High St.
Huntington National Bank William S. Kimmel Trust Department 37 West Broad Street Columbus, Ohio 43215	475 N. High St.,
Gordon T. & Helen McCarthy 1659 Ridgeway Place Columbus, Ohio 43212	491-501 N. High St., 46-56 W. Spruce St., 32-34 W. Swan, 504 N. Park St.
Frank A. Marzetti 30 West Tompkins Columbus, Ohio	37 W. Swan St.

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<u>Owner</u>	<u>Property</u>
Helen L. Rohr 225 West Riverglen Drive Worthington, Ohio 43085	26-28 W. Swan St.
Industrial Transmission & Bearing Co. c/o Dollar Savings & Loan 35 East Gay Street Columbus, Ohio 43215	531-3 N. Park St.
Alice & Thomas P. Kohr Kohr & Royer, Inc. 145 North High Street Columbus, Ohio 43215	541½, 543, 547, 549-551 N. High St.
Richard G. Llewellyn Robert W. Blackmore 30 Spruce Street Columbus, Ohio 43215	22-24-24½ W. Spruce St.
Greek Orthodox Church 546 North Park Street Columbus, Ohio 43215	536, 546 N. Park St., 15, 23, 35-39 E. Goodale
Floyd J. & Ruth M. Kitsmiller 683 Ross Road Columbus, Ohio 43213	19, 38 W. Swan St., 512 N. Park St.
Edith A. Holler 463 North High Street Columbus, Ohio 43215	457, 459-9½ N. High St.
First Trivestors Equity William McMenemy 23 North Fourth Street Columbus, Ohio 43215	527-9 N. High St.
Empire Properties, c/o Al Press P.O. Box 09581 Columbus, Ohio 43215	29-39 Vine St.

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<u>Owner</u>	<u>Property</u>
William C. & Martha Donges 585 South Detroit Street Xenia, Ohio 45385	437-437½, 439 N. High St.
Mary Currier 770 Courtwright Blvd. Mansfield, Oh. 44907	28-30 W. Spruce St., 21, 23-25 Swan St.
Crossroads Holding Company Kenneth Wears 81 South Fifth Avenue Columbus, Ohio 43215	523-525 N. High St.
B&B Printing Company 491 North Front Street Columbus, Ohio 43215	499, 501 Park St.
The Belle Glade Co. Kohr & Royer, Inc. 145 North High Street Columbus, Ohio 43215	518-20 N. Park St.

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5. Northern Hotel (491-501 North High Street): 3-story hotel building of common brick with veneer of buff press brick. Distinctive architectural features include a rounded corner tourelle and a parapet gable on the east and south elevations, with a metal cornice designed to give the effect of an arcaded corbel table. Flat-arched windows set singly and in twos and threes, with surrounds of terra cotta. Two original light wells on the interior. (ca. 1915) [Photo 6]
6. 505-513 North High Street: The Struble Block (509 North High) and its 2 adjacent neighbors offer the most lively and distinctive facade grouping in the district. Highlights include ornamental brickwork, terra cotta, metal architectural elements, and a variety of window treatments. The cornice on 505 North High Street has been removed; otherwise the grouping appears little altered above the storefront. (Struble Building: 1893; others ca. 1895.) [Photo 7]
7. 541-547 North High Street: This exceptionally fine Italianate commercial building is unique in the city for its facade of pressed metal, including pilasters, hoodmolds, and cornice. The 3-story structure features each bay articulated by pilasters and each window capped with a pedimental architrave. Storefront has been altered. (ca. 1885) [Photo 8]
8. Mellman's Tavern (549-551 North High Street): Judging from the simple lines of the facade and the flat-arched, unornamented window surrounds, this may be one of the oldest structures in the district. Early wood storefront at 549 North High Street. Simple cornice, also of wood. (ca. 1860) [Photo 9]
9. Riebel Building (15 West Goodale): Built as physician's office and flats by Dr. J.A. Riebel, this vaguely Jacobethan building is of brick construction, with a symmetrical facade. Two parapet gables top the facade with a centered entryway. Smooth-dressed stone strapwork. Skylight in corridor of third story. Reinforced concrete porch at rear. (ca. 1911) [Photo 10]
10. Hellenic Orthodox Evangelical Church (546 North Park Street): Romanesque Revival building of brick, with 3-bay facade having round-arched entrance flanked by domed corner towers. Romanesque-arched voids with art glass glazing used throughout. While not associated with the area's early development, this structure has been a landmark here since its construction, and is clearly an important structure within the geographic context of the area as a whole. Contemporary addition with round-arched voids, attached to south side (1922; Katcharis, architect. Addition: 1951). [Photo 11]
11. Grouping, West Park Street: While not of the Italianate character of many of the High Street buildings in the district, these four brick buildings represent the area's architecture from the first quarter of the twentieth century. They feature wire-cut brick and some modest Colonial Revival ornament. Of particular interest is the Pollock Wholesale Co. building (525 North Park Street) with its corbelled brick ornament, flared lintels with keystones, and original, intact storefront. (ca. 1910-1925) [Photo 12]
12. 460-488 North Park Street Warehouses: 2-story warehouse structures with some original iron columns noted on boarded-up storefront. Second story windows are segmental-arched, with brick lintels. Some corbeled brick panels, but generally devoid of ornament. (ca. 1915) [Photo 13]

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13. 444-454 North Front Street: The only such building in the district, this steel frame warehouse features a skin of steel plates rivoted over the interior skeleton, resulting in a sort of "curtain wall" construction. Its riveted cladding and gray wear lead to its being known locally as "Ironsides." [Photo 14]
14. North Market (29 Spruce Street): This single-story structure is a 3-bay quonset structure with end walls of concrete block and a roof structure of corrugated metal supported by steel posts. Containing 15,000 square feet, the structure houses the market, with 22 vendor stands and a small restaurant. A public market was established here in 1880; the present structure was erected in 1947 following the destruction by fire of the original market house. While not architecturally spectacular, the present market building remains the central focus of the district. [Photo 15]
15. Llewellyn Tire Building (30 Spruce Street): Rather simple 3-story brick structure with press brick veneer. Cornice area distinguished by a series of corbeled brick panels. Windows flat-arched, 1/1 lights, with steel lintels. Parapet walls with coping tile.

The following buildings are considered intrusive to the North Market Historic District due to the use of modern construction methods and materials or severe facade alterations. Although non-conforming in materials and workmanship it is not felt they greatly detract from the overall integrity of the area as a 19th-20th Century warehouse and commercial district.

1. 475-479 N. High Street: Building of brick bearing wall construction. The north wall has been stuccoed. The High Street facade has been extensively altered by an aluminum and glass storefront and metal covering over the upper half of facade.
2. 504 N. Park Street: A late 20th Century building of plain brick veneer over concrete block bearing wall construction.
3. 40 Spruce Street: A one story concrete block building with structural clay tile facade. Storefront window on Spruce Street. Steel sash windows along top of west and north walls.

8. Significance

Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
☐ prehistoric	☐ archeology-prehistoric	☐ community planning	☐ landscape architecture	☒ religion
☐ 1400-1499	☐ archeology-historic	☐ conservation	☐ law	☐ science
☐ 1500-1599	☐ agriculture	☐ economics	☐ literature	☐ sculpture
☐ 1600-1699	☒ architecture	☐ education	☐ military	☐ social/
☐ 1700-1799	☐ art	☐ engineering	☐ music	☐ humanitarian
☒ 1800-1899	☒ commerce	☐ exploration/settlement	☐ philosophy	☐ theater
☒ 1900-	☐ communications	☒ industry	☐ politics/government	☒ transportation
		☐ invention		☐ other (specify)

Specific dates 1880

Builder/Architect

Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

Columbus' North Market Historic District is nominated as the last surviving large-scale remnant of the capitol city's once-thriving warehouse/commercial life. The type of architecture found within the district was once common in Columbus, but massive urban renewal projects and the construction of I-70 and I-670 have left this as the last cohesive physical evidence of turn-of-the century downtown Columbus.

In addition to its architectural significance, the district is also important in a broader cultural sense as the home of the only remaining public market in Columbus. A 1920 history of the city notes that public markets were one of the first public utilities which were provided by the city fathers. Beginning with Central Market in 1849 and culminating with the East, West, and North Markets in the 1880's, these facilities were the shopping centers of the nineteenth century. Established in 1880, the North Market was established on the site of a city cemetery, and has continued in uninterrupted operation since that date.

This area evolved directly with the growth of the railroad in the city. Columbus' first Union Station (1850), second (1873), and third (1897; Daniel Burnham, architect; razed, 1976) stood across High Street from the district, and accounted for the district's growth of commercial, hotel, and warehouse development. Each area of the city had a public market; all but the North Market have been destroyed. While some storefront alteration has occurred, and while there are a few non-contributing buildings within the district, the great majority of these structures unquestionably do convey the sense of time, place, materials, and craftsmanship which are required for a district.

The North Market building itself must be examined not only within the context of its association with the market area but also as a historically recognizable building type. The construction of the quonset hut in 1947 displays a strong desire to continue the market and its activities, even in the Post WWII period when traditional building materials were not readily available. The North Market structure is one of the few remaining examples of the quonset hut building type in Columbus.

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Kitchen, Judith, et. al. Architecture: Columbus (Columbus, Ohio, 1976).

10. Geographical Data

Acreeage of nominated property ca. 13 acres

Quadrangle name Southwest Columbus, Ohio

Quadrangle scale 1:24000

UMT References

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Verbal boundary description and justification

Refer to continuation sheet

List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

state N/A code county code

state code county code

11. Form Prepared By

name/title David L. Taylor, Executive Director

organization Columbus Landmarks Foundation

date July, 1982

street & number 22 North Front Street

telephone 614-221-0227

city or town Columbus, Ohio 43215

state

12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification

The evaluated significance of this property within the state is:

☐ national ☐ state ☒ local

As the designated State Historic Preservation Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the Heritage Conservation and Recreation Service.

State Historic Preservation Officer signature

W. Ray Luce

title SHPO

date 11/4/82

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I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register

date 12-30-82

for Lester McClelland
Keeper of the National Register

Attest:

date

Chief of Registration

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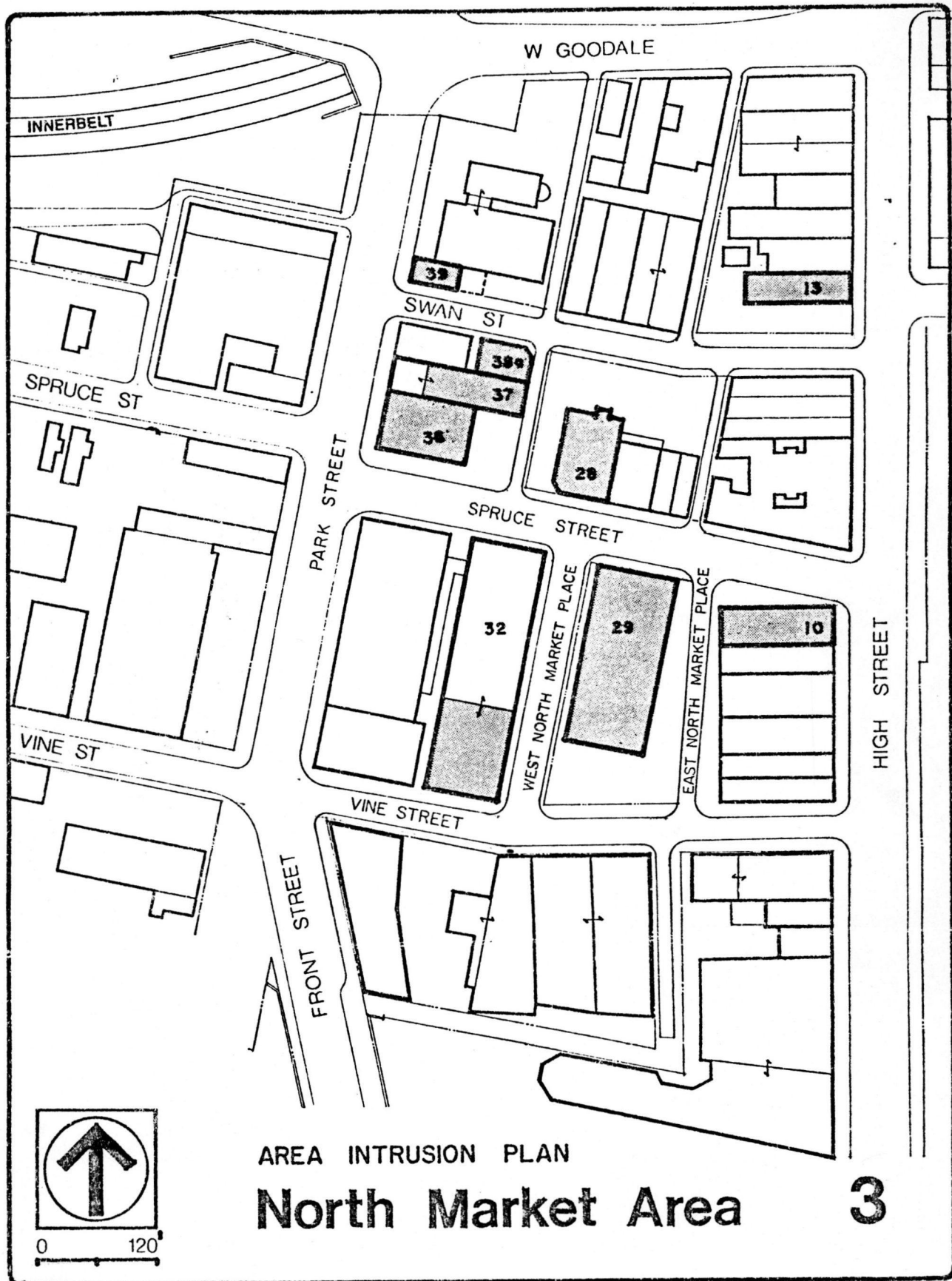
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NORTH MARKET HISTORIC DISTRICT

Verbal Boundary Description

Beginning at the curb line on the southeast corner of the intersection of N. Park St. and Goodale; go east to the curb line of the southwest corner of Goodale and N. High St.; go south to a point 100' south of the intersection with Vine St.; go west 150'; go north to the curb line on the south side of Vine St.; go west to a point 100' east of the intersection with N. Park St.; go south to the railroad right-of-way; go west to the intersection with N. Park St.; go north along the curb line on the east side of N. Park St. to the intersection with W. Spruce; go west to the intersection with School Alley; go north to the intersection with Charles St.; go east to the intersection with N. Park St.; go north along the curb line on the east side of N. Park to the point of beginning.

