Ordinance designating as a Historic Landmark a property known as the “Providence Women’s Club, Community House” (listed under Tax Parcel Numbers 229-021-09 and 229-021-10 and including the entire exterior and the entire interior of the community house, being within the boundaries of said tax parcel). The parcel of land to be designated is the entire parcel of land listed under Tax Parcel Numbers 229-021-09 and 229-021-10 in the Mecklenburg County Tax Office, Charlotte, North Carolina. The property is owned by Providence Women’s Club, and is located on Community House Road in the Lower Providence Community of Mecklenburg County, 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 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 5th day of September, 1995, on the question of designating a property known as the Providence Women’s Club, Community House as a historic landmark; and

WHEREAS, the Providence Women’s Club, Community House was built in 1939 as a clubhouse for the Lower Providence Home Demonstration Club; and

WHEREAS, the Providence Women’s Club, Community House is one of the few home demonstration club meeting places remaining in Mecklenburg County; and
WHEREAS, the Providence Women’s Club, Community House is one of the few historic institutional buildings extant in Lower Providence, an area which in the past 20 years has become largely suburban; and

WHEREAS, the Providence Women’s Club, Community House, is one of the only buildings associated with the once rural composition of the Lower Providence community; and

WHEREAS, the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Historic Landmarks Commission has demonstrated that the property known as Providence Women’s Club, Community House possesses special significance in terms of its history, architecture, and/or cultural importance; and

WHEREAS, the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Historic Landmarks Commission has jurisdiction over portions of the property known as the Providence Women’s Club, Community House, because consent for interior design review has been given by the Owner; and

WHEREAS, the property known as the Providence Women’s Club, Community House is owned by the Providence Women’s Club.

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

1. That the property known as the “Providence Women’s Club, Community House” (including the entire exterior and the entire interior of the community house, and the entire parcel of land upon which the above structure is located, listed under Tax Parcel
Numbers 229-021-09 and 229-021-10) is hereby designated as a historic landmark pursuant to Chapter 160A, Article 19, as amended, of the General Statutes of North Carolina. The location of said landmark is noted as being situated on Community House Road in the Lower Providence community of Mecklenburg County, North Carolina. Interior and exterior features of the Providence Women’s Club, Community House are more completely described in the Survey and Research Report on the Providence Women’s Club, Community House (19 December, 1994).

2. That said exterior and interior are more specifically defined as the historic and structural fabric, especially including all original interior and exterior 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 this historic landmark not prohibited by other statutes, ordinances or regulations. Owners of locally designated historic landmarks are expected 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 a 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 and occupants of the historic landmark known as the Providence Women’s Club, Community House 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.

7. That which is designated as a historic landmark shall be subject to Chapter 160A, Article 19, as amended, and any amendments to it and any amendments hereinafter adopted.
ORDINANCE - Providence Women's Club, Community House

Adopted this day of September, 1995, by the members of the Board of Commissioners of Mecklenburg County, North Carolina.

[Signature]
Clerk to the Board

Approved as to form:
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Associate County Attorney