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United States Department of the Interior  
National Park ServiceNational Register of Historic Places  
Registration Form

This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations of eligibility for individual properties or districts. See instructions in *Guidelines for Completing National Register Forms* (National Register Bulletin 16). Complete each item by marking "x" in the appropriate box or by entering the requested information. If an item does not apply to the property being documented, enter "N/A" for "not applicable." For functions, styles, materials, and areas of significance, enter only the categories and subcategories listed in the instructions. For additional space use continuation sheets (Form 10-900a). Type all entries.

## 1. Name of Property

historic name Russell-Heath House

other names/site number

## 2. Location

street & number SC Hwy. 522, W of its intersection w/County Rd. 2088 ☐ not for publicationcity, town Stoneboro ☒ vicinity

state South Carolina code SC county Kershaw code 055 zip code

## 3. Classification

## Ownership of Property

- ☒ private  
☐ public-local  
☐ public-State  
☐ public-Federal

## Category of Property

- ☒ building(s)  
☐ district  
☐ site  
☐ structure  
☐ object

## Number of Resources within Property

Contributing	Noncontributing
1	buildings
1	sites
2	structures
	objects
	Total

Name of related multiple property listing:

Number of contributing resources previously  
listed in the National Register 0

## 4. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended, I hereby certify that this  
☒ nomination ☐ request for determination of eligibility meets the documentation standards for registering properties in the  
National Register of Historic Places and meets the procedural and professional requirements set forth in 36 CFR Part 60.  
In my opinion, the property ☒ meets ☐ does not meet the National Register criteria. ☐ See continuation sheet.

Mary W. Edmonds

Signature of certifying official

Mary W. Edmonds, Deputy SHPO, SC Department of Archives &amp; History, Columbia, SC

State or Federal agency and bureau

In my opinion, the property ☐ meets ☐ does not meet the National Register criteria. ☐ See continuation sheet.

Signature of commenting or other official

Date

State or Federal agency and bureau

## 5. National Park Service Certification

I, hereby, certify that this property is:

- ☒ entered in the National Register.  
☐ See continuation sheet.  
☐ determined eligible for the National  
Register. ☐ See continuation sheet.  
☐ determined not eligible for the  
National Register.  
☐ removed from the National Register.  
☐ other, (explain:)

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Signature of the Keeper

Date of Action

## 6. Function or Use

Historic Functions (enter categories from instructions)

Domestic/Single Dwelling

Domestic/Secondary Structure

Current Functions (enter categories from instructions)

Domestic/Single Dwelling

Domestic/Secondary Structure

## 7. Description

Architectural Classification

(enter categories from instructions)

Late 19th & 20th Century Revivals

Classical Revival

Materials (enter categories from instructions)

foundation Stone

walls Wood / Weatherboard

Asbestos

roof Asphalt

other Stone /Granite

Brick

Describe present and historic physical appearance.

The Russell-Heath House (c. 1830, significantly remodeled c. 1906) is located in the rural community of Stoneboro in northern Kershaw County. The house is architecturally significant as a renovation of a late Federal residence to reflect an eclectic early twentieth century style.

### Additional Information

The main block of the house is a two-story, rectangular structure with a lateral gable roof and a one-story, gable-roof wing. The building has wooden clapboard siding with a brick pier foundation. It has a three-bay east (main) facade with a central entry, single door with transom, flanked by paired windows on both floors. This facade has a projecting portico with four, square, freestanding, double-height, granite pillars (each a single piece of approximately twenty-foot quarried stone) with granite abacuses and a two-over-two-light double-hung sash window in the pedimented gable. A slightly recessed porch is located on the first floor and a cantilevered balcony on the second floor. Both feature balustrades composed of turned balusters and square posts extending the length of the portico. A granite staircase descends from the porch to the lawn. A one-story, L-shaped, hipped roof porch in the ell has been enclosed and covered with asbestos siding. The house has four chimneys: three exterior wall chimneys in the main block have two-story, cut granite block shafts with brick stacks and corbeled stacks. The interior brick chimney has a corbeled cap. All windows have been replaced (c. 1906) with two-over-two double-hung sash, and most doors have large glass panels and egg and dart molding. Solid granite piers are located outside the north facade where a wooden terrace was located until the mid-twentieth century.

The major exterior changes in the c. 1906 renovation were the replacement of the porch with present double-height portico, addition of the east terrace, changing the single windows on the east facade, the removal of the southwest chimney of the main block its replacement with two paired windows in the present dining room, and the rebuilding of the exterior chimneys.