Acreage - approximately 13 acres
Quadrangle - Southwest Columbus



AREA INTRUSION PLAN

North Market Area

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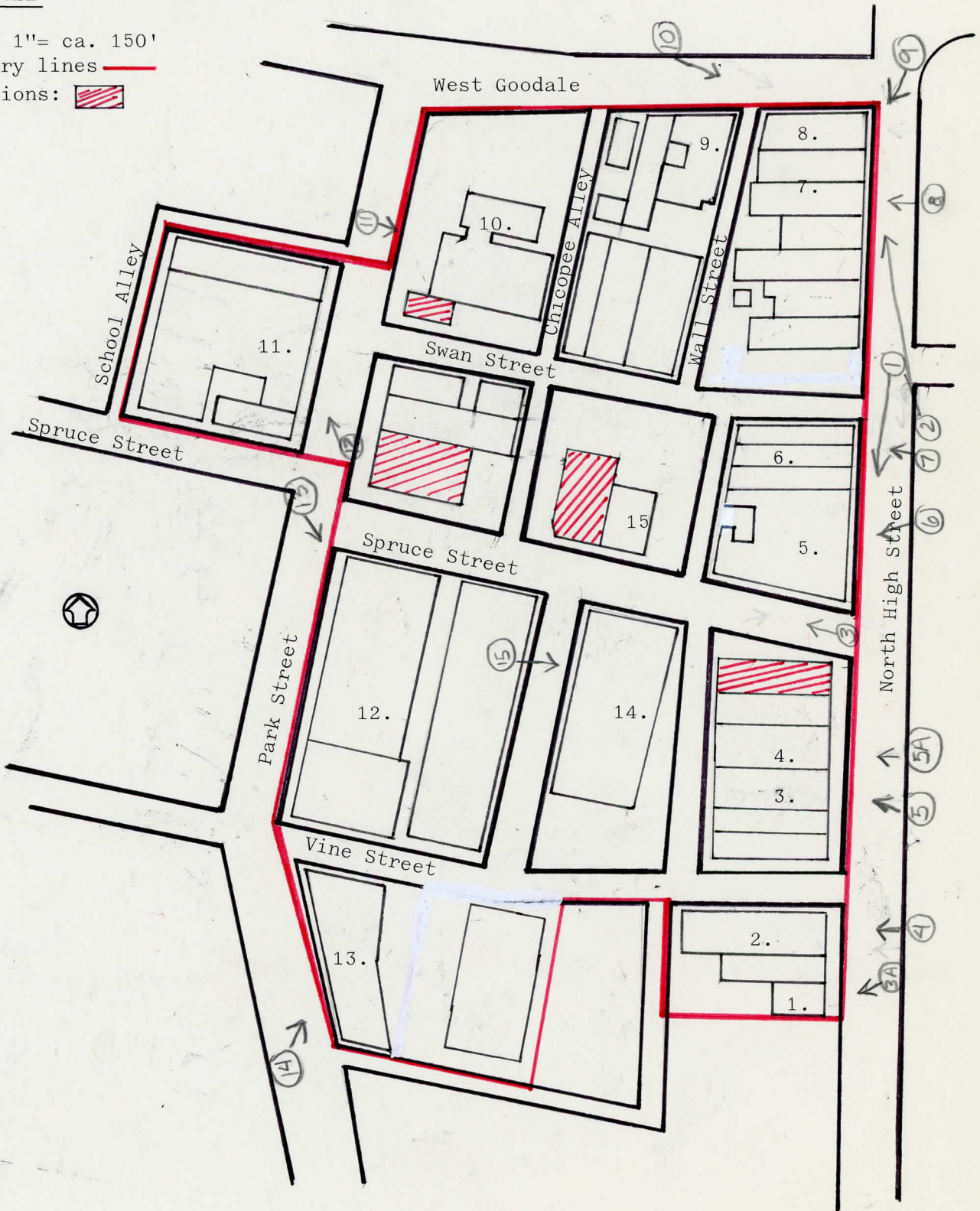
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DISTRICT MAP

Scale: 1" = ca. 150'

Boundary lines ———

Intrusions: 

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Substantive Review

NORTH MARKET HISTORIC DISTRICT
OH, Franklin

Working No. 3.3.82-571
Fed. Reg. Date: 2.7.84
Date Due: 1/2/83
Action: ☒ ACCEPT 12/30/82
☐ RETURN
☐ REJECT
Federal Agency:

- ☒ resubmission
☐ nomination by person or local government
☐ owner objection
☐ appeal

Substantive Review: ☒ sample ☐ request ☐ appeal ☐ NR decision

Reviewer's comments: Documentation does not fully answer all questions asked in 1st review, but district is shown to be cohesive and significant as area surrounding one of Columbus's historic markets and center of commerce + industry near railroad. See #7 comments

Recom./Criteria Accept A+C
Reviewer L McClelland
Discipline A. Hist
Date 12-30-82
☐ see continuation sheet

Nomination returned for: ☐ technical corrections cited below
☐ substantive reasons discussed below

1. Name

2. Location

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
	Public Acquisition	Accessible	

4. Owner of Property

5. Location of Legal Description

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

has this property been determined eligible? ☐ yes ☐ no

7. Description

Condition	Check one	Check one
☐ excellent	☐ deteriorated	☐ original site
☐ good	☐ ruins	☐ moved date
☐ fair	☐ unexposed	

Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

- ☒ summary paragraph
☒ completeness
☒ clarity
☒ alterations/integrity
☒ dates
☒ boundary selection

Dates for buildings 13+15 have not been given - these may not be historic. Further information (including dates) is needed to determine whether 13, 15, and 14 (market) could be considered contributing. District is eligible without this info.

8. Significance

Period _____ Area of Significance—Check and justify below

Specific dates _____ Builder/Architect _____

Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

- ☒ summary paragraph
- ☒ completeness
- ☒ clarity
- ☒ applicable criteria
- ☒ justification of areas checked
- ☒ relating significance to the resource
- ☒ context
- ☒ relationship of integrity to significance
- ☒ justification of exception
- ☐ other

less than 50 year old buildings, #14, and possibly 15 and 13, have not been shown to be exceptionally significant

9. Major Bibliographical References

10. Geographical Data

Average of nominated property _____

Quadrangle name _____

USGS Reference _____

Verbal boundary description and justification _____

11. Form Prepared By

12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification

The evaluated significance of this property within the state is:

____ national ____ state ____ local

State Historic Preservation Officer signature _____

Title _____ Date _____

13. Other

- ☐ Maps
- ☐ Photographs
- ☐ Other

Questions concerning this nomination may be directed to _____

Signed _____

Date _____

Phone: 202 272-3500

Comments for any item may be continued on an attached sheet



NORTH MARKET HISTORIC DISTRICT

Columbus, Franklin Co., Ohio

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Negative at Cols. Landmarks Fdn.

Streetscape, N. High St. looking S

toward Spruce St. (photo 1)



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Streetscape,N.High St looking

N. from Swan St. (Photo 2)



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Streetscape, Spruce St., looking W
from High St. (Photo 3)



NORTH MARKET HISTORIC DISTRICT
Columbus, Franklin Co., Ohio
Photo 1982 by David L. Taylor
Negative filed at Columbus Land-
marks Foundation, Columbus, Ohio
439 N.High St., showing intact
limestone storefront, upper stories
& unaltered cornice

Photo 3A



Franklin County, Ohio
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Carlile Building
445-447 N. High St.

AHKS Architects
960 Kingsmill Pkway
Columbus, Ohio

Nov. 1980

MAR 3 1982

Facade (East Elevation)

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NORTH MARKET HISTORIC DISTRICT
Columbus, Franklin Co., Ohio
Photo by David L. Taylor
Negative filed at Columbus Land-
marks Foundation, Columbus, Ohio
463 N.High St., showing 2-story
storefront, upper story window
treatment, & intact cornice with
sunburst panels.

Photo #5



FRANKLIN COUNTY, OHIO
NORTH MARKET HISTORIC DISTRICT

457-459 N. High Street

AHKS Architects
960 Kingsmill Parkway
Columbus, Ohio

Nov. 1980

Facade

Photo 45 A

MAR 3 1982



NORTH MARKET HISTORIC DISTRICT

Columbus, Franklin Co., Ohio

Photo by David L. Taylor, 1982

Negative at Cols. Landmarks Cndn.

Northern Hotel, High St. elevation

(Photo 6)



Franklin County, Ohio
North Market Historic District

Struble Block
509-513 N. High St.

AHKS Architects
960 Kingsmill Pkway
Columbus, Ohio

Nov. 1980

Facade (East Elevation)

MAR 3 1982

Photo 7

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NORTH MARKET HISTORIC DISTRICT
Columbus, Franklin Co., Ohio
Photo by David L.Taylor, 1982
Negative at Cols.Landmarks Fndn.
541-547 N.High St.showing metal
facade

(Photo 8)



NORTH MARKET HISTORIC DISTRICT
Columbus, Franklin Co., Ohio
Photo by David L.Taylor, 1982
Negative at Cols.Landmarks Fndn.
Streetscape,N.High St. looking S
from Goodale Ave. Mellman's Cafe
on Right (Photo 9)



NORTH MARKET HISTORIC DISTRICT

Columbus, Franklin Co., Ohio

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Negative at Cols.Landmarks Fndn.

Streetscape, Goodale Ave. looking
W from High-Riebel Bldg. in center,
with parapet gables.

(Photo 10)



Franklin County, Ohio
NORTH MARKET HISTORIC DISTRICT
GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH
Columbus, Ohio

Nancy Recchie
Columbus Landmarks Foundation

August 1980
Facade

MAR 3 1982

Photo 11



Franklin County, Ohio
NORTH MARKET HISTORIC DISTRICT
GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH

Columbus, Ohio

Nancy Recchie

Columbus Landmarks Foundation

August 1980

South addition MAR 3 1982

#11A



Franklin County, Ohio
NORTH MARKET HISTORIC DISTRICT
Park Street (west side)
Columbus, Ohio
Nancy Recchie
Columbus Landmarks Foundation
August 1980
Facing south

Photo 12

MAR 3 1982



NORTH MARKET HISTORIC DISTRICT

Columbus, Franklin Co., Ohio

Photo by David L. Taylor, 1982

Negative at Cols. Landmarks Fndn.

