KENTUCKY HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY

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1. Historic Name (s) Robert May House		22. ADD/County Jefferson/Jefferson	
Original Owner Robert H. May		23. Zoning Classification	
Present Name		Magisterial District	
		24. U.S.G. S. Quadrant (15'/75')	
3. Owner's Name		Anchorage	
Rufus C. Jr. and Gayle G. King		25. UTM Reference	1
4. Owner's Address 11104 Owl Creek Lane, Anchorage, Ky.		16 62 7 00 0	4 2 3 5 7 7 0
5. Location	ane, Anchorage, ky.	Zone Easting 26. Prehistoric Site	Northing
11104 Ow1 Creek L	ane Anchorage, Ky.		Object tructure
6. Open to Public 7. Visible from road	8. Ownership	Building X	liucture
Yes No X Yes X No	Private	27. District Yes	No X
9. Local Contact/Organization	Local	Name:	•
Anchorage Civic Club	State		
	Federal	28. Significance Evaluation	
10. Site Plan with North Arrow B 22x1 L55	11. Architect		
	Henry Frank	29. Status	Date
	12. Builder	National Landmark	
	Henry Frank	National Register Landmark Certificate	
	Ca. 1910	Kentucky Survey	1976
	14. Style	Local Landmark	
		HABS/HAER	
	15. Original Use	30. Theme	
	Dwelling	Primary Architectu	re ,
`	16. Present Use	Secondary	
See boundary description	Dwelling	Other	
and aerial photo	17. Condition Interior Excellent	1	es lo X
	Exterior Excellent	32.	10 A
18. Description	Exectione	1	
A two-and-one-half story house with stucco and		۸ ا	TTACH
half-timbering. The multi-gabled roof is		P	ното
pierced with dormers. The structure is of fire-			
proof construction with concrete and hollow tile			
used. The interior woodwork is of mahogany. A		1	
stone bridge gate forms the entrance to the well landscaped property. A stone and half-timber			
springhouse is on the property.			
19. History		1	
This residence was built for Robert May, an		1	
engineer who constructed railroads in Cuba and			
South America. He was also a member of the Town			
Board of Anchorage. The Mays lived in the			
Geiger house on this site, while constructing		Roll No.	
their residence. The Geiger house was razed. According to oral tradition Henry Frank designed		Picture No.	
and built the May house.	Henry Frank designed	Direction	
20. Significance		33. Tape No.	Vegative No.
		34. Prepared by:	
century architecture in a Revival style. The		Marcia Dalton,	Mary Oppel
setting and entrance gate and bridge contribute		Elizabeth F. Jo	
to the visual streetscape.		35. Organization Jefferson County Offic of Historic Preservation	
			mber 1979
21. Source of Information Infforcen County (KV) Deed B	ooks	37. Revision Dates	38. Staff Review
Jefferson County (KY) Deed B Hallenberg, Anchorage			
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Additional Information Requested by NPS

JF-604 Robert May House 11104 Owl Creek Lane

December 21, 1982

Significance

The Robert May house is a significant example of the eclecticism frequently demonstrated in the architecture of the early twentiethcentury. Henry Frank, believed to be the designer and builder of the house, was an influential figure in early twentieth-century architecture in Anchorage and designed a number of houses in revival styles. In the May house Frank drew upon a variety of these modes, creating a house similar to the Eustace Williams house (JF601) in its eclecticism. Tudor influences can be seen on the May house, with dormers piercing the multi-gabled roof and half-timbering decorating the stuc-There are also some of the same elements which appear coed facade. on the Anchorage School (JF611, NR 1980) and the Citizens National Life Insurance Building (626, NR 1977). Tile also forms an integral part of the structure. It embellishes the jagged rooflines, and Frank used tile and concrete as a fireproof method of construction. Also worthy of note is the fine mahogany woodwork on the interior, and the entrance gate, bridge, and stone and half-timber springhouse which contribute to the visual streetscape.

Boundary Description

The boundary of the Robert May house site comprises Lot 480 and Lot 55 of County Block 22. The nominated site contains approximately 9.5 acres and includes the house, entrance gate, bridge, and springhouse.