AN ORDINANCE DESIGNATING A PROPERTY KNOWN AS THE "JOHN DINKINS FARM" AS HISTORIC PROPERTY.

WHEREAS, all of the prerequisites to the adoption of this ordinance prescribed in Part 3B, Part 19, Chapter 160 A 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 "John Dinkins Farm" as historic property; and

WHEREAS, the property known as "John Dinkins Farm" borders upon the colonial trading path to the Catawba Indian Nation; and

WHEREAS, the two-story frame structure, known as the "John Dinkins House", still stands on the property known as the "John Dinkins Farm"; and

WHEREAS, the "John Dinkins House" is a remarkably unaltered Federal period dwelling distinguished by well-executed interiors, including handsome mantels, woodgraining, and one of the earliest uses of the "tulip" stair bracket characteristic of Piedmont Federal houses; and

WHEREAS, the "John Dinkins 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 beginning at a nail in Nations Ford Road #1126 a common property line between C & S Company & J. H. Bell, being 1,069.99 feet east of Southern Railroad spur track (see map book 4 page 573), thence from said point of beginning four new lines: 1) N170-29'49"W 430.87 feet to an iron 2) N250-32'43"E 439.51 feet to an iron 3) N570-31'00"E 142.06 feet to an iron 4) Crossing Nations Ford Road S19'49"-39"E 969.16 feet to an iron in a common property line between C & S Company & J. H. Bell; thence with six lines of said common line. 1) S530-08-23W 190.0 feet to an iron 2) N39-20-40W 311.26 feet to a railroad spike in Nation Ford
Road, thence with Nations Ford Road 3) S50°-15-32W 25.02 feet to a railroad
spike 4) S54-46-40W 25.04 feet to a railroad spike 5) S59°-03-33W 50.00 feet
to a railroad spike 6) and S60°-53-12W 87.69 feet to the point of beginning, is
hereby designated as historic property pursuant to Part 3B, Article 19, Chapter

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:

County Attorney