460-488 N. Park St. Warehouse, looking

S. toward downtown

(Photo 13)



Franklin County, Ohio
North Market Historic District

Southeast corner Park and Vine

AHKS Architects
960 Kingsmill Pkway
Columbus, Ohio

Nov. 1980

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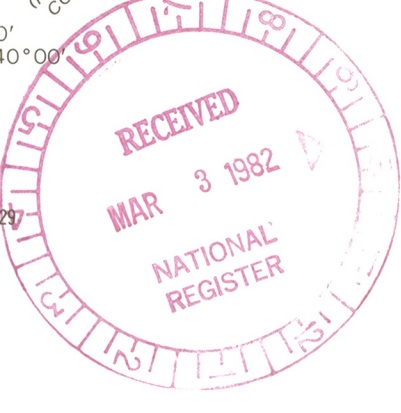
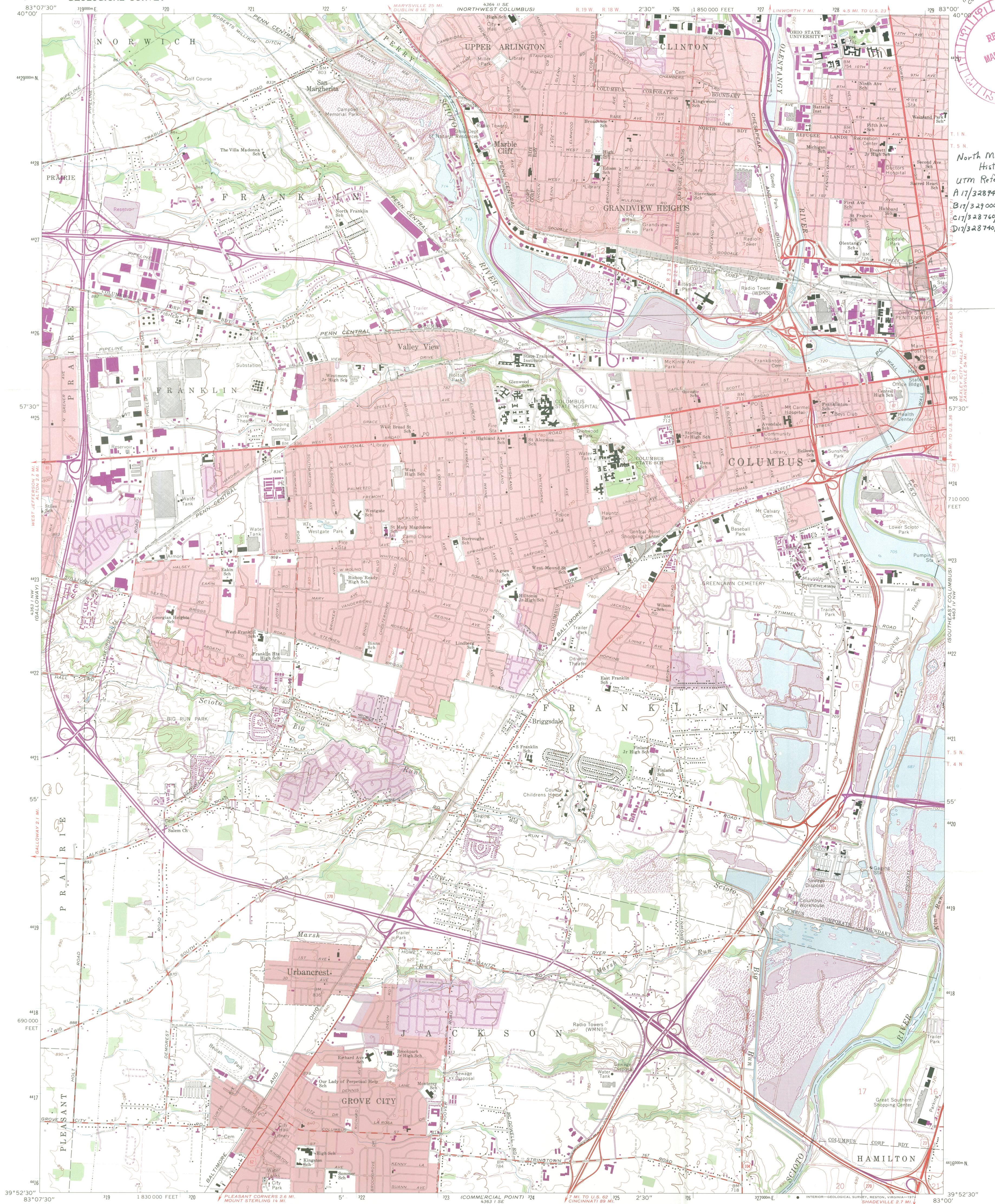
South and West Elevations

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Franklin County, Ohio
NORTH MARKET HISTORIC DISTRICT
NORTH MARKET BUILDING
Columbus, Ohio
Nancy Recchie
Columbus Landmarks Foundation
August 1980 **MAR 3 1982**
Facade & east elevation ~~#16~~
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North Market
Historic District
UTM Reference:
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D 17/328740/4426520

North Market Historic District, Franklin County



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Wears, Kahn, McMenemy & Co.
REAL ESTATE SINCE 1921

February 20, 1980

Ohio Historic Preservation Office
Ohio Historical Center
I-71 & 17th Avenue
Columbus, Ohio 43211

Dear Sirs:

I am humored by your acknowledgment that our property of Crossroads Holding Company on North High Street should be considered an historic landmark. This decrepit, old building does not represent the highest and best use nor does it represent an economically viable piece of real estate which would, in any way, be economic for any type of rehabilitation other than the wrecking ball.

Please consider that the owners of this property would not find it economically beneficial to them nor to the community that this property would be deemed an historic landmark.

Thanking you, I remain,

Sincerely,

Ken A. Wears

KAW/rm



Wears, Kahn, McMenemy & Co. 81 S. Fifth Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215 Tele. 614/228-6321

Firm or individual members of the National Association, Ohio Association, & Columbus Board of Realtors, Society of Industrial Realtors Institute of Real Estate Management & Columbus Mortgage Bankers Association

North Market Historic District, Franklin County
March 14, 1980

Xenia Ohio 45385
733 St. Rt. 380

Darrel F. Simmons
Historian and Manager
National Register Program

Dear Mr Simmons, I have your letter of February 11, 1980 concerning the premise, listed as 443-445 N High Street, Columbus, Ohio, as being nominated to the National Register of Historic places.

At this time I am unable to consent or give permission that such property be so registered. In recent years we have had several appraisals and evaluations made of these premises. We have been advised that a cost of renovating the property would be wholly uneconomical and unsound - further we simply do not have the capital to undertake the magnitude of the restoration which would be required. If you wish to visit the interior of the premise or obtain further information please let me know and I will be glad to co-operate.

Most Sincerely Yours,
Nathaniel C. Dinges





North Market Historic District, Franklin Co.

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COLUMBUS, OHIO 43215

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April 7, 1980

Mr. David A. Simmons
Historian and Manager
National Register Program
Ohio Historic Center
I-71 and 17th Avenue
Columbus, Ohio 43211

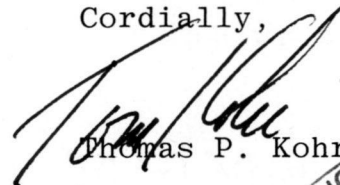
Re: 531-33 N. High Street
541 through 547 N. High Street
549 and 551 N. High Street
North Park and Swan Street
Columbus, Ohio

Dear Mr. Simmons:

Your letter concerning the possible listing of our properties on the National Register of Historic Places was received. We are definitely not interested in your proposition at this time. I am aware that the local architects group made a study for rehabilitation only of certain properties in the North Market District, but did not do any study in the other possible types of development for this neighborhood. The Landmark office, which is pushing this project, seems to have one interest only - preservation, and has not used its expertise in the area of broad land use or development.

This proposal should have a complete airing and considerable time involved for everything to season and be properly assessed.

Cordially,


Thomas P. Kohr

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NATIONWIDE DEVELOPMENT COMPANY

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April 17, 1980

Mr. David A. Simmons
Historian and Manager
National Register Program
1982 Velma Avenue
Columbus, Ohio 43211

Dear Mr. Simmons:

Re: Historic Preservation
North Market Area
537-539 N. High Street

We have studied your memo of February 11, 1980, and have talked with some of the other property owners in the North Market area. As a result of this activity, we encourage you to reschedule the deadline for comments now set at April 25, 1980.

The magnitude of this suggested program is so great that the property owners need more time to assess the opportunities provided by the Ohio Historic Preservation Office.

Thank you very much for your favorable consideration to this request.

Sincerely,

C. W. Fullerton
President

CWF/emh

cc: W. J. Cremean
T. P. Kohr



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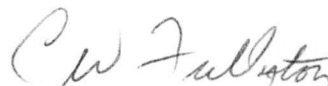
Mr. David L. Brook
State Historic Preservation Officer
Ohio Historic Preservation Office
Ohio Historical Center
I-71 & 17th Avenue
Columbus, Ohio 43211

Dear Mr. Brook:

Recently we received a notice from David A. Simmons indicating the possibility of the property at 537-539 North High Street being placed on the National Register maintained by the Department of the Interior.

This property, located at 537-539 North High Street, Columbus, Ohio, in our judgment, does not have historical character. Therefore, as the owner, we have no interest in pursuing the possibility or desirability of determining the eligibility of this property for the National Register, or having it included in the program of the Columbus Landmarks Foundation.

Sincerely,


C. W. Fullerton
President

CWF/emh

cc: James T. Foley
Vice Pres.-General Manager
Nationwide Development Co.

cc: David A. Simmons
Historian and Manager
National Register Program



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DR. WILLIAM J. ATHENS, INC.
OSTEOPATHIC FAMILY MEDICINE

April 23, 1980

David L. Brook
State Historic Preservation Officer
Ohio Historical Society
Columbus, Ohio 43211

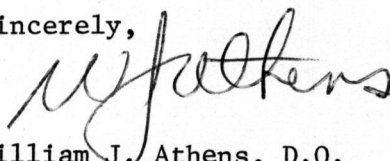
RE: Greek Orthodox Church

Dear Mr. Brook:

I was delighted to learn that the Greek Orthodox Church of Columbus, Ohio; The Annunciation, is being considered for nomination by the National Register of Historic Places. I shan't go into the long and glorious history of our church and the Greek descendants and their ancestry. You are probably quite familiar with this information.

I can think of nothing so precious in American history as to preserve this great historic landmark that represents a part of americana.

Sincerely,



William J. Athens, D.O.
Chairman Spiritual Education
and Service Committee

WJA/ea
Copy to:
Greek Orthodox Church

See Enclosure



TEL. TRAFALGAR 9-2060.1



GREEK ORTHODOX ARCHDIOCESE OF NORTH AND SOUTH AMERICA
ΙΕΡΑ ΑΡΧΙΕΠΙΣΚΟΠΗ ΒΟΡΕΙΟΥ ΚΑΙ ΝΟΤΙΟΥ ΑΜΕΡΙΚΗΣ
10 EAST 79TH STREET, NEW YORK 21, N. Y.

50th Golden Anniversary
Annunciation Greek Orthodox Church
536 North Park
Columbus 15, Ohio



My dear spiritual children:

It gives me great pleasure to extend my heartfelt congratulations and greetings to the Trustees, Officers and Members of your esteemed Community of the Annunciation in Columbus, Ohio on the occasion of your 50th Golden Anniversary.

You should be rightfully proud to be able to celebrate the 50 years of your existence as a faithful Community of our Church united in Orthodox Christian brotherhood and in your constructive endeavors.

Your accomplishments during this one-half century have been many and noteworthy and the progress you have made is great. However, your Golden Anniversary is a time for you to plan for the future as well as to take pride in your past. You must look ahead with firm conviction and steadfast faith in the future, and especially to prepare your younger members and generations for the task that lies before them: that of perpetuating our faith in accordance with our venerable ageless traditions, and with the best ideals of this great land which, like all civilized countries, owes so much to Hellenic thought and culture. An integral part of this has always been our Holy Greek Orthodox faith, and I am confident that as good Americans proud to be of Greek descent and members of our Church, you will work to add to the glory of our past by ensuring the progress of our future in your worthy Community.

With my blessings and best wishes to you all,

Paternally yours,

Archbishop Iakovos

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Archbishop of the Greek Orthodox
Church of North and South America

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RT. REV. DR. THEODOSIOS L. SIDERIS
BISHOP OF ANCONA

TELEPHONE MAYFLOWER 1-5529



GREEK ORTHODOX ARCHDIOCESE OF NORTH AND SOUTH AMERICA
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SIXTH ARCHDIOCESAN DISTRICT
5201 ELLSWORTH AVENUE
PITTSBURGH 32, PENNSYLVANIA

August 17, 1962

The Reverend Anthony P. Sarris, Pastor
Honorable Board of Trustees,
Annunciation Greek Orthodox Church
536 North Park Street
Columbus, Ohio

My dear Spiritual Children:

With great and heartfelt paternal joy, we were informed from your recent letter, that your blessed Community of the Annunciation of the Virgin Mary, will commemorate its Fiftieth Anniversary this year.

Our happiness is increased by the knowledge of the history and progress of your Community, which is a source of dynamic spiritual strength for the multitudes who worshiped and continue to worship in your church.

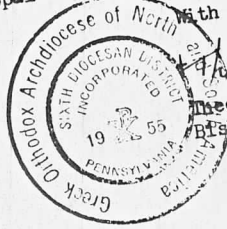
We understand and recognize the many sacrifices of the founding fathers and present members of your Community, in order for you to be able to reach this milestone in your history. For this reason we are most appreciative of your continued efforts for the future progress of your Church and School.

We urge you to continue in the traditions of our Holy Orthodox Church and Hellenic Culture, that we might be certain that our children, and our children's children will inherit the treasures of faith, handed down to us by our forefathers.

We congratulate you on this great occasion and bestow upon you our paternal and episcopal blessings.

With fervent prayers,

Theodosios
Theodosios
Bishop of Ancona at Pittsburgh, Pa.



