PH0023396 Form 10-300 UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR Georgia (Dec. 1968) NATIONAL PARK SERVICE COUNTY: NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES Muscogee 91 INVENTORY - NOMINATION FORM FOR NPS USE ONLY ENTRY NUMBER (Type all entries - complete applicable sections) 07-10-0005 7/29/69 JUL 18 1969 1. NAME COMMON: NATIONAL Goetchius-Wellborn House REGISTER AND/OR HISTORIC: 2. LOCATION STREET AND NUMBER: 405 Broadway CITY OR TOWN: Columbus STATE COUNTY: CODE CODE Muscogee Georgia 10 215 3. CLASSIFICATION ACCESSIBLE CATEGORY STATUS OWNERSHIP TO THE PUBLIC (Check One) Z Public Public Acquisition: Yes: Building X Occupied 0 Restricted Site Private In Process Unoccupied Structure Being Considered Preservation work Unrestricted Both Object in progress PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate) Agricultural Government Transportation Comments K œ Industrial Private Residence Commercial Other (Specify) Educational Military Religious Museum Scientific Entertainment OWNER OF PROPERTY Z OWNERS NAME: Historic Columbus Foundation, Inc. STREET AND NUMBER: 716 Broadway CITY OR TOWN: STATE: CODE Georgia Georgia Columbus 10 5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC: Muscogee County Court House Deed Book 1221 Page 405 STREET AND NUMBER: Court House Square CITY OR TOWN: CODE Georgia Columbus Muscogee 10 APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY: **3/5 acre** REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS TITLE OF SURVEY: Historic Columbus Building Inventory DATE OF SURVEY: June 1, 1967 Federal 🗍 ENTRY NUMBER State County Local DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RE Columbus Museum of Arts & Crafts, Building Inspector's Office, Columbus STREEE AND MUSICOSE COUNTY Planning Commission Office, Historic Columbus Foundation Headquarters CITY OR TOWN: STATE: CODE Columbus Georgia DATE 10

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Architectural Data

The Goetchius-Wellborn House is similar to New Orleans houses found in the Garden District. The wide veranda across the front once had wrought-iron lacework forming the balustrade and an overhanging canopy of the same black iron lace. It was replaced with wooden columns and bannisters. However, the house retains excellent detailing. It has a wide front hall with stained glass surrounding the front door, high ceilings, and carved cornices. Of special interest is the carving over the arch breaking the center hall. This carving is also over the double doors facing each other leading into the two parlors. Here are ornamental medallions, in an intricate scroll design, on the ceilings in the entrance hall and in the two parlors. This house received a number one rating in the 1%7 Historic Columbus Building Inventory.

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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE (Include Personages, Dates, Events, Etc.)

This home, built by Richard Rose Goetchius, was started in 1839. He came to Columbus directly from New York City and was a member of an old Dutch NewYork family. He soon established himself in business as a very successful architect and builder. He married the locally prominent Miss Mary Anne Bennett. It was for her that he built this beautiful home. They were married on September 11, 1839, and built the house and had six children -- all born in this house. There were five sons and one daughter. The two eldest sons were killed in the War Between the States, one son died in early childhood which left Mr. Henry R. Goetchius, a prominent Columbus lawyer, Dr. George Goetchius, a Prebyterian minister, and the only sister, Mary Goetchius. The two brothers, Henry and George, decided that their sister, Mary, should own the family home, so they gave it to her. She married Mr. Guy McKinley of Milledgeville, Georgia and died at the birth of her daughter, Mary, who married Marshall Wellborn. Mary McKinley Wellborn inherited the house and at her death in 1955, S.M. Wellborn, being an only child inherited it. The house remained in the same family for approximately 125 years. As the house was located on extremely valuable commercial property, it has been necessary to move it to insure its preservation. In 1969, it was given to the Historic Columbus Foundation which in turn made it available to Mr. James W. Woodruff, Jr., Chairman of the Board of the Historic Columbus Foundation. Mr. Woodruff is in the process of moving the house to the above address for restoration and renovation as a personal endeavor. He plans to utilize it as a period restaurant there by converting this property to a Twentieth Century use.

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