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Section 1: Plaquemine Historic District (Boundary Increase)

Section 2: dependencies to 57725 Court St. (207 Court St. in original nomination) APR

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Section 3: SHPO Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended, I hereby certify that the following addendum to the Plaguemine Historic District meets the documentation standards for the National Register and meets the procedural and professional requirements set forth in 36 CFR Part 60. In my opinion, the proposed increase meets the National Register criteria.

4/20/05

Jonathan Fricker, Deputy SHPO

Department of Culture, Recreation and Tourism

Section 5: new contributing buildings count: 95 new non-contributing buildings count: 38

total number of buildings: 133

Part 7 (Description)

The purpose of this addendum is to expand the boundaries of Iberville Parish's Plaquemine Historic District to include two historic dependencies -- a carriage house/stable and a blacksmith shop - associated with one of the district's architectural landmarks. The latter is a large c. 1895 Queen Anne Revival/Eastlake residence located at what is now 57725 Court Street (identified as #72, 207 Court Street in the original inventory). (See original nomination on file with the National Park Service for a photo of #72.) The district, whose nomination form was prepared by the Louisiana Division of Historic Preservation's National Register staff, was listed on October 30, 1989. The original nomination did not include dependencies in the resource count, as is typical and as permitted in National Register guidelines. The boundary is being expanded to include the 57725 Court Street dependencies at this time because the dependencies are important and their owners wish to use the federal tax credit program to assist in their restoration. Division staff members will inventory the district for additional historic dependencies at a later date and submit additional documentation, as warranted, to the National Park Service.

Because nineteenth and early twentieth century town residences such as the Queen Anne Revival house identified in the inventory as number 72 would have been accompanied by one or more dependencies during the historic period, Plaquemine must have once had numerous examples. However, these structures were often not well built and were also subject to demolition or replacement as times changed and they were no longer needed. As a result, the carriage/house stable and blacksmith shop surviving behind the Court Street residence are extremely rare examples of a once common building type.

Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps for Plaquemine covering the years 1896, 1900 and 1906 confirm the

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two dependencies' early dates. In addition, property deeds confirm that the Queen Anne house originally was accompanied by enough land to allow placement of its dependencies at some distance from the residence. Ownership of the house and dependencies was separated when previous owners sold the land where the dependencies were located. Eventually, two houses were constructed on part of the transferred area, facing Court Street, just beyond 72B (see map). The current owners of 57725 Court Street have recently purchased the land upon which the dependencies are located, once again uniting the residence and its dependencies under single ownership. These transfers have resulted in an irregular boundary on the property's north side. This irregularity is reflected in the proposed new district boundary, which follows the property lines.

As presently listed, the Plaquemine Historic District contains a total of 129 resources, of which 93 are contributing and 36 are non-contributing elements. The addition of the two dependencies will raise the contributing element count to 95. To avoid very irregular boundary lines, two non-contributing dependencies to 57725 Court Street will also be included (see map). This will raise the number of non-contributing elements to 38 and the total number of resources to 133. The percentage of non-contributing elements within the district will rise from 28 to 29 percent.

Inventory of Added Buildings

- 72A. Carriage House/Stable (contributing element). Unstyled, rectangular, two-story frame building, built between 1900 and 1906, with storage space for carriages and stables for horses on its lower level. The smaller upper story, not quite half the size of the level below, contains living space for servants. An umbrella-like metal roof extends well beyond the first story walls on two sides to provide protection from the elements. The second story roof also exhibits a notable overhang. The carriage house/stable retains all its original openings, most importantly, those on the ground story.
- 72B. Blacksmith Shop (contributing element). Rectangular, one-story frame building (in place by 1896) with dirt floor. It is sheathed on three sides by vertical planks. The fourth side is open, allowing the thick posts and brackets supporting the structure's metal roof to be easily seen.
- 72C. Garage (non-contributing element). One-story frame structure, composed of vertical board walls and a metal roof, which appears to be less than fifty years old. It is not shown on the Sanborn Fire Insurance Map for 1950.
- 72D. Chicken Coop (non-contributing element). Small, square, frame structure with vertical board and lattice walls and metal roof. It does not appear to be fifty years old and also is not shown on the Sanborn Fire Insurance Map for 1950.

Part 9: BIBLIOGRAPHY

Property deeds; copies in National Register file.

1896, 1900, 1906 and 1950 Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps for Plaquemine, Louisiana.

Site visit by National Register staff.

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Part 10: Geographical Information

The boundary increase involves less than an acre; so there is no change to the USGS map or UTMs.

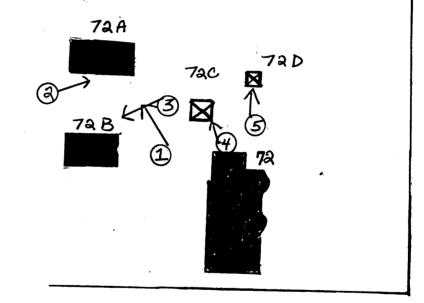
The boundary increase is shown as a solid line on the attached district map.

Justification: Boundaries were chosen to encompass the dependencies to bldg #72. Their irregular nature is explained in Part 7 (above).

Plaquemine Historic District Boundary Increase

Photo Map (Iberuille Parish, LA)





Church Street

Court Street

Contributing Element



Non-Contributing Element