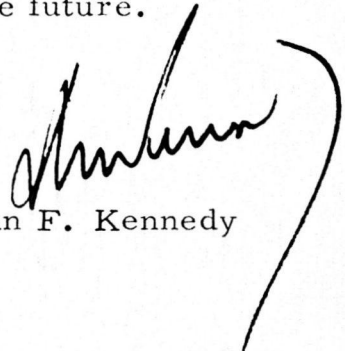
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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

I am very pleased to send greetings and congratulations on the occasion of the Fiftieth Anniversary of the founding of the Greek Orthodox Church of Columbus, Ohio. Yours has been the task of perpetuating and interpreting the legacy of your forefathers, thus enriching our spiritual resources.

We are very conscious of the debt we owe to the civilization of ancient Greece -- it has formed the basis for our political beliefs and moral ideals. Greek Orthodoxy fuses the Hellenic legacy to the Christian faith and can provide inspiration for the future.



John F. Kennedy

1962

MICHAEL V. DiSALLE
Governor of Ohio



MICHAEL V. DiSALLE
GOVERNOR

THE STATE OF OHIO
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
STATE HOUSE, COLUMBUS

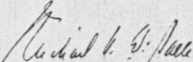
Greek Community of Central Ohio
Golden Anniversary Committee
536 North Park
Columbus 15, Ohio

On behalf of the people of the State of Ohio,
may I take this opportunity to extend my congratulations
on the occasion of the Fiftieth Anniversary of the Greek
Community of Central Ohio.

The wonderful record of service compiled by
the members of your Community is certainly a fine tribute
to those people who have guided it.

Again, my sincere congratulations on your
Golden Anniversary, and my very best wishes for continued
success and advancement.

Sincerely,


MICHAEL V. DiSALLE
Governor

1962

W. Ralston Westlake
Mayor of Columbus



Office of the Mayor
City of Columbus
Ohio

W. RALSTON WESTLAKE
MAYOR

July, 1962

It is with great pleasure that I offer congratulations to the Congregation of the Greek Orthodox Church "The Annunciation" on the occasion of the 50th Anniversary of the founding of the church.

It is fitting that in this, the Sesquicentennial year of Columbus, we pay tribute to those persons and institutions who have played such an important role in the city's development. The spiritual and material contributions made to the community by our neighbors and friends of the Greek Orthodox faith are immeasurable. The work of the church with the young people of our community is particularly noteworthy and for this we offer our sincere gratitude.

Devotion in faith and dedication to service have been major factors in the constant growth of the church over the past fifty years...I am certain these strengths in the years to come will continue to serve, unselfishly, the church and the community.

W. Ralston Westlake
W. Ralston Westlake

MAYOR



Rev. Fr. Anthony P. Sarris, Rector

GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH

"The Annunciation"

536 N. Park Street

Columbus 15, Ohio

1962



The Greek Community Of Central Ohio

no means a complete list, but only those names that were remembered at that time are listed. Any omissions or errors are unintentional.

(In the list below an asterisk indicates that person is deceased. The date indicates that person's arrival here, when known.)

The first Greek settler in these parts was Alexander Petrides*, 1899, followed by:

Emanuel Petropoulos*, 1907
William Petrakis, 1901
Louis Anast, 1905
Lambros Mandros*, 1903
Angel Freemas*, 1902
John Freemas*, 1903
Pete Freemas*, 1903
James Golemes*
Theodore Golemes*
George Tornick
George Tosheff*
William Chakeres*
Mike Naom*
John Roumeliote*
Tome Gianikos
Nick Chakeres*
Mrs. Christine Roumeliote, 1903
Anthony Zanetos, 1907
Peter Brown*, 1905
James J. Chakeres, 1903
John P. Prapas*, 1905
Michael Bouzon*, 1901
George Chirakis*
Deonesos Fantás*
Anthony Nelson*
George Golemes*, 1905
Deno Chakeres*
August Condas
James Cannell*
Gus Zaglanis*
Angel Alexopoulos

Special thanks also must go to **Mrs. George P. Brown**, who served as assistant to your General Chairman and to **Mrs. Peter Kanatas**, a most efficient secretary; also to the chairman and co-chairman of the main committees and to each member of the committees; to the Men's Executive Committee for their help and understanding during the process of compiling the history; and to each member of the Community who, in any way, contributed to the success of this effort. An extra word of praise goes to Mrs. Tom Saris for her unselfish devotion in this effort in reading all those difficult Greek minutes and translating them into English, and Mrs. George Lias for doing the same with the English minutes. This was a long and tedious task.

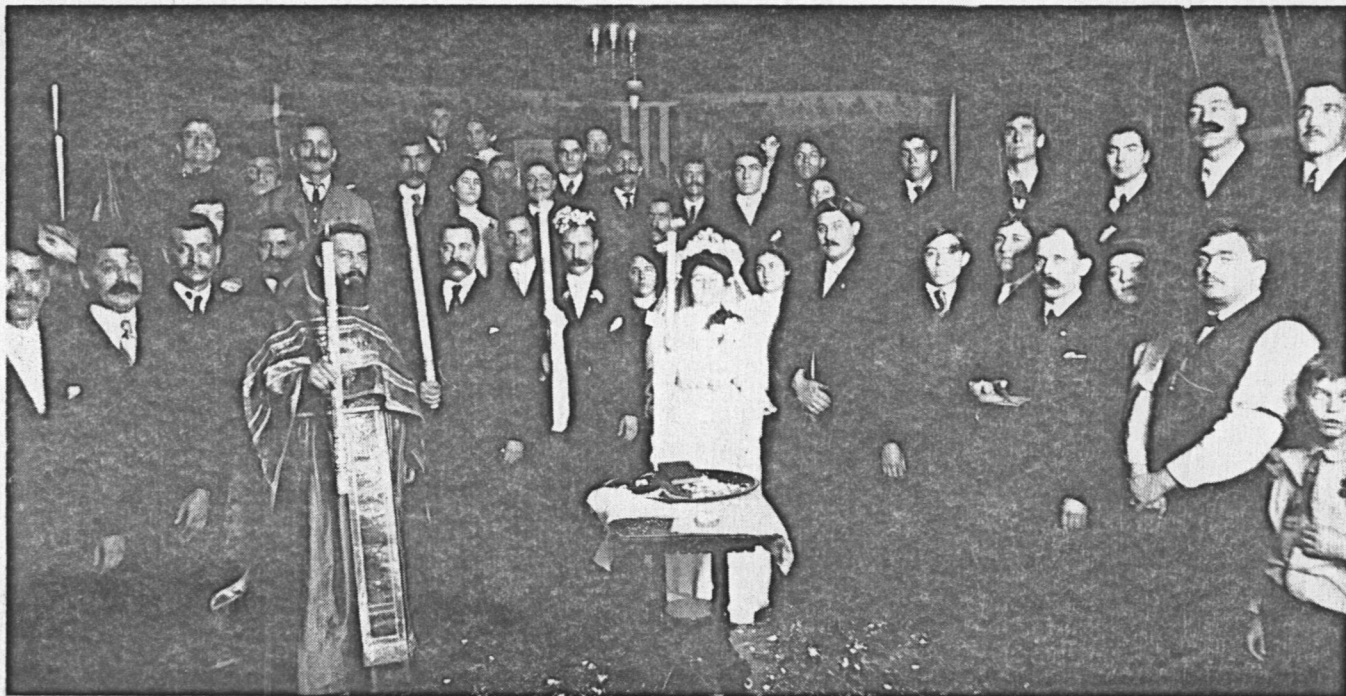
We hope this history will give the reader many moments of pleasure and recall the wonderful past, and if there are any omissions or errors we deeply regret it and repeat that they were unintentional.

Mary Chakeres Jameson (Mrs. George M.)
General Chairman of Women's Committees

The History

Toward the end of the 19th century large groups of Greek immigrants left their homeland to seek a more secure life in the United States. After establishing themselves in a certain area they began thinking in terms of their common bond — religion — and of their need of a church.

Facilities for a church being unavailable, services were held in temporary quarters whenever the "itinerate priest" came to town. One such service took place on Monday, January 22, 1906, when Columbus witnessed its first Greek wedding. Miss Christina Freemas became the bride of John J. Roumeliote of Terre Haute, Indiana. The Reverend Ambrosios Mandilaris of Chicago, Illinois, one of the few Greek priests of America at that time,



The first Greek wedding took place in the Community on January 22, 1906. Pictured are John Roumeliote and

Christina Freemas with the wedding party and the guests who attended the ceremony.

performed the ceremony in Hunt's Hall on North High Street.

Two brothers from the island of Andros were believed to be the first Greek citizens of Athens, Ohio. Tony and John Teflis, as far as can be ascertained, came to Athens, Ohio, in the early part of the century.

On or about this time, Mr. and Mrs. Pete Aslanides were the first Greek family to make their home in Athens.

During the year of 1910, the Greek people of Columbus organized so that they might establish a Greek Orthodox Church. Officers were elected and the first president of these newly-organized Greeks was Lambros Mandros.

On March 7, 1910, the Columbus community, the first in Ohio, was granted a charter by the State of Ohio and was known as "Greek Orthodox Church, EVANGELISMOS TIS THEOTOKOU." The charter was signed in this order:

Lambros Mandros*
Charles Makris
Angel Alexopoulos
Anthony Zanetos
Louis Anast

At the time the charter was granted, services were held in a building at the southeast corner of Long and High Streets, and in March, 1913, members of the community rented the old Masonic Temple at 186 South Third Street for the sum of \$25.00 a month. Prior to this time, church services were conducted by the itinerate priests, but in the spring of 1913 the first permanent priest of the new church community arrived.

The Reverend Nathaniel Sideris began the first regular services and that same year — 1913 — it was decided to hold elections for officers of the new community. At that time the Greek community of Columbus consisted of about 25 to 30 families, and many Greek bachelors and

very young men who were employed by the railroad.

The Election Committee decided to permit every Greek person in the community to vote, with the provision that each person pay \$1.00 in order to vote. Each nominee for the Board of Trustees had to pay \$5.00, and those nominated for president, \$10.00. It was agreed that the officers and the Board of Trustees be elected by the voters.

During these early years the Greek people of Columbus were divided into two parties and both parties wanted to be in power. The leader of the one party was Angel Freemas and the leader of the other was Lambros Mandros. The former party nominated Angel Freemas for president, while the latter nominated Anthony Zanetos.

Elections were held at the church. They began at ten o'clock in the morning and lasted until six o'clock the following morning — almost twenty hours. Approximately 150 persons voted and nearly \$500.00 was collected. Excitement was so great that the Election Committee thought it best to hire two police officers to keep order and see that proper procedure was followed. Angel Freemas was elected the first president of the Greek Community of Columbus, Ohio.

Beginning in 1914, the Greek people realized the need for a permanent place of worship and began discussing the financial aspects of building a church. For five years there were discussions and committees were appointed. No tangible progress was made until the fall of 1919 when the Board of Trustees ruled that members of the church pay annual dues. This money would help in purchasing two pieces of property on North Park Street which had finally been decided upon as the location of the new church. The great impetus for the decision was the gift of \$15,000 in the will of Michael Bouzon, a prominent and devoted member of the community, who passed away at this time. The express purpose of this gift was the building of a Greek Orthodox Church within a

specified period of time or the money would go to a hospital in Athens, Greece.

At the end of World War I, the Greek Community joined in the victory celebration, with special meaning placed upon the Greek nation's own war of independence.

The following item appeared in the Columbus Dispatch for April 6, 1919:

GREEK COMMUNITY OF COLUMBUS TO CELEBRATE ANNIVERSARY OF WAR FOR INDEPENDENCE.

A telegram sent to President Wilson in Paris, France, asking the American delegates at the Peace Conference to work for the freedom of all men of Grecian blood.

The anniversary will be celebrated of the victory resulting from the Greek War of Independence by the Greek Community of Columbus, Ohio, on Monday at the Greek Church, 186 South Third St.

The telegram was signed by:

Mayor Karl

Milton W. Westlake, President of City Council

Senators Jones and Lloyd

Henry A. Williams, President Chamber of Commerce

Rev. Haralampos Adriopulos, Priest of the Community

A. J. Freemans, President of the Community

James Kouropoulos, Secretary of the Community

On May 1, 1919, the following men were named to the first Board of Trustees of the Greek Orthodox Church.

the Annunciation:

Angel Freemans*

William Chakeres*

K. B. Pappanikolaou

Peter Brown*

Nick Coumanter*

Louis Anast

D. Petrides

Nick A. Chakeres*

*indicates deceased

The first wedding held in the new church was that of Mr. & Mrs. George Petess on May 21, 1922. Six months later they donated a bell for the tower. This bell proved to be too small so they purchased a larger bell in 1921, which is still in use.

Grateful to the late Mr. Bouzon for his generosity, the community declared that May 21, 1920, be known as Historic Day, because of the bequest of Michael Bouzon the community had been able to purchase lots 536 and 542 on North Park Street, with two houses on them for \$16,000.

At the time the ground-breaking ceremonies for the new church were held, the church's treasury amounted to \$8,000. Ten thousand dollars was borrowed from Columbian Building and Loan, with all the members of the Board signing personal notes, as the banks did not loan money to churches at that time. In addition to the bank loans, two fund-raising campaigns were conducted — one in Columbus, and one in neighboring central Ohio towns, which enabled the church to be completed. The chandeliers, icons, altar, holy lights, Bishop's Throne, church bells, windows, etc., were all donated by the Greek people of the area.

