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**Ordinance designating as an Historic Landmark a property known as the "Sloan-Porter House" (listed under Tax Parcel Number 11317102 in the Mecklenburg County Tax Office, Charlotte, North Carolina as of February 1, 2016 and including the interior and exterior of the house, the land, and all features of Tax Parcel Number 11317102). The property is owned by Brian S. Clarke and Christine Elizabeth Mille Clarke, and is located at 10124 Walkers Ferry Road, Mecklenburg County, North Carolina.**

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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 15<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2016, on the question of designating a property known as the Sloan-Porter House 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 8<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2016, on the question of designating a property known as the Sloan-Porter House as an historic landmark; and



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WHEREAS, the Sloan-Porter House is a rare and good example of the evolution of rural built environment in Mecklenburg County during the nineteenth century; and

WHEREAS, the Sloan-Porter House remains remarkably intact inside and out, with almost all of the historic woodwork in place and unaltered; and

WHEREAS, the Sloan-Porter House is an increasing rare example of a nineteenth century farmhouse that remains in its original rural setting; and

WHEREAS, the original log house, built ca. 1810 by Alexander Porter is one of the oldest surviving houses in Mecklenburg County and one of the few surviving homes early years of the nineteenth century; and

WHEREAS, the original log house, with its massive hand-hewn logs and half-dovetail notches, is a fine example of the early building techniques used in the North Carolina Piedmont and Mecklenburg County; and

WHEREAS, the Sloan-Porter House is associated with two prominent families of western Mecklenburg County, the Porters and the Sloans. Both families were among the very early settlers of western Mecklenburg County (arriving in the 1750s) and helped shape and lead the community that grew up around Steele Creek Presbyterian Church; and

WHEREAS, the Sloan-Porter House is one of a dwindling number of historic residences in the Dixie-Berryhill/Steele Creek area and is a significant reminder of the historic character of the Dixie-Berryhill/Steele Creek area; and

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

WHEREAS, the property known as the Sloan-Porter House is owned by Brian S. Clarke, and Christine Elizabeth Mille Clarke.

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

1. That the property known as the "Sloan-Porter House" (listed under Tax Parcel Number 11317102 in the Mecklenburg County Tax Office, Charlotte, North Carolina as of February 1, 2016 and including the house, land, and all features of Tax Parcel Number 11317102) is hereby designated as an 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 at 10124 Walkers Ferry Road, Mecklenburg County, North Carolina. Features of the property are more completely described in the "Survey and Research Report on the Sloan-Porter House" (2015).

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 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 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 "Sloan-Porter 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 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 21st day of March, 2016, by the members of the City

Council of the City of Charlotte, Mecklenburg County, North Carolina.

  
Clerk to City Council

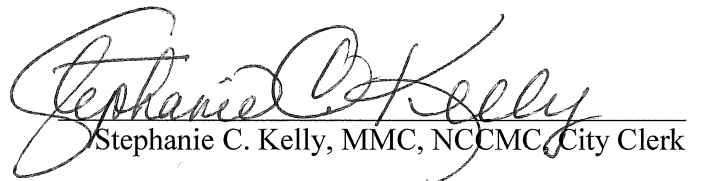
Approved as to form:

  
Senior Assistant City Attorney

**CERTIFICATION**

I, Stephanie C. Kelly, City Clerk of the City of Charlotte, North Carolina, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing is a true and exact copy of an Ordinance adopted by the City Council of the City of Charlotte, North Carolina, in regular session convened on the 21st day of March 2016, the reference having been made in Minute Book 140, and recorded in full in Ordinance Book 59, Page(s) 773-777.

WITNESS my hand and the corporate seal of the City of Charlotte, North Carolina, the 21st day of March, 2016.

  
Stephanie C. Kelly, MMC, NCCMC, City Clerk

