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AN ORDINANCE DESIGNATING A BUILDING KNOWN AS"OAK ROW" LOCATED ON THE DAVIDSON COLLEGE CAMPUS IN DAVIDSON, NORTH CAROLINA AS HISTORIC PROPERTY.

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 Davidson Town Board 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 18th day of July, 1977, on the question of designating the exterior of the building known as "Oak Row" as historic property; and

WHEREAS, the building known as "Oak Row" is among the more architecturally significant ante-bellum edifices which survive in Mecklenburg County; and

WHEREAS, the building constitutes part of the original campus of a regionallyimportant institution of higher education; and

WHEREAS, the Charlotte Mecklenburg Historic Properties Commission has demonstrated the historic significance of the building known as "Oak Row;" and

WHEREAS, the Division of Archives and History of the North Carolina Department of Cultural Resources has endorsed the findings of the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Historic Properties Commission; and

WHEREAS, the building known as "Oak Row" is owned in fee simple by Row College;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Davidson Town Board of Davidson, Clark

- 1. That the exterior of the structure commonly known as "Oak Row" located on the Davidson College Campus in Davidson, North Carolina in Mecklenburg County, is hereby designated as historic property pursuant to Part 3B, Article 19, Chapter 160A of the General Statutes of North Carolina.
- 2. That said building 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.

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- 3. That nothing in the ordinance shall be construed to prevent the ordinary maintenance or repair of any exterior architectural feature in or on the said building or property that does not involve a change of 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, ordinance, or regulations.
- 4. That a suitable sign shall be posted indicating the said building and property's designation as historic property and containing any other appropriate information. If the owner consents, the sign shall be placed upon the said building or property. If the owner objects, the sign shall be placed on a nearby public right of way.
- 5. That the owners and occupants of the building and property known as "Oak Row" 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 Town Clerk, Davidson, North Carolina, the Mecklenburg County Building Inspection Department and the Tax Supervisor as required by applicable law.

approved as to form:

Town Attorney