Plans for the new church had been drawn up by an architect from New York — Mr. Katcharis — for the sum of \$500. In order to save money the Board of Trustees decided to supervise the building program themselves and a contractor was hired to oversee the work.

Of invaluable service to the community during this construction period was the priest, The Reverend Kirillos Georgiades. He handled the financial affairs of the church, paying the laborers, purchasing materials and keeping the books for the new building. In addition to all this, the Board of Trustees decided in July, 1920, to start a community Greek School with Father Georgiades as the teacher. This was also the beginning of what we now know as Sunday school, since religion was one of the main subjects of the Greek School program. The tuition was from two to five dollars depending upon the number of children in a family attending classes. Father Georgiades salary was \$110 a month plus \$40 for teaching Greek school.

The dreams and plans of the early immigrants came true on March 25, 1922, when the Greek Orthodox Church, the Annunciation, was completed. The first service was held in the new church on Palm Sunday, March 27, 1922, with Reverend Georgiades chanting the Divine Liturgy.

The Officers and Board of Trustees during the construction of the church were:

President—Angel Freemans*

Vice President—Louis Anast

Treasurer—Emanuel Petropoulos*

Secretary—The Rev. Kirillos Georgiades*

Board Members—Peter Kallantzopoulos*

(Brown), Anthony Zanetos, Angelo

Georgekokopoulos, Michael Naum*, Pro-

copios Zaharopoulos.

In 1927, five years after the opening of the new church, Reverend Georgiades organized the women of the community into the organization Elpis for the purpose of



This building, now occupied by the Third Street Mission, was the first Church of "The Annunciation." Located at 186 South Third Street, the building was rented from the Masons. Regular church services were begun here in 1913 and continued until it was replaced by the present building on North Park Street.



A Greek play, "The Slave," was presented by the Greek Community at the YMCA on December 10, 1933. Directing

the production was Mrs. Elvira Triffon. The cast is shown above on the set.

assisting the church in any way necessary and also to create fellowship. One of the first big projects of this group was the presenting of the drama, Golfo, under the direction of Greek actor Kotopouli, at the Y.M.C.A. This was the forerunner of many Greek dramas and comedies they gave to an eager community. When Mr. Kotopouli left, Mrs. Elvira Triffon,* a Greek school teacher in later years, directed the plays and school events.

Father Georgiades, who had done so much to help the new church through its formative years, retired in 1929 and the Board of Trustees, grateful to its unselfish and untiring priest, voted a pension of \$50 a month to him. In February of 1929, the new priest, Archimandrite Methodios Fousanis, arrived to take over his duties.

Another important step was taken by some members of the community in these very important formative years. A group of men, realizing the importance of fostering and learning the language and customs of their new homeland, petitioned the A.H.E.P.A., The American Hellenic Education and Progressive Association, (whose express purpose this was) for a charter and received it on July 13, 1928. Its first president was Anthony Nelson.* Unfortunately, a fire razed the building in which the Ahepa met, so that their records were lost.

On the other hand, the people also wanted to preserve the beauty and culture of their homeland, so on August 25, 1929, the Phoenix Lodge of the Greek-American Progressive Association was established in Columbus with its first president being John J. Roumeliote.* The objectives of the G.A.P.A. assured the people that the Greek language and customs could be preserved. One of their past presidents, Constantine Rorris, eventually became Supreme President in 1960-1961.

Both organizations have supported the church since their inception, and have been of invaluable assistance in financial and community affairs.

By 1931 the Phoenix Lodge welcomed its women's

auxiliary, Doxa Lodge, with Mrs. John Duros as the first president.

Although the records of our church indicate that on August 4, 1924, a choir sang acapella under the direction of the Rev. Georgiades, there is no record of the members of this choir. The first "official" choir began in the late summer of 1931 under the direction of Gus Karamichael, who was also the Greek School teacher, succeeding Mr. Kouropoulos.

The first official choir members were:

Jeanette Deonesis (Saris)
 Anna Roumeliote (Pappas)
 Bessie Karres
 Mary Karres (Andrews)
 Helen Prapas (Kanas)
 Theresa Kanas (Giokaris)
 Helen Vayian (Lambros)
 Ethel D'Fantis
 Lula Zaglanis (Leakas)
 Amelia Coumader (Politis)
 Georgia Roumeliote (Mattingly)
 Kathryn Anast (Bovim)
 Esther Brown (Sakelariou)
 Mary Kapralos
 Amelia J. Chakeres (Ervin)
 Erasmia Kussurelis*
 Bernice Polis*
 Mary J. Chakeres (Jameson)

In 1933 new hymn books and chairs were purchased for the choir loft, and a beautiful pipe organ was donated by George Pekras when the Rivoli theater was razed. The choir is now a member of the Tri-State Federation of Greek Orthodox Church choirs.

The month of August, 1934, was a busy one for the Greek Community. Centuries-old pageantry marked the official dedication of the Annunciation Greek Orthodox Church on August 19, when Archbishop of North and

South America, Athenagoras, now Patriarch of Constantinople, chanted the Holy Liturgy assisted by Rev. George Diodoredis. The church, completed in 1922, had waited twelve years for the coming of the ecclesiastical head of the Orthodox Church for the occasion. To even further commemorate the great day a tree was planted in the Ohio State House yard honoring the Greek-American boys of World War I. A picnic at Olentangy Park completed the day's festivities, which was also a pre-event of the opening of the 11th National Convention of the Ahepa in Columbus.

On August 15, 1934, the first initiation of the Daughters of Penelope, the Ahepa auxiliary, was held at the Deshler-Wallick Hotel. Mrs. John Caronis served as the first president of Penelope Chapter Number 15.

The following August, 1935, Archimandrite Stephen Lavriotis arrived to serve the growing community and on Palm Sunday, March 1, 1936, he reorganized the Elpis Society into The Greek Ladies Philoptochos Society of the Annunciation Church. They were to help the sick and poor and do any philanthropy that was needed in the area.

Charter Board members elected on this day were:
President—Mrs. Peter Brown*

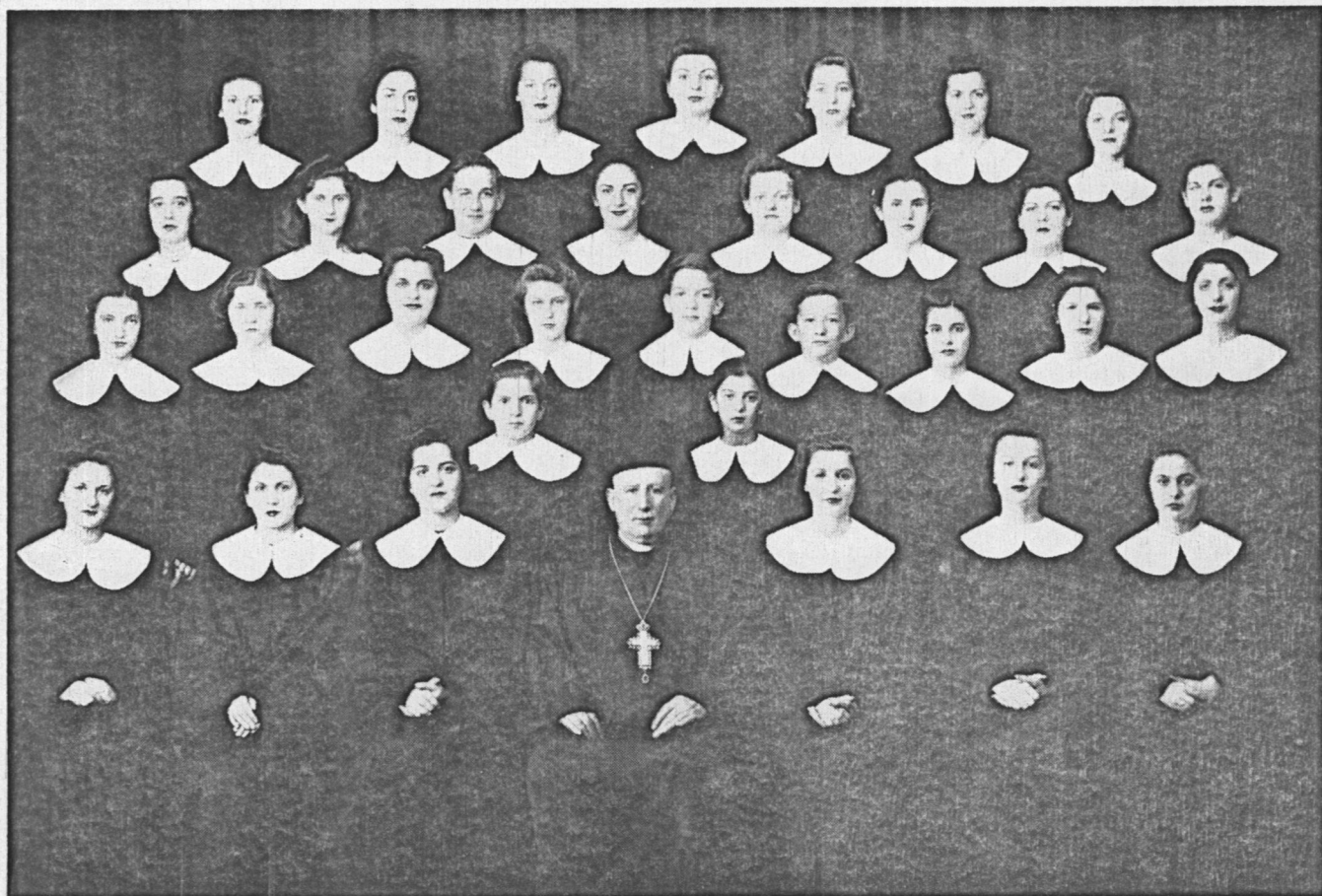
Mrs. George Vayian	Mrs. George Pappas
Mrs. Michael Genoozis*	Mrs. Tom Pathis
Mrs. August Condas	Mrs. John Duros
Mrs. Peter Caronis	Mrs. George C. Chakeres

Charter members of the Philoptochos Society of this date were:

Mrs. Nick Chakeres	Mrs. James J. Chakeres*
Mrs. Anthony Zanetos	Mrs. John Roumeliote
Mrs. Gus Zaglanis	Mrs. Louis Anast
Mrs. William Tornik	Mrs. James Skufis
Mrs. Tom Genoozis	Mrs. John Prapas
Mrs. William Chakeres	Mrs. Alex Bleas
Mrs. Tom Paul	Mrs. Louis Stravrides
Mrs. Peter Skufis	Mrs. Theodore Kanatas
Mrs. Nick Coumanter	Mrs. William Cannell
Mrs. Louis Chase	Mrs. Paul Deonesos
Mrs. Thomas Greenzalis	Mrs. James Tertegas
Mrs. John Georgiton*	Mrs. John Pappas
Mrs. James Demos	Mrs. Gus Vetel
Mrs. Peter Karres*	

Under the leadership and guidance of Father Lavriotis, the Philoptochos Society had an excellent beginning in our community. On May 19, 1936, they celebrated Mother's Day for the first time by presenting a play. On May 28, the chapter honored Dr. C. H. Solomonides for his many charitable services to the community. The next month a bazaar and bingo were given and the first basket picnic was held at Franklin Park on July 30, 1936. The first Vasilopita was held on January 3, 1936, for the benefit of the Archidose Orphanage.

An interesting fact is that males joined the society in



One of the early Greek choirs is shown above in a picture taken on October 14, 1939. The pastor, Archimandrite

Stephen Lavriotis, is seated in the center of the first row.

October, 1936, although they do not participate in the elections. These men were Peter Brown, Harry Kussurelis and Harry Spiropoulos.

The war years came and with it the Greek War Relief. On November 3, 1940, a Contributions Committee was appointed to collect money to help Greece, which was at war as a partner with the great powers, later to become one of Allies with the United States.

Governor John Bricker proclaimed the week of March 20 to 25, 1941, as Greek War Relief Week. In October, 1941, the Church held special services for "Independence Day" of Greece and a collection of \$323.66 was made and sent to Greek War Relief.

Three years after the founding of the Philoptochos, in April, 1939, the Community purchased the building just south of the Church for \$4,750 to be used as a Greek School and Sunday school.

Our new priest, Father George Zoganas, arrived in 1948 to give spiritual leadership to our community, which had maintained itself through those trying war years. As the community grew in population, so grew its need for a community center with adequate facilities for its young people. Plans for a center were begun in the fall of 1950 with Anthony Nelson serving as chairman of the building committee, and Harry Kussurelis, president of the community at this time. Due to the tremendous enthusiasm and response from the parishioners, the Hellenic Community Center was completed and dedicated in October, 1951 with Bishop Olympou officiating, assisted by Father Zoganas. It was built on the site of the old Greek School and Sunday school building just south of the church.

