

AN ORDINANCE DESIGNATING AS HISTORIC LANDMARK A PROPERTY KNOWN AS "DR. WALTER PHARR CRAVEN HOUSE AND FARM" (LISTED UNDER TAX PARCEL NUMBERS 033-141-02 AND 033-141-03 CONSISTING OF 10.45 ACRES) AND THE FOLLOWING STRUCTURES LOCATED WITHIN THE BOUNDARIES OF THE PROPERTY: BOTH THE EXTERIORS AND INTERIORS OF THE TWO-STORY CA.1888 DR. WALTER PHARR CRAVEN HOUSE, THE CA.1929 WELL CANOPY, THE CA.1910 CHAPEL, THE CA.1920 BARN, THE CA.1888 LOG CORNCRIB, THE CA.1920 TOOL SHED, AND THE CA.1920 AUTO GARAGE. THE PARCELS OF LAND ARE LISTED UNDER TAX PARCEL NUMBERS 033-141-02 AND 033-141-03 IN THE MECKLENBURG COUNTY TAX OFFICE, CHARLOTTE, NORTH CAROLINA. THE PROPERTY, OWNED BY BOBBY DON LAWING AND MARGIE DAVIS LAWING, IS LOCATED AT 7648 MT. HOLLY-HUNTERSVILLE ROAD, CHARLOTTE, MECKLENBURG COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA 28210.

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

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of Mecklenburg County, North Carolina, has taken into full consideration all statements and information presented at a joint public hearing held with the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Historic Landmarks Commission on the 13th day of July, 1991, on the question of designating a property known as the "Dr. Walter Pharr Craven House and Farm" (listed under tax parcel numbers 033-141-02 and 033-141-03 consisting of 10.45 acres) and including the "ca.1888 Dr. Walter Pharr Craven House, the ca.1929 Well Canopy, the ca.1910 Chapel, the ca.1920 Barn, the ca.1888 Log Corncrib, the ca.1920 Tool Shed, and the ca.1920 Auto Garage" as historic landmark; and

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WHEREAS, the "ca.1888 Dr. Walter Pharr Craven House" is one of the most intact dwellings of the post-Civil War period; and

WHEREAS, the "ca.1888 Dr. Walter Pharr Craven House" is architecturally significant for exemplifying the vernacular Victorian, T-shaped, two-story farmhouse of Mecklenburg County; and

WHEREAS, the array of intact farm outbuildings, including the "ca.1929 Well Canopy, the ca.1910 Chapel, the ca.1920 Barn, the ca.1888 Log Corncrib, the ca.1920 Tool Shed, and the ca.1920 Auto Garage," represent traditional forms and a variety of construction techniques (including log construction); and

WHEREAS, the "Dr. Walter Pharr Craven House and Farm" setting is enhanced by the preservation of pastoral vistas; and

WHEREAS, the "Dr. Walter Pharr Craven House and Farm" and its associated outbuildings provide valuable insight to rural life in Mecklenburg County; and

WHEREAS, the current owners, Bobby Don Lawing and Margie Davis Lawing, have faithfully maintained the "Dr. Walter Pharr Craven House and Farm" (listed under tax parcel numbers 033-141-02 and 033-141-03 consisting of 10.45 acres) and including the "ca. 1889 Dr. Walter Pharr Craven House, the ca.1929 Well Canopy, the ca.1910 Chapel, the ca.1920 Barn, the ca.1888 Log Corncrib, the ca.1920 Tool Shed, and the ca.1920 Auto Garage," and have thereby made a substantial contribution to the cultural richness of Charlotte-Mecklenburg; and

WHEREAS, the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Historic Landmarks Commission has demonstrated that the property, known as the "Dr. Walter Pharr Craven House and Farm" (listed under tax parcel numbers 033-141-02 and 033-141-03 consisting of 10.45 acres), possesses structures having integrity of design, setting, workmanship, materials, and/or association; and

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WHEREAS, the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Historic Landmarks Commission has demonstrated that the property known as the "Dr. Walter Pharr Craven House and Farm" (the portion thereof listed under tax parcel numbers 033-141-02 and 033-141-03 consisting of 10.45 acres) and including the "ca. 1889 Dr. Walter Pharr Craven House, the ca.1929 Well Canopy, the ca.1910 Chapel, the ca.1920 Barn, the ca.1888 Log Corncrib, the ca.1920 Tool Shed, and the ca.1920 Auto Garage," possesses special significance in terms of its history, architecture, and/or cultural importance; and

WHEREAS, the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Historic Landmarks Commission has jurisdiction over the interiors of the "ca. 1889 Dr. Walter Pharr Craven House, the ca.1929 Well Canopy, the ca.1910 Chapel, the ca.1920 Barn, the ca.1888 Log Corncrib, the ca.1920 Tool Shed, and the ca.1920 Auto Garage," because written consent for interior design review has been given by the owners, Bobby Don Lawing and Margie Davis Lawing; and

