AN ORDINANCE DESIGNATING A PROPERTY KNOWN AS "LATTA PLACE" AS HISTORIC PROPERTY.

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

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners 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 21st day of May, 1974, on the question of designating a property known as "Latta Place" as historic property; and

WHEREAS, the property known as "Latta Place" forms part of what was in the first half of the nineteenth century an important Catawba River plantation; and

WHEREAS, the two-story frame dwelling, known as the "Latta House", is located on the property known as "Latta Place" and was built in 1800 by James Latta, a wealthy planter and merchant; and

WHEREAS, the structure known as "Latta House" is an especially interesting early Federal house with a plan unique for its period in North Carolina; and

WHEREAS, the structure known as "Latta House" is on the National Register of Historic Places;

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

1. That the property from a Duke Power angle pole of 44KV transmission electrical line running from River Bend to Sample Belt Statesville S77°-23min.W, 74.7 feet to a pin 34 feet from the centerline of said Duke Power Company transmission line being on the right of way of said Duke Power line and the point of beginning; thence along new line N2D.-00min.W, 350.1 feet to a pin; thence N88D.-00min.E, 348.71 feet to a pin; thence S2D.-00min.E, 175.54 feet to a pin; thence S14D.-23min.W, 265.61 feet to a pin being 34 feet from the centerline of the right of way of the said 44KV Duke Power transmission line; thence N75D.-37min.W. along said right of way line 285.19 feet to the point of beginning, containing 2.97 acres more or less, is hereby designated as
Historic property pursuant to Part 3B, Article 19, Chapter 160 A of the General Statutes of North Carolina.

2. That said property 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 said property 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 structure's designation as historic property and containing any other appropriate information. If the owner consents, the sign shall be placed on said property. If the owner objects, the sign shall be placed on a nearby public right of way.

5. That all owners and occupants of said property be given the notice of this ordinance as required by applicable law and that copies of this ordinance be filed and indexed in the Mecklenburg County Register of Deeds, Building Inspection Department and Tax Supervisor as required by applicable law.

Approved as to form:

[Signature]

County Attorney