Due to the demands which the new building placed upon its members for financial support for its operation, a group of energetic young men organized the "Big Brothers" in November of 1951. Their purpose was fellow-



Many will remember the groundbreaking ceremonies for the Hellenic Community Center in September, 1950. From left to right are Gus Rorris, Anthony J. Nelson*, The Reverend George Zoganas, James A. Rhodes, then mayor of Columbus, Harry Kussurelis, and James Tertegas.



This picture, taken in 1951, shows Mrs. George D. Chakeres presenting a check for \$2,000 for the Community Center to Harry Kussurelis on behalf of Philoptochos, of which she was President. Father Zoganas looks on. Mr. Kussurelis was then president of the Community.

ship for the men of the community. Dr. George M. Jameson was elected their first president. Gus Chakeres, secretary, and John Sarios, treasurer. The Big Brothers served the community by catering weddings and receptions, entertained the community by producing variety shows, gave benefit dances, and cooked and served the first Fish Fry on February 7, 1951. They also conducted a drive for the pews which were installed in 1951.

These post-war years of hard work created an increased awareness of the place of the Church and its activities in the lives of the Community. Father Zoganas encouraged the people to participate more fully. The Greek school enrollment increased and a Parent Teachers Association was formed to help the program in any way necessary.

In October, 1953, Father Paul Economides was sent to our Community as our new priest. Under his leadership, guidance, and foresight the years of great progress began. Our Church was redecorated and refurbished in the true Byzantine manner. A German artist, Mr. Lamens, was commissioned to do the interior, resulting in the beautiful gold color scheme, the breathtaking beauty of the icon behind the altar and the unusual ceiling with its angels and clouds. This was done at a cost of \$8000, which was financed by Philoptochos. The altar was rebuilt and redesigned, as were the chanters' station and the new pulpit. A sound system was installed. Donations by mem-



Church families and friends gathered for the groundbreaking ceremonies of the Hellenic Community Center in September, 1950, above. Another memorable occasion marked dedication of a Memorial Plaque to the memory of those who

lost their lives in World War II. At the ceremony November 12, 1961, pictured below, are Rev. Fr. Paul G. Economides, Rector, Thomas T. Kanatas, president of the Church Board of Trustees, left, and Spiro Bleas, center.





Pictured above are the first members who formed the Big Brothers Organization at the Church. Dr. George M. Jame-

son, their first president, is shown seated second from right.



His Eminence, Ezekiel, now Archbishop of Australia, is shown above as he visited Columbus in 1955 for the dedication of St. Catherine's Chapel. At that time, His Eminence was Bishop of Chicago.

bers of the Church made many of these improvements possible.

The year 1955 brought another step forward in the growing Church. The property north of the Church was purchased for future needs and the lower level of the Church building was remodeled and redecorated into a small chapel and more class rooms. Another dream came true on November 19 and 20, 1955, when St. Catherine's Chapel was blessed by Bishop Ezekial of Chicago, assisted by Father Economides.

Our Community was very fortunate to have had a Sunday School on a small scale from the early years of the Church, although it was not formally organized until after the dedication of St. Catherine's Chapel. With these facilities at hand, approximately 200 children receive spiritual training under the guidance of the priest and the mother teachers.

The Sixth Diocesan District was established at Pittsburgh, Pa. in July, 1956, to unify and control the Philoptochos Societies of the various communities. Mrs. Tom Saris was elected charter Board member. Our Philoptochos Society also became a member of the United Church Council of Women. Quite a memorable event occurred on November 4, 1960, when the United Council of Churches held their annual luncheon at our Church followed by a meeting with 200 women attending.

A Coffee Hour following regular Church Services was introduced on August 6, 1956. Each organization was asked to donate \$50 a year to the Coffee Hour and to serve as host in rotation. This social hour proved to be quite a success and all those attending Church enjoy the fellowship it affords.

The 25th anniversary of the founding* of the Philoptochos was celebrated on March 21, 1961, by honoring its charter members.

A scroll was presented to each member or their family

to commemorate the day.

The Church welcomed its Junior and Youth Choirs on July 27, 1961. Composed of forty-four members, the choirs were founded by and are under the direction of Mrs. Tom Saris. The purpose of these choirs is to train and prepare the young people to become members of the Senior Choir and to better know and understand the Liturgy and special hymns for the feast days.

A belated event finally came to its rightful fulfillment on November 12, 1961, when a memorial monument and plaque was completed and dedicated at the north front of the Church, commemorating the boys of our community who gave their lives for their Country during World War II. Appearing on the plaque are the names:

Anthony Genoozis*

Chris Kanatas*

Stephen L. Rollis*

John G. Steffens*

Among the dignitaries attending the ceremonies were Mark McElroy, Attorney General of Ohio, the representative of the Greek Consulate of Chicago, and an honor guard from Lockbourne Air Force Base. Thomas Kanatas, president of the Community, and Spiro Bleas, chairman of the event, placed a wreath at the foot of the monument

following special prayers by Father Economides, assisted by the Altar boys and the Senior Choir. A rifle salute followed by taps closed the affair.

The Greek community now looked forward to the holidays as the end of the year came. Fifty years, a short time in history, but a long and full period in the memory of the Greek people of Columbus, and the surrounding community. Our older members will look back with nostalgia and pride, our second generation with admiration and pride, and our third generation growing up now with love and respect for those "old timers" who came, and with the grace of God, contributed to the wonderful Greek Community of and around central Ohio.

The second fifty years of the Church and Community have started under the spiritual guidance of Father Anthony J. Sarris and a thriving parish of approximately 350 to 400 families.

We are born day after day.

In what is past we have no more a part.

The hours of yesterday — mere aliens they.

Today our future life afresh we start.

Palladas

Poet of Alexandria, 400 A.D.

*indicates those who are deceased.

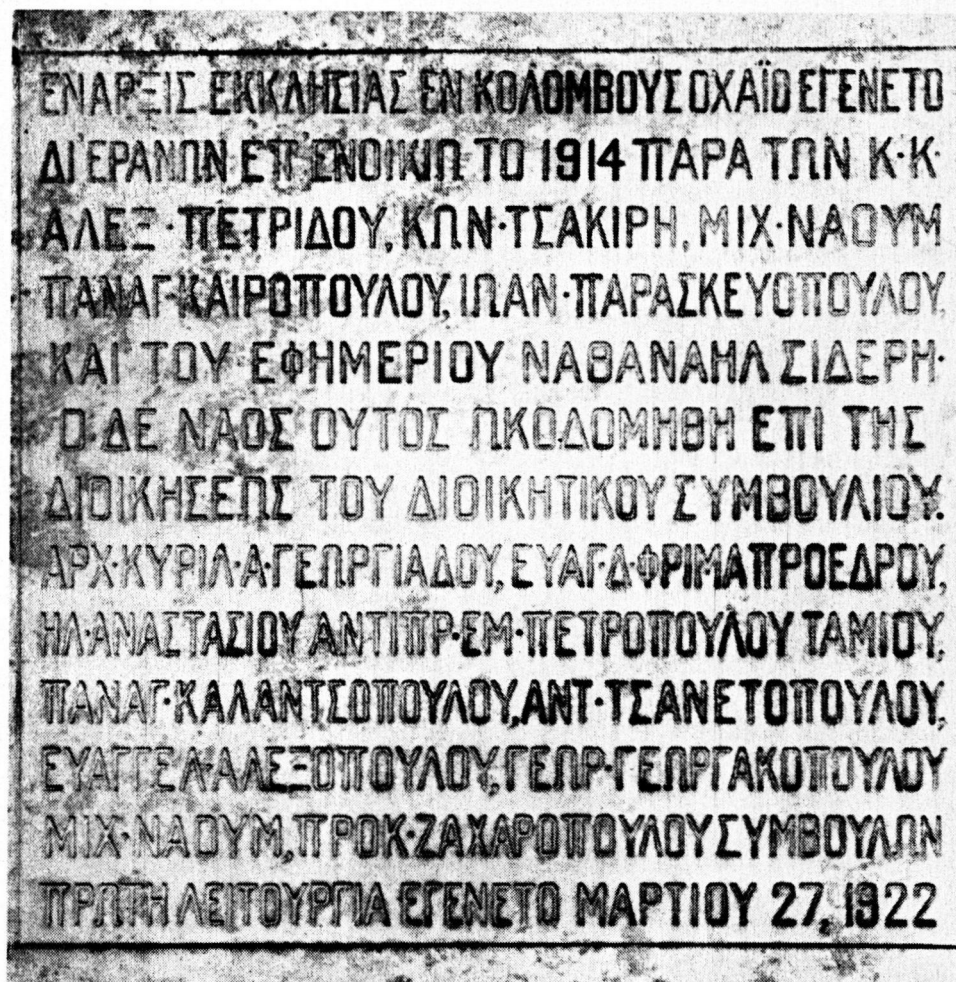
This message appears on the cornerstone of the present church. The English translation follows:

The beginning of sponsoring the establishment of the church of Columbus, Ohio, was initiated by a fund drive for a rental area for use of church services in 1914 by Alex Petrides, Deno Chakeres, Michael Naoum, Peter Karres, John Paraskeuopoulos (Pappas) and the Pastor Rev. Nathaniel Sideris.

The present church was erected in 1922 during the tenure of office of the following council:

Pastor Rev. Cyril Georgiades
Angelo Freemas, President
Louis Anast, Vice President
Manuel Petropoulcs, Treasurer
Peter, Kalantzopoulos (Brown),
Anthony Zanetos, Angelo Alex-
opoulos, George Georgeakopou-
los, Michael Naoum, Prok. Za-
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First Liturgy celebrated March 27,
1922





April 30, 1980

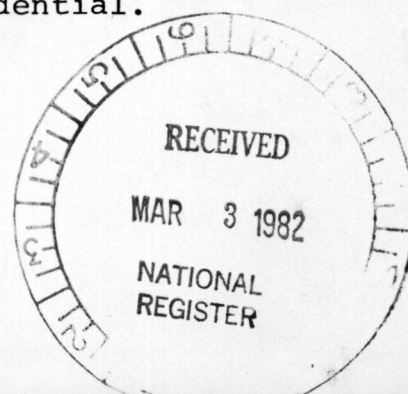
Mr. Richard Warthen
Columbus Department of Development
140 Marconi Blvd.
Columbus, Ohio 43215

Dear Mr. Warthen:

I have reviewed the letter prepared by Gretchen Klimoski of the Ohio Historic Preservation Office regarding the potential for residential development in the North Market Area.

I agree with Ms. Klimoski regarding the potential for residential development in the North Market Area. However, several limiting factors were taken into consideration when we prepared our report.

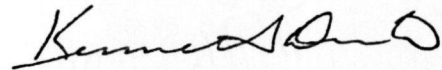
1. It is our opinion that the potential for developing significant residential facilities in the Study Area would be more appropriately developed after redevelopment momentum has been generated by office and commercial interests in the area. Typically, office and commercial facilities are more appropriately utilized for pioneering components in this type of redevelopment area. Residential redevelopment, especially market rate, is more likely to develop after momentum has been established. Subsidized housing could be marketed earlier in the redevelopment process.
2. Upon inspection of the buildings in the North Market Area, it was our impression that there is very little permanent housing in the area. Most apartments along North High Street that are located over commercial space tend to be very transient in nature. Interviews with building owners verify this observation. The more permanent housing located along Goodale Street has been recommended to remain residential.



3. Conversations with Mr. Del Harder and Mr. George Kane of AHKS Architects/Planners indicated there would be higher rehabilitation costs when mixing commercial and residential use in the same structure. I understand this is primarily a result of fire code compliance.
4. The median age of shoppers in the North Market Area is indeed between 55 and 64 and most shop there two or more times a week. However, since there is no Primary Effective Market Area reflecting the North Market Study Area, this profile is more representative of shoppers attracted to the market than representative of the immediate North Market Area. The map included in the report would indicate that shoppers supporting the North Market would be very mobile.

Mr. Warthen, I hope this brief response is adequate. If you have any other questions, please let me know.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Kenneth Danter", written in dark ink.

Kenneth Danter

KD/tm

cc: George Kane

Ohio Historic Preservation Office

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

May 6, 1980

Ms. Katherine C. Donges
733 State Route 380
Xenia, Ohio 45385

Dear Ms. Donges:

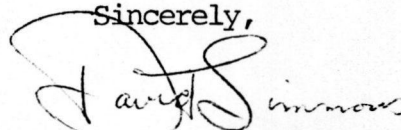
Thank you for your letter regarding your property in the proposed North Market Historic District in Columbus. I have delayed responding to your letter until I could report on the state review board action.

The Board received a copy of your letter for review at their April 25 meeting. Since confusion had arisen within the Department of Development regarding the exact boundaries of what was being nominated, the Board tabled final action on the nomination until the June 6 meeting.

We appreciate learning of your concerns about the property. As the enclosures included in the original letter indicate, the National Register of Historic Places have tax incentives which would probably alter the earlier evaluations that were made for your property. In addition, this office has been involved in the funding of a detailed feasibility study of the potential reuse of the North Market area. Information on this study can be obtained from the Columbus Landmarks Foundation, 22 North Front Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215 (phone: 614-221-0227).

Please let me know if I can answer any questions.

