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Ordinance – Defiance Sock Mills

Ordinance designating as an Historic Landmark a property known as the “Defiance Sock Mills” (listed under Tax Parcel Number 07324219 in the Mecklenburg County Tax Office, Charlotte, North Carolina as of August 15, 2013, and including the interiors and exteriors of the buildings, land, and all features of Tax Parcel Number 07324219). The property is owned by 520 Elliot Street LLC, and is located at 520 Elliot Street, Charlotte, North Carolina.

WHEREAS, all of the prerequisites to the 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 members of the City Council of Charlotte, North Carolina, have taken into full consideration all statements and information presented at a public hearing held on the 21<sup>st</sup> day of October, 2013, on the question of designating a property known as the Defiance Sock Mills as an historic landmark; and

WHEREAS, the members of the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Historic Landmarks Commission have taken into full consideration all statements and information presented at a public hearing held on the 14<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2013, on the question of designating a property known as the Defiance Sock Mills as an historic landmark; and

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WHEREAS, the Defiance Sock Mills (built in 1918) was one of the first two hosiery mills constructed in Charlotte and is the only one to survive; and

WHEREAS, the Defiance Sock Mills represents the heyday of textile manufacturing and its related industries in Charlotte; and

WHEREAS, the Defiance Sock Mills is a good example of mill architecture with its heavy timber construction, brick walls, tall windows, and narrow form. Its location along the Piedmont and Northern interurban rail line also illustrates the importance of the railroads to industrial development before the era of trucking; and

WHEREAS, the Defiance Sock Mills helps to tell the history of the development of Charlotte and McNinchville, as the mill is part of the small industrial district that emerged in the McNinchville neighborhood to take advantage of the proximity of the Southern Railway and the Piedmont and Northern; and

WHEREAS, Charlotte-Mecklenburg Historic Landmarks Commission has demonstrated that the property known as the Defiance Sock Mills possesses special significance in terms of its history, and/or cultural importance; and

WHEREAS, the property known as the Defiance Sock Mills is owned by 520 Elliot Street LLC.

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

1. That the property known as the “Defiance Sock Mills” (listed under Tax Parcel Number 07324219 in the Mecklenburg County Tax Office, Charlotte, North Carolina as of August 15, 2013, and including the interiors and exteriors of the buildings, land, and all features of Tax Parcel Number 07324219) is hereby designated as an historic landmark pursuant to

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Chapter 160A, Article 19, as amended, of the General Statutes of North Carolina. The location of said landmark is noted as being situated at 520 Elliot Street, Charlotte, North Carolina. Features of the property are more completely described in the “Survey and Research Report on the Defiance Sock Mills” (2012).

2. That said exterior and interior are more specifically defined as the historic and structural fabric, especially including all original exterior and interior architectural features and the original contours of landscaping.

3. That said designated historic landmark may be materially altered, restored, moved or demolished only following 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, except if such landmark is judged to be of State-wide significance by duly authorized officials of the North Carolina Division of Archives and History. However, the effective date of such Certificate may be delayed in accordance with Chapter 160A, Article 19, and amendments thereto, and hereinafter adopted.

4. Nothing in this ordinance shall be construed to prevent or delay ordinary maintenance or repair of any architectural feature in or on said landmark that does not involve a change in 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 owner of the historic landmark from making any use of the historic landmark not prohibited by other statutes, ordinances or regulations. Owners of locally designated historic landmarks are expected

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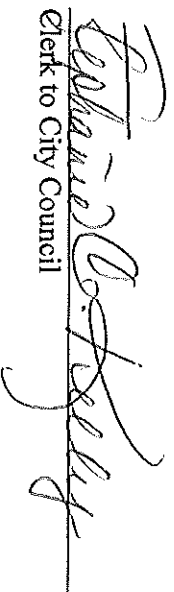
to be familiar with and to follow *The Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation and Guidelines for Rehabilitating Historic Buildings*, the guidelines used by the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Historic Landmarks Commission to evaluate proposed alterations or additions.

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

6. That the owners of the historic landmark known as the "Defiance Sock Mills" 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 City Clerk, Building Standards Department, Mecklenburg County Register of Deeds, and the Tax Supervisor, as required by applicable law.

7. That which is designated as an historic landmark shall be subject to Chapter 160A, Article 19, of the General Statutes of North Carolina as amended, and any amendments to it and any amendments hereinafter adopted.

Adopted the 18th day of November, 2013, by the members of the City Council of the City of Charlotte, Mecklenburg County, North Carolina.

  
Clerk to City Council

Approved as to form:

  
~~Senior Assistant City Attorney~~