The main block of the house originally had a central hall double pile plan (still evident on the second floor). The interior plan of the first floor

## 8. Statement of Significance

Certifying official has considered the significance of this property in relation to other properties:

☐ nationally ☐ statewide ☒ locally

Applicable National Register Criteria ☐ A ☐ B ☒ C ☐ D

Criteria Considerations (Exceptions) ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐ E ☐ F ☐ G

Areas of Significance (enter categories from instructions)

Architecture

Period of Significance

c. 1830- c. 1906

Significant Dates

c. 1830

c. 1906

Cultural Affiliation

N/A

Significant Person

Architect/Builder

Unknown

State significance of property, and justify criteria, criteria considerations, and areas and periods of significance noted above.

The Russell-Heath House is significant as an example of an early twentieth century eclectic alteration of an early nineteenth century Federal farmhouse, and for its association with Stewart W. Heath, a prominent businessman of Lancaster and Kershaw Counties.

It was built c. 1830 by William Russell, Jr., and passed through a succession of owners until 1869, when it was acquired by James R. Magill (1828-1907), a prominent farmer and politician of Kershaw County. Magill served a term in the South Carolina House of Representatives and several terms in the South Carolina Senate from 1887 to 1893, and also served as postmaster of Russell Place/Magill Post Office, on this property, from 1871 to 1886. In 1905 he sold the house to Stewart W. Heath (1871-1926), who operated a granite quarry approximately two miles north of this property (which eventually gave the community its present name of Stoneboro). Though the granite was first transported by wagons to Heath Springs, in 1906 Heath built a six-mile railroad which ran northeast from the quarry to the town. Soon after he acquired the property, Heath made significant interior and exterior alterations, including the unusual replacement of the original portico columns with granite pillars. Both the operation of Stoneboro quarry and Heath's ownership of the house were short-lived, as Heath declared bankruptcy in 1913 and moved to Fairfield County. The property later passed to Springs Banking and Mercantile Company and then to Elliott White Springs, prominent textile entrepreneur. In 1939 it was purchased by John H. Small and his son J.A. Small. The younger Small's widow lives in the house today.(1)

### NOTES

(1) "William Russell Family of Lancaster County, S.C.," unpublished typescript, Lancaster County Public Library, Lancaster, S.C.; Viola C. Floyd Files, Lancaster County Public Library, Lancaster, S.C.; N. Louise Bailey, Mary L. Morgan, and Carolyn R. Taylor, Biographical Directory of

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## 9. Major Bibliographical References

### Previous documentation on file (NPS):

- ☐ preliminary determination of individual listing (36 CFR 67) has been requested
- ☐ previously listed in the National Register
- ☐ previously determined eligible by the National Register
- ☐ designated a National Historic Landmark
- ☐ recorded by Historic American Buildings Survey # \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ recorded by Historic American Engineering Record # \_\_\_\_\_

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### Primary location of additional data:

- ☒ State historic preservation office
- ☐ Other State agency
- ☐ Federal agency
- ☐ Local government
- ☐ University
- ☐ Other

### Specify repository:

SC Department of Archives & History,  
Columbia, SC

## 10. Geographical Data

Acreage of property 3.2 acres

### UTM References

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### Verbal Boundary Description

The boundary of the nomination is shown as the black line on the accompanying Kershaw County Tax Map 023, Parcel 1, drawn at a scale of 1" = 400'.

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### Boundary Justification

The nominated property includes the historic house and outbuilding and their immediate settings.

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was partially redesigned during the c. 1906 renovation to the present, late nineteenth century open plan. The walls in the central hall and between the present living room and dining room were removed, creating a large space bisected by an L-shaped staircase with built-in seating nook and columnar divider. The one-story rear ell contains two rooms. Original Federal mantels, from the period of construction, remain in the upstairs bedrooms and two rooms of the first floor. The northeast room in the main block has a particularly fine Federal denticulated and gougework mantel. The main living-dining space has features from the c. 1906 remodeling such as beaded-board detailing and a large faux granite mantel. Another stuccoed brick corbeled mantel from this period is located in the rear ell. Other interior evidences (beaded-board wainscot and ceilings) of the c. 1906 renovation are found throughout.

The grounds surrounding the house were extensively landscaped with cedar, mock orange, oak trees, and smaller flowering bushes and plants (mostly destroyed by Hurricane Hugo, 21-22 September 1989), and landscape features such as granite and wood picket fences and granite borders. The majority of these granite gate posts, fence posts, and coping remain, delineating the boundaries of planting beds and walkways.

Located to the west and south of the house are two, small, early twentieth century, vertical plank sheds which are contributing resources associated with the property.

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Name of property: Russell-Heath House

Location of property: Kershaw County, South Carolina

Photographer: South Carolina Department of Archives & History Staff

Location of negative: South Carolina Department of Archives & History

Date of photograph: June 1989

1. Facade, right oblique
2. Detail of portico, with granite steps and pillars
3. Right elevation
4. Mantel
5. Living room
6. Stairway, living room