Sincerely,



David A. Simmons
Historian and Manager
National Register Program

DAS:jb

X.c: Nancy Recchie





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May 8, 1980

The Honorable Tom Moody
Mayor of Columbus
City Hall
Columbus, Ohio 43215

Dear Mayor Moody:

In response to the letter of May 6, 1980 from the Ohio Historic Preservation Office, I would like to respond as one of the property owners in the North Market Historic District. It is my personal opinion that to designate an entire or a partial area as a historic district would be damaging, not only to the property owners within that district, but would also deter the economic value which can and will be created in that area within the future two years.

As one of the property owners, I would like to go on record with you, as well as the Ohio Historic Preservation Office as opposing any and all total or individual listings with the Ohio Historic Preservation Office without prior acceptance by those property owners within those areas.

Thanking you for your consideration in this matter, I remain,

Sincerely yours,

Ken A. Wears, S.I.R., C.P.M.

KAW/rm

cc: Ohio Historic Preservation Office



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The City of Columbus
Mayor Tom Moody

Department of Development
140 Marconi Boulevard
Columbus, Ohio 43215

Director N. Jack Huddle
614-222-7763

June 6, 1980

Mr. David L. Brook
Ohio Historic Preservation Officer
Ohio Historic Preservation Office
1-71 and 17th Avenue
Columbus, Ohio 43211



Dear Mr. Brook:

I am writing to express our serious concern with actions and statements made by your staff regarding the April 25, 1980 tabling of the North Market Historict District nomination by the Ohio Historic Site Preservation Advisory Board.

On February 19, 1980 we received from Mr. David A. Simmons of your office a package of notifications for properties in the North Market area which were to be nominated to the National Register of Historic Places. Upon reviewing these materials we discovered that you had notified us incorrectly as the property owners of Lot 25, 40-52 Spruce Street which the City does not own, and had not notified us regarding the City-owned North Market building. We contacted Mr. Simmons prior to the Board meeting and informed him of these errors. At that time we provided Mr. Simmons with the correct owner's name and mailing address for Lot 25, 40-52 Spruce Street and the correct address for the North Market building. It was our understanding that the corrections would be made promptly and all owners would be sent proper notification.

On May 9, 1980 we received a letter from Mr. Simmons with a copy of the National Register nomination form attached. The letter stated that the Board had tabled the nomination until June 6, 1980 due to confusion within the Development Department. The nomination form described the North Market as the central focus of the area but the attached map showed it replaced by a "Northmarket Square". We sent Mr. Simmons a letter on May 13, 1980 pointing out that we had discovered the notification errors, not caused them, and that we had aided in correcting them. We also pointed out that the City had not received notification about the status of the North Market building.

On May 28, 1980 we received a letter from a property owner in the North Market area notifying us that he had been sent a copy of Mr. Simmons letter attributing the tabling to confusion in the Development Department. Also on this date we received a second incorrect notification from Mr. Simmons regarding Lot 25, 40-52 Spruce Street.

*Copy of 1st letter
sent at their
request by me.
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Mr. David L. Brook
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On June 2, 1980 Ms. Nancy Recchie, Regional Preservation Officer, stated before Columbus City Council and the news media that we should have notified her of a demolition permit for a building in the North Market area since the Historic District nomination had been tabled at our request. Later that evening Channel 4 News broadcast that the Development Department had delayed the nomination so that the building could be demolished.

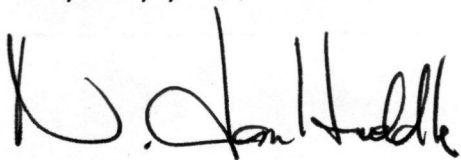
they were confused - they requested info/clarification

The following morning we contacted Mr. Simmons and he confirmed that we had not requested the tabling and agreed to call Ms. Recchie and tell her this. We also told Mr. Simmons that we had still not received notification about the North Market building. During the conversation, Mr. Simmons told us that he had sent several other property owners copies of his letter attributing the tabling to confusion in the Development Department. That afternoon we reached Ms. Recchie who confirmed that Mr. Simmons had told her that we had not requested the tabling. That evening the Columbus Dispatch carried the statement that I had requested the nomination be tabled for 30 days according to Ms. Recchie. On the morning of June 5, 1980 Ms. Recchie again spoke before City Council about the building demolition but, to our knowledge, did not mention her previous incorrect statement. We feel that these actions only further public misunderstanding in this matter.

Please be informed that at 2:30 P.M. June 4, 1980 we received from your office by certified mail notification that the North Market building will be considered for nomination to the National Register. We understand that the Board will consider this on July 18, 1980. As previously discussed, it is our feeling that the North Market building is an "intrusion" and should be so designated. Please inform us as soon as possible about time and location of the Board meeting.

We sincerely hope that no one attributes this second delay to the Development Department.

Very truly yours,



N. JACK HUDDLE, DIRECTOR
DEPARTMENT OF DEVELOPMENT

XC: Mayor Tom Moody
Members of City Council

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Letters *C.J. 7-7-80*

In rebuttal

Although your editorial "Serving the Public" is misleading and unfair, I wish to address only the facts of two incidents contained therein.

During the past 12 months I personally encouraged and participated in planning activities within the North Market area, which brought to the attention of the community and to individual property owners the potential for development within this area at the edge of downtown Columbus.

All property owners, public agencies, the American Institute of Architects, the Landmarks Foundation and the Department of Development were involved in these activities; the press was invited to participate. More than 20 meetings were held, trying to encourage the private sector to redevelop this area, hopefully without major public expenditure.

Upon learning of the desire of the owners of the Monypenny-Hammond building to obtain a legal permit, my staff and I ascertained that the owner had been totally aware of these activities and the proposed historic designation of the area, and still decided to obtain a legal permit to demolish the building. I was personally assured that under no circumstances did the owners wish to delay their actions.

A permit, to which they were legally entitled, was issued. Of course, I was aware of community interest, as well as my own, in the possible restoration of this building. However, to deny the permit, as a City Councilman and the Citizen-Journal suggested, or to alert preservationists to this event would surely have been improper and potentially illegal. The precedent that this action would have set for harassment of a property owner is an important issue which your newspaper has "failed" to consider.

We have provided timely planning services for this area. One property owner, reacting to what I believe is a premature proposal for Historic District designation by the State Preservation Office, decided to clear the land to make way for future development, rather than to renovate the existing building. This is, of course, his right.

We continue to believe that when the market conditions for investment are feasible that this area will undergo extensive renovation and development, blending the new with the best of the old.

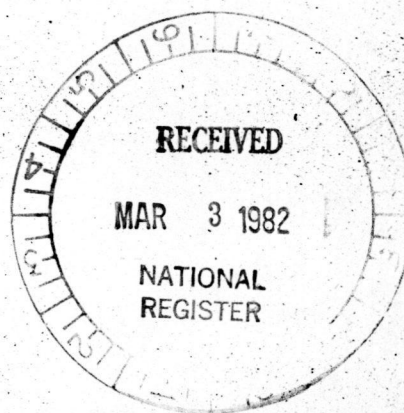
The second incident you referred to involved notification procedures of public hearings. The Department of Development

correctly notified adjacent property owners and all civic organizations of all rezoning hearings to be held before the Development Commission. This is our responsibility and we do it properly.

This was done for the apartment rezoning in the Northwest area which you referred to. The Civic Association and the neighboring residents were present for this hearing before the Development Commission on May 8. The Development Commission recommended disapproval. The hearing before City Council is scheduled by the City Clerk and that office issues legal notification accordingly.

While it is true that our Area Planner, who assists the citizenry, "failed" to informally contact the Civic Association, your Editor "failed" to mention that he had told the Civic Association to contact the City Clerk to determine the exact date of Council hearing. While we are sorry that these residents were uninformed, we are proud of our procedures and record of communication with the Columbus citizenry.

I believe the Citizen-Journal can help assure the City of Columbus that its interests are "weighed fairly" by accurate and fair reporting of the facts, especially within editorials. — N. JACK HUDDLE, Director, Columbus Department of Development.

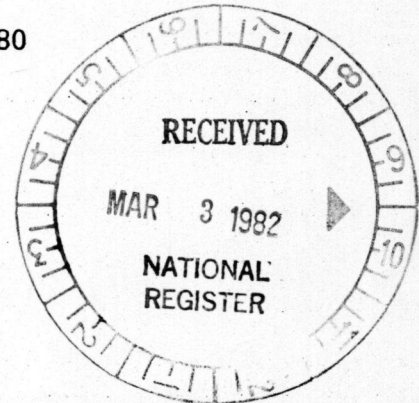


Ohio Historic Preservation Office

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

July 8, 1980

Mr. Ralph Smithers, Director
Department of Development
City of Columbus
140 Marconi Boulevard
Columbus, Ohio 43215



Dear Mr. Smithers:

This is in response to a letter of June 6, 1980, from your predecessor, Mr. N. Jack Huddle, concerning the North Market Historic District.

In regard to the issue of the postponement of the North Market area nomination by the Ohio Historic Site Preservation Advisory Board, the Board feels strongly that it should take every effort to answer questions and clarify issues to the fullest extent possible, and it does not normally move forward on nominations until (1) questions such as those raised by the Columbus Development Department are answered and (2) notification procedures are correct. The decision to table the nomination was, therefore, entirely the Board's. Copies of the letter to the Mayor were provided to those owners in the district who had written to this office in order to keep them informed of the status of the nomination. No intent was meant at any time to disparage the professionalism and reputation of the Development Department. If such a result did occur, I apologize to you and the members of your staff.

The notification of the City concerning Lot 25 on Spruce Street following the Ohio Historic Site Preservation Advisory Board's initial review of the nomination February 1, 1980, was the result of an error contained in the Franklin County records which is, I am sure you are aware, simply an element one must deal with in working with public records. The actions of your department to help us correct the notification problems arising from this are to be commended.

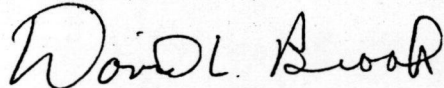
Of course, I was disappointed that the demolition permit for the Monypeny-Hammond Building was granted in view of the pending National Register nomination and in view of the participation of the Development Department in meetings with the Columbus Landmarks Foundation prior to the initial review of the North Market nomination by the Ohio Historic Site Preservation Advisory Board. The rehabilitation feasibility study in the North Market area should have indicated to your staff that the North Market area was of special historic interest and significance. Its rehabilitation will enhance the overall new development occurring in the vicinity. Perhaps the

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Monypeny-Hammond Building should have ultimately been demolished. However, in view of the, public participation and interest, planning studies and recognized historical and architectural value, a demolition permit should have been granted only after more careful review.

The nomination will come before the Board again on July 18, 1980 at the Ohio Historical Center at 10:00 A.M. Please let us know if you or a representative plan to be in attendance.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "David L. Brook". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "David" being more prominent.

David L. Brook
State Historic Preservation Officer

DLB:jb

X.c: Nancy Recchie, Preservation Officer
Mayor Tom Moody
Dana Baker, Chairman, OHSPAB

The City of Columbus
Mayor Tom Moody



Department of Development
140 Marconi Boulevard
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Director Ralph W. Smithers
614-222-7763

July 17, 1980

Mr. David Brook
State Historic Preservation Officer
Ohio Historic Preservation Office
1-71& 17th Avenue
Columbus, Ohio 43211

Dear Mr. Brook:

In response to your request for comments, dated June 3, 1980, we are pleased to forward the following recommendation regarding the proposed North Market National Historic District.

As you may know, the North Market area has been of considerable interest to our Department from the standpoint of investigating the rehabilitation feasibility of many of the properties in this area. To this end, we, jointly with you, retained consultants to investigate economic and physical conditions in the area. Our consultant's findings clearly indicate that many of the properties in the North Market area have potential for successful reuse and rehabilitation. The consultant's findings also indicate that several properties are intrusions in the overall area. Attached for your reference is the consultant's finding regarding these intrusions.

Please be informed that the Columbus Development Department supports the nomination of the North Market area to the National Register of Historic Places with the provision that these intrusions be properly noted in the district designation.

Sincerely,

RALPH W. SMITHERS, DIRECTOR
DEPARTMENT OF DEVELOPMENT

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xc: Mayor Tom Moody
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July 24, 1980

Mr. David Brooks
State Historical Preservation Officer
Ohio Historical Preservation Office
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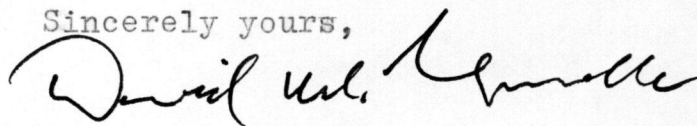
Dear Mr. Brooks:

I have enclosed a copy of a letter sent to the Division of Planning of the Columbus Development Department. I realize that I am remiss in not having registered my opposition sooner to the matter of the North Market area listing. My excuses are two, one that it has only been since a proposed ordinance restricting alternative use was proposed that I have become opposed, and two that I have recently suffered a virus causing paralysis from which I am only now sufficiently recovered to write.

