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SECRETARY OF DEEDS MECKLENBURG CO. N.C.

ORDINANCE DESIGNATING A STRUCTURE KNOWN AS "ST. MARK'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH AND A PORTION OF THE LAND ASSOCIATED THEREWITH, LOCATED ON HUNTERVILLE ROAD, IN MECKLENBURG COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA

WHEREAS, all of the prerequisites to the adoption of this ordinance prescribed in Part 3B, Article 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 19<sup>th</sup> day of September, 1983, on the question of designating the "ST. MARK'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH" and a portion of the land associated therewith as historic property; and

WHEREAS, the "St. Mark's Episcopal Church" is the second oldest church of that denomination in Charlotte-Mecklenburg and was an outgrowth of St. Peter's Episcopal Church, the oldest Episcopal congregation in Charlotte-Mecklenburg; and

WHEREAS, the building, erected in 1886-7 by local craftsmen, is an excellent local example of the "English country Gothic" style; and

WHEREAS, in recent years, the members of the church have performed a sensitive restoration of the sanctuary; and

WHEREAS, St. Mark's Episcopal Church retains its essential rural setting, including a burial ground; and

WHEREAS, the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Historic Properties Commission has demonstrated the historic significance of the structure known as "St. Mark's Episcopal Church" and a portion of the land associated therewith; and

WHEREAS, the structure known as "St. Mark's Episcopal Church" and a portion of the land associated therewith is owned in fee simple by the Vestry of St. Mark's Episcopal Church,

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

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1. That the structure known as "St. Mark's Episcopal Church", and the land associated therewith (land bounded by the Mt. Holly-Huntersville Road, the driveway into the property, the southern boundary of the cemetery, and the western edge of the property be designated), is hereby designated as historic property pursuant to Part 3B, Article 19, Chapter 160A, of the General Statutes of North Carolina.

2. That said designated property may be materially altered, restored, moved, or demolished only following the issuance of a Certificate of Appropriateness from the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Historic Properties Commission. An application for a Certificate of Appropriateness authorizing the demolition of said property may not be denied. However, the effective date of such a Certificate may be delayed in accordance with Chapter 160A, Article 19, Part 3B, 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 property that does not involve a change of design, material, or outer appearance thereof, nor to prevent or delay the making of emergency repairs, nor to prevent or delay the construction, reconstruction, alteration, restoration, demolition or removal of any such feature when a building inspector of 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 owner from making any use of this property not prohibited by other statutes, ordinances, or regulations.

4. That a suitable sign may be posted indicating that said property has been designated 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 the owners of the structure known as "St. Mark's Episcopal Church" and a portion of the land associated therewith be given the 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 Inspection Department, Mecklenburg County Register of Deeds, and the Tax Supervisor, as required by applicable law.

6. That which is designated as historic property shall be subject to Chapter 160A, Article 19, Part 3B, and any amendments to it and any amendments hereinafter adopted.

Approved as to form:

*[Signature]*  
County Attorney

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Adopted by the Mecklenburg County Board of Commissioners on Sept. 19, 1983.

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA  
COUNTY OF MECKLENBURG

I, Norma J. Evans, Deputy Clerk to the Board of County Commissioners of Mecklenburg County, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the Board of County Commissioners of Mecklenburg County, North Carolina, in a meeting held September 19, 1983, adopted the foregoing Ordinance recorded in full in Minute Book No. 28.

Witness my hand and the official seal of said Board, this 21st day of October, 1983.



*[Signature]*  
Deputy Clerk to the Board

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