WHEREAS, the property known as the "Dr. Walter Pharr Craven House and Farm" (listed under tax parcel numbers 033-141-02 and 033-141-03 consisting of 10.45 acres) and including the "ca. 1889 Dr. Walter Pharr Craven House, the ca.1929 Well Canopy, the ca.1910 Chapel, the ca.1920 Barn, the ca.1888 Log Corncrib, the ca.1920 Tool Shed, and the ca.1920 Auto Garage" is owned by Bobby Don Lawing and Margie Davis Lawing,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Commissioners of Mecklenburg County, North Carolina:

1. That the property known as the the "Dr. Walter Pharr Craven House and Farm" (listed under tax parcel numbers 033-141-02 and 033-141-03 consisting of 10.45 acres) and including the exteriors and the interiors of the "ca. 1889 Dr.

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Walter Pharr Craven House, the ca.1929 Well Canopy, the ca.1910 Chapel, the ca.1920 Barn, the ca.1888 Log Corncrib, the ca.1920 Tool Shed, and the ca.1920 Auto Garage"; and the parcels of land listed under Tax Parcel Numbers 033-141-02 and 033-141-03 is hereby designated as an historic landmark pursuant to Chapter 160A, Article 19, as amended, of the General Statutes of North Carolina. For purposes of description only, the location of said property is noted as being situated at 7648 Mt. Holly-Huntersville Road, Charlotte, in Mecklenburg County, North Carolina 28210, and is recorded on Tax Parcel numbers 033-141-02 and 033-141-03 in the Mecklenburg County Tax Office.

2. That said designated property may be materially altered, restored, moved or demolished only following the issuance of a Certificate of Appropriateness by the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Historic Landmarks Commission. An application for a Certificate of Appropriateness authorizing the demolition of said landmark may not be denied. However, the effective date of such a Certificate may be delayed in accordance with Chapter 160A, Article 19, and amendments thereto, and hereinafter adopted.

3. That nothing in this ordinance shall be construed to prevent or delay the ordinary maintenance or repair of any architectural feature in or on said landmark that does not involve a change of design, material, or outer appearance thereof, nor to prevent or delay 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 landmark owner from making any use of this landmark not prohibited by other statutes, ordinances, or regulations.

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4. That a suitable sign may be posted indicating that said property has been designated as historic landmark and containing any other appropriate information. If the owner consents, the sign may be placed on said landmark.

5. That the owners and occupants of the landmark known as the "Dr. Walter Pharr Craven House and Farm" (listed under tax parcel numbers 033-141-02 and 033-141-03 consisting of 10.45 acres) be given notice of this ordinance as required by applicable law and that copies of this ordinance be filed and indexed in the offices of the County Clerk, Building Standards Department, Mecklenburg County Register of Deeds, and the Tax Supervisor, as required by applicable law.

6. That which is designated as historic landmark shall be subject to Chapter 160A, Article 19, and any amendments to it and any amendments hereinafter adopted.

Adopted the 1st day of July 1991 by the Board of Commissioners of Mecklenburg County.

Janie Spang
Clerk to the Board

Approved as to form:
Judith L. Lister
Assoc. County Attorney



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PERMISSION OF OWNERS FOR INTERIOR DESIGN REVIEW

We, B. Don Lawing and Margie Davis Lawing
owners of record, do hereby request interior designation and do give
permission to the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Historic Landmarks
Commission to exercise jurisdiction for design review over all interior
designated portions of the following buildings located at
7648 Mt. Holly-Huntersville Road, Charlotte, N.C. 28208:

- ~~B.D.L.~~
~~m.d.l.~~ 1) Dr. Walter Pharr Craven House
- ~~B.D.L.~~
~~m.d.l.~~ 2) ca. 1929 Well Canopy
- ~~B.D.L.~~
~~m.d.l.~~ 3) ca. 1910 Chapel
- ~~B.D.L.~~
~~m.d.l.~~ 4) ca. 1920 Barn
- ~~B.D.L.~~
~~m.d.l.~~ 5) ca. 1888 Log Corncrib
- ~~B.D.L.~~
~~m.d.l.~~ 6) ca. 1920 Tool Shed
- ~~B.D.L.~~
~~m.d.l.~~ 7) ca. 1920 Auto Garage

Signature: B. Don Lawing
(Owner)
B. DON LAWING

Name (Print): _____

Date: 2-26-91

Signature: Margie Davis Lawing
(Owner)

Name (Print): MARGIE DAVIS LAWING

Date: 2-26-91

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