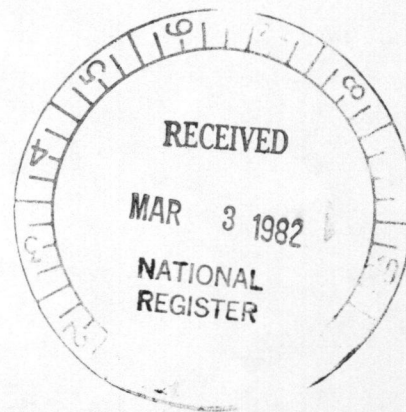
Please observe my comments, and I further request that you pass the copy of the letter along to Washington so that my comments are on record in the event that I must take an adversary role in the future.

I have great respect for your efforts as well as those made on the local level and I regret that I must oppose this issue.

Sincerely yours,



David M. Reynolds



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would be made to include the same area under the city ordinance so that alternative use would be difficult and expensive. Each property would then be bound as described above. The result is undesirable, legally questionable, and probably unintended by the authors of the ordinance. As a property owner, I had raised no objection to the application for listing, prior to the proposed ordinance. For without the ordinance there is no real restriction against alternative use. Once the ordinance is in place, future attempts to list and thus restrict entire areas would probably be much more carefully considered by all concerned. Exclusion from the ordinance of the North Market Area would be a simple solution to the above stated problem for the property owners involved and would be consistent with the proposed exclusion of the Capitol Square South and the Ohio Center areas.

A second matter I would make comment upon is the application itself that has been made for listing the North Market Area with the federal government. Such listing, especially when considered under the implications of the proposed city ordinance, could seriously restrict, perhaps preclude, any alternative use of the area from a presently proposed entertainment and walk-up office district with some apartments for sophisticates who want a downtown apartment location. In short, "cute and quaint". Since the economic viability of this proposed concept is certainly unproved, it would seem imprudent for the city as well as for the property owners to let an area contingent to the city's newest and most inspiring redeveloped downtown sector be restricted from any use alternative to "quaint". It is a very short distance and a modest sized area from the north innerbelt at Goodale Street to our new convention center, the new hotel, and Nationwide Plaza. It would seem a waste for it not to be available for further major downtown development. As for myself, under the present circumstances, I feel I must take opposition to the application for listing in the federal register. It is my opinion that the city administration and the city council should take the same position.

A third matter for comment, in case you are still with me, is the matter of the process whereby city council designates an area as "blighted". I fully understand the economic reasons for such procedure as it relates to grants and opportunity for federal funding, and therefore, I am generally in sympathy with councils' willingness to utilize the action. However, it appears that more care or additional criterion might be utilized by council's staff in determination of that which constitutes "blight", its causes, and perhaps the permanence of the condition. Consider for a moment, High St., north of Nationwide Blvd. for perhaps the past ten years. Briefly; Union Station virtually abandoned, High St. viaduct in serious disrepair, railroad accident causing severe damage to viaduct, no repairs made, partial closing of High St., one way traffic, traffic rerouted, demolition and dirt from eventual razing of Union Station after the "Battle of the Arch", final demolition of the High St. Viaduct, High St. closed for two full years

with traffic diverted, excavation and dirt of construction for two years from viaduct construction, dirt of construction from convention center construction staging area north of the site, difficulty of providing police protection in a dead-end neighborhood cut off from downtown only one block away, isolated from bus service, occupancy of the area by vagrants living not in the buildings of the area but dwelling under the Front St. bridge on city property, the consequent vandalism and undesirable appearance of the area. All this a development of many years, not from neglect by the owners, but from action of commission or omission from the city government during several administrations.

Then was not the area truly "blighted"? It would seem obvious, and if indeed the only criterion were the viability of retail trade, then of course it was blighted. At the time of council's consideration, the new viaduct had either just opened or perhaps not yet opened, so little effort had yet been made by owners to restore appearances. No one, to my knowledge, investigated the area or contacted businesses or owners prior to the "blighted" determination. Those of us in the neighborhood read of it in the newspapers at about the same time that we were informed that the Columbus Landmarks Foundation and its Historic Preservation Officer were going to save us from the big bad developers who would otherwise steal our property with the help of the politicians and their power of condemnation. The wrecking ball would get us and we would receive but a pittance for our confiscated property which had been willed to ruin by the city itself. I really should not be so sarcastic here, for the above-scenario just could happen after being designated "blighted".

At the conjunction of the above two news items, there was a meeting of the business people of the area where some data was shared regarding sales, employment, and other measures of economic activity. In the one block bounded by High St. and Front St. between Vine St. and Spruce St. there were ten wholesalers of a variety of product lines including rugs and carpeting, floor coverings, building products, general merchandise for variety and drug stores, carnival and party supplies, chairs and tables, appliance and electronic parts, heating and cooling parts, and my own wholesale plumbing and industrial supply company which is now in its fourth generation of Reynolds family management. There was one retail store, one bar, and one vacant shoe store. This one block with one vacant building was estimated to produce the following, even under conditions as previously described:

1. employment of prox. 115 people, not including North Market which is also within the block and which might include another thirty stand operators or employees.
2. payroll, not including North Market, of Prox. \$1,500,000.00
3. sales, not including North Market, of Prox. \$17,000,000.00

The above included nothing east of High St. or west of Front (Park) St.. The two blocks north had less density of employment because of a church and two vacant buildings, but was

similarly productive. None of the above included the Money-penny Hammond facility.

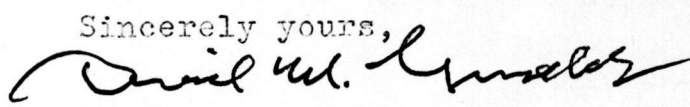
The above commentary on our "blight" is not intended as scorn or strident criticism of council's action. It is typical that central city vitality is often measured only in terms of retail business, and the significance of service, support, or distribution industry is ignored or considered suitable only for a suburban industrial park location. We forgive the concept of warehouses being undesirable. I do think that our city council should take some caution in its consideration of blighted areas, and perhaps take some measure of economic activity within the area so as to avoid the potential embarrassment of redeveloping less than preceded the redevelopment.

In closing, let me affirm that it is my desire to see the maximum amount of utility and improvement from the current use of the North Market area as well as the best potential development and redevelopment. I would like to participate in and pursue a neighborhood renovation and/or restoration much as proposed by the Landmark people and the study prepared by the city Planning Department. Most of my business neighbors feel likewise. We do not however want to see such efforts exclude any other potential development, and we don't want to be muscled out of our profitable business locations only for someone else's profit. We really might handle our own blight rather well if we had a couple of years of normality. We concede that our businesses may be non-compatible with the plans of the others who are suddenly so interested in our area now that the construction ends. I do not concede that the restrictions on the use of the property should preclude our enjoyment of the appreciation from our investment and tolerance of past dislocation. We would prefer to relocate, not liquidate. It could come to pass, if enough restrictions apply, that the area would become blighted in fact, for the restrictions delay activity, and there is little evidence of potential economic gain for the business entitled now resident in the area.

The listing in the national register should not be encouraged by the City of Columbus and the property owners should raise strenuous objection. If the listing proceeds, then the area should be exempted from any proposed ordinance restricting variance from alternative use of listed sites. The "blighted" designation was probably an error, and great care should be given to the ramifications that could develop. Valuation under condemnation relates to real estate market value, not utility value or relocation cost to business owner/occupant.

Many Thanks. You have been patient in hearing me out.

Sincerely yours,



David M. Reynolds

cc: Hon. Tom Moody, Mayor

City Hall, Columbus, Ohio 43215

cc: M.D. Portman, Pres. City Council

City Hall, Columbus, Ohio 43215

cc: David Brooks, State Historical Preservation Officer

Ohio Historical Preservation Office

I-71 & 17th Ave.

Columbus, Ohio 43211

cc: Columbus Landmarks Foundation

DAVID M. REYNOLDS,
PRESIDENT

PLUMBERS and FACTORY SUPPLIES, INC.

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COLUMBUS, OHIO 43215

Columbus Development Dept.
Division of Planning
50 W. Broad St.
Columbus, Ohio 43215

224-6208
Area 614

July 24, 1980

Gentlemen:

I am writing in regard to several related matters involving the identification and designation of "historic" buildings and the more recent concept of involving larger areas and whole neighborhoods. Please accept my comments as the effort of a concerned businessman and involved property owner to be constructive and cooperative. I recognize the serious problems and difficult situations that have been thrust upon the city administration, the city council, certain of our business leaders, and perhaps some dedicated persons and organizations who may sometimes lose some amount of perspective in emotional response to thwarted goals. There has been too much frustration and conflict over the issue of preservation. To have responsible city leaders castigated and accused of deceit is absurd and irresponsible, and I am offended as a citizen of a dynamic city.

There is obviously great need for official policy and specific procedures so that all interests are aware of the process. Hence, I suppose, the proposed ordinance. I am concerned however, that in the haste to provide a structure or vehicle satisfactory to both city agencies and activist organizations, the property rights of individuals may be seriously restricted, even to the point of confiscation of property value or wealth. I am not opposed to the proposed ordinance in its present form as it might apply to an individual and significant building of considerable substance and value. But if, as in the case of the North Market area, the ordinance applies to an entire neighborhood and all buildings therein, then the expense of obtaining variance from a designation or listing for any small individual building could be very disproportionate to the value of such property. The cost of required documentation and expert testimony could be as much for a modestly valued building as for a million dollar landmark. Such expense surely represents a reduction in price received by the seller whether the costs are borne by the seller or buyer.

It is my suggestion and request that the North Market Area be exempted from the proposed ordinance. Application has already been made for the entire area to be listed in the National register, there is no question that every effort

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Richard G. Llewellyn
5100 Thornhill Lane
Columbus, Ohio 43220

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December 9, 1981

Mr. Ray Luce
State Historic Officer
Columbus, Ohio 43211

Dear Mr. Luce:

With regard to your letter dated November 30th, concerning the property located at 22-24-24 $\frac{1}{2}$ Spruce St, please be advised that we are not interested at the present time in the building being listed in the National Register of Historic Places. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

R. G. Llewellyn

R. G. Llewellyn
Partial Owner

Diana L. Hoying

DIANA L. HOYING
NOTARY PUBLIC - STATE OF OHIO
MY COMMISSION EXPIRES AUG. 29, 1983



The City of Columbus
Mayor Tom Moody



Department of Development
140 Marconi Boulevard
Columbus, Ohio 43215

Director Ralph W. Smithers
614-222-7763

December 18, 1981

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Dr. W. Ray Luce
State Historic Preservation Officer
Ohio Historic Preservation Office
Ohio Historical Center
I-71 and 17th Avenue
Columbus, Ohio 43211

Dear Dr. Luce:

The City of Columbus strongly supports the nomination of the North Market Historic District to the National Register of Historic Places. Individuals in the Division of Planning have been working with property owners and the Columbus Landmarks Foundation to revitalize the area, and National Register listing is a key component of that effort.

Sincerely,

RALPH W. SMITHERS, DIRECTOR
DEPARTMENT OF DEVELOPMENT

BY: Kay Benton
Kay Benton, Historic Preservationist

RWS/KB/amo

Building Regulation
222-7433

Code Enforcement
222-7260

Community Development
222-7336

Economic Development
222-8135

Planning
222-8172

CERTIFIED MAIL

Mary L. Currier
770 Courtwright Boulevard
Mansfield, Ohio 44907

22 December 1981

Mr. W. Ray Luce
State Historic Preservation Officer
Ohio Historic Preservation Office
Ohio Historical Center
I-71 and 17th Avenue
Columbus, Ohio 43211

Dear Sir:

I hereby certify that I am the sole owner of the private property known as 28-30 West Spruce Street in Columbus, Ohio (Franklin County) as well as three lots known as 21, 23-25 Swan Street behind (to the north of) said property.

Please be advised that I do not want (repeat, I do NOT want) my property to be considered as -- or be included in -- any part of the "North Market Historic District" as mentioned in your descriptive letter dated December 1, 1981. Nor do I want my property to be added to any federal, state, county, city or district register of "historic structures".

In accordance with your instructions and request, I have had this objection and my signature properly notarized.

Sincerely yours,

Mary L. Currier

Mary L. Currier

DEBORAH K. KOROKNAY
NOTARY PUBLIC, STATE OF OHIO
My Commission Expires Apr. 17, 1986

Deborah K Koroknay



Ohio Historic Preservation Office

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

November 1, 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 nine new National Register nominations and one resubmission.
All the appropriate notification procedures have been followed for the new submissions.

New Submissions

Austin-Magie Farm and Mill District
Dunton House
King-Phillips-Deibel House
Central Avenue Historic District
Miami-Erie Canal Lock No. 70
The Mutual Home and Savings
Association Building
Arlington Hotel
Zanesville Historic Railroad Depots
Thematic Group
Barnhisel, Henry II, House

County

Butler
Huron
Medina
Montgomery
Montgomery

Montgomery
Muskingum
Muskingum

Trumbull

Resubmission

✓ North Market Historic District

County

Franklin

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

W. Ray Luce
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State Historic Preservation Officer

WRL:BP:dd

Encl.

X.c: Regional Coordinators

