AN ORDINANCE DESIGNATING A BUILDING KNOWN AS THE "MORRISON HOUSE," LOCATED AT 226 WEST TENTH STREET IN THE CITY OF CHARLOTTE, AS HISTORIC PROPERTY.

WHEREAS, all of the prerequisites to the adoption of the ordinance prescribed in Part 3B, Article 19, Chapter 160A of the General Statutes of North Carolina have been met; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has taken into full consideration all statements and information presented at the joint public hearing held with the Charlotte Mecklenburg Historic Properties Commission on the 4th day of October, 1976, on the question of designating a building known as the Morrison House as historic property; and

WHEREAS, the building known as the Morrison House was erected by Mr. Joseph Young some time between 1885 and 1889; and

WHEREAS, the building known as the Morrison House was owned from 1906 to 1949 by descendants of Dr. Robert Hall Morrison, founder of Davidson College and early Presbyterian pastor in Mecklenburg County; and

WHEREAS, the building known as the Morrison House is an example of late nineteenth century stick style architecture with cottage and Eastlake influence; and

WHEREAS, the Charlotte Mecklenburg Historic Properties Commission has demonstrated that the Morrison House meets the criteria for designation set forth in N.C.G.S. §160A-399.4; and

WHEREAS, the Division of Archives and History of the North Carolina Department of Cultural Resources has endorsed the findings of the Charlotte Mecklenburg Historic Properties Commission; and
WHEREAS, the present owners of the Morrison House are Howard Gamm and wife, Glenis Sofley Gamm, who are interested in the preservation of this historic building and possess the financial responsibility necessary to maintain and preserve the building.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Charlotte, North Carolina;

1. That the building known as the Morrison House, located at 226 West Tenth Street within the City of Charlotte is hereby designated as historic property pursuant to Part 3B, Article 19, Chapter 160A of the General Statutes of North Carolina. For purposes of description only, the location of said building is noted as being situated on Lot 1, Block 46, as recorded in Mecklenburg County Tax Book 78. As a matter of further description said building is situated on real property described in a document recorded in the Mecklenburg County Public Registry in Book 2949 at Page 554.

2. That said building may not be demolished, materially altered, remodeled or removed until ninety (90) days' written notice of the owner's proposed action has been given to the Charlotte Mecklenburg Historic Properties Commission.

3. That nothing in this ordinance shall be construed to prevent the ordinary maintenance or repair of any exterior architectural feature in or on the Morrison House that does not involve a change in design, material, or outer appearance thereof, nor to prevent the construction, reconstruction, alteration, restoration, demolition or removal of any such feature when a building
inspector or similar official certifies to the Commission that such action is required for the public safety because of an unsafe condition. Nothing herein shall be construed to prevent the property owners from making any use of this property not prohibited by other statutes, ordinances, or regulations.

4. That a suitable sign shall be posted indicating the building's designation as historic property and containing any other appropriate information. If the owners object, the sign shall be placed on a nearby public right of way.

5. That the owners and occupants of the building and property known as the Morrison House be given the notice of this ordinance as required by applicable law and that copies of this ordinance be filed and indexed in the office of the City Clerk, Mecklenburg County Register of Deeds, Building Inspection Department and Tax Supervisor as required by applicable law.

Approved as to form:

[Signature]
City Attorney

Read, approved and adopted by the City Council of the City of Charlotte, North Carolina, in regular session convened on the 4th day of October, 1976, the reference having been made in Minute Book 64, and is recorded in full in Ordinance Book 23, at Page 377-379.
CERTIFICATION

I, Ruth Armstrong, City Clerk of the City of Charlotte, North Carolina, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing is a true and exact copy of an Ordinance adopted by the City Council of the City of Charlotte, North Carolina, in regular session on the 4th day of October, 1976, the reference having been made in Minute Book 64, and recorded in full in Ordinance Book 23, at Pages 377-379.

WITNESS my hand and the corporate seal of the City of Charlotte, North Carolina, this the 14th day of October, 1976.

[Signature]
Ruth Armstrong, City Clerk