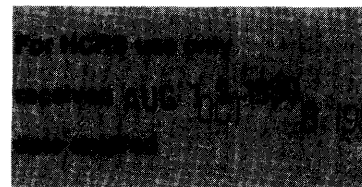


**United States Department of the Interior
Heritage Conservation and Recreation Service**

**National Register of Historic Places
Inventory—Nomination Form**

See instructions in *How to Complete National Register Forms*
Type all entries—complete applicable sections



1. Name

historic Aldrich-Genella House

and/or common same

2. Location

street & number 4801 St. Charles Avenue _____ not for publication

city, town New Orleans _____ vicinity of _____ congressional district 2nd-Lindy Boggs

state La _____ code 22 _____ county Orleans _____ code 071

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use	
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> museum
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input type="checkbox"/> commercial	<input type="checkbox"/> park
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> educational	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private residence
<input type="checkbox"/> site	Public Acquisition	Accessible	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> religious
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input type="checkbox"/> in process	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government	<input type="checkbox"/> scientific
	<input type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> other:

4. Owner of Property

name Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Wadick

street & number 4801 St. Charles Avenue

city, town New Orleans _____ vicinity of _____ state La

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Notarial Archives

street & number

city, town New Orleans _____ state La

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

title La. Historic Sites Survey _____ has this property been determined eligible? _____ yes no

date 1980 _____ federal state _____ county _____ local

depository for survey records La State Historic Preservation Office

city, town Baton Rouge _____ state La

7. Description

Condition		Check one	Check one	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input type="checkbox"/> original site	
<input type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> altered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> moved	date <u>December 1979</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed			

Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

The Aldrich-Genella House was recently moved approximately 200 feet to its present location at the front of a large lot on St. Charles Avenue. It was originally at the rear of the lot with a large garden in front. After the property was taken over by Rugby Academy, a modern school was built at the front of the lot and the house was hidden. The school was recently demolished to permit the move, and the rear of the lot was subdivided and developed. This move cannot be viewed as an adverse effect upon the resource because it improved the setting of the house. Moreover, given the value of real estate along St. Charles Avenue, it was the only financial scenario which would have permitted the house to be saved.

The house itself was built in 1866 as a three bay, two story, gallery fronted, frame structure with a side hall plan. It acquired its present architectural distinction with the renovation of 1878, in which the following features were added:

1. A side wing at the rear giving the plan an "L" shape.
2. A three and one-half story side tower containing an Eastlake staircase. (The original staircase was removed when the tower was built.)
3. A concave slope mansard roof with a separate pavilion roof for the tower.
4. Renaissance Revival inspired details including small round dormers, bold pedimented dormers, arched windows, pilasters, a multi-columner arched front doorway, and mantels with free standing columns.

In the early twentieth century one of the 1878 mantels was replaced with a large mantel in the Jacobean style. The only other major change in the 1878 design has been the installation of bathrooms and closets on the second story.

8. Significance

Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400–1499	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-historic	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
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<input type="checkbox"/> 1900–	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)
	<input type="checkbox"/> invention			

Specific dates 1866, 1878 **Builder/Architect** 1866—Thomas Brown Wright
1878—Renovation

Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

Criterion C

The Aldrich-Genella House is significant in the area of architecture as probably the finest residential example of Second Empire architecture in the state. In all likelihood it is the only example in Louisiana which has all of the following features:

1. A fully articulated side tower with its own pavilion mansard roof
2. A full two and one-half story height which reaches three and one-half stories at the tower
3. A wide variety of windows including four different dormer designs
4. A side wing which is played off against the tower to give a boldly three dimensional effect

9. Major Bibliographical References

Kirk, Susan F., and Smith, Helen Michele, St. Charles Avenue: Twilight of An Area, Fred Perry and Company, Metairie, Louisiana, 1976.

UTM NOT VERIFIED
ACREAGE NOT VERIFIED

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property approx. 1/2 acre

Quadrangle name _____

Quadrangle scale _____

UMT References

A

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Verbal boundary description and justification

See attached plat map

List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

state	code	county	code

state	code	county	code

11. Form Prepared By

name/title Roulhac Toledano, Director

organization Preservation Resource Center date December 1979

street & number 5360 Chestnut Street telephone 504-891-9724

city or town New Orleans state La

12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification

The evaluated significance of this property within the state is:

national state local

As the designated State Historic Preservation Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the Heritage Conservation and Recreation Service.

State Historic Preservation Officer signature *[Signature]*

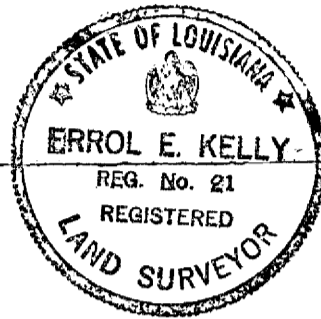
title State Historic Preservation Officer date 5/23/80

For HCERS use only	
I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register	
<i>[Signature]</i>	date <u>5/23/80</u>
Keeper of the National Register	date <u>5/23/80</u>
Attest:	date
Chief of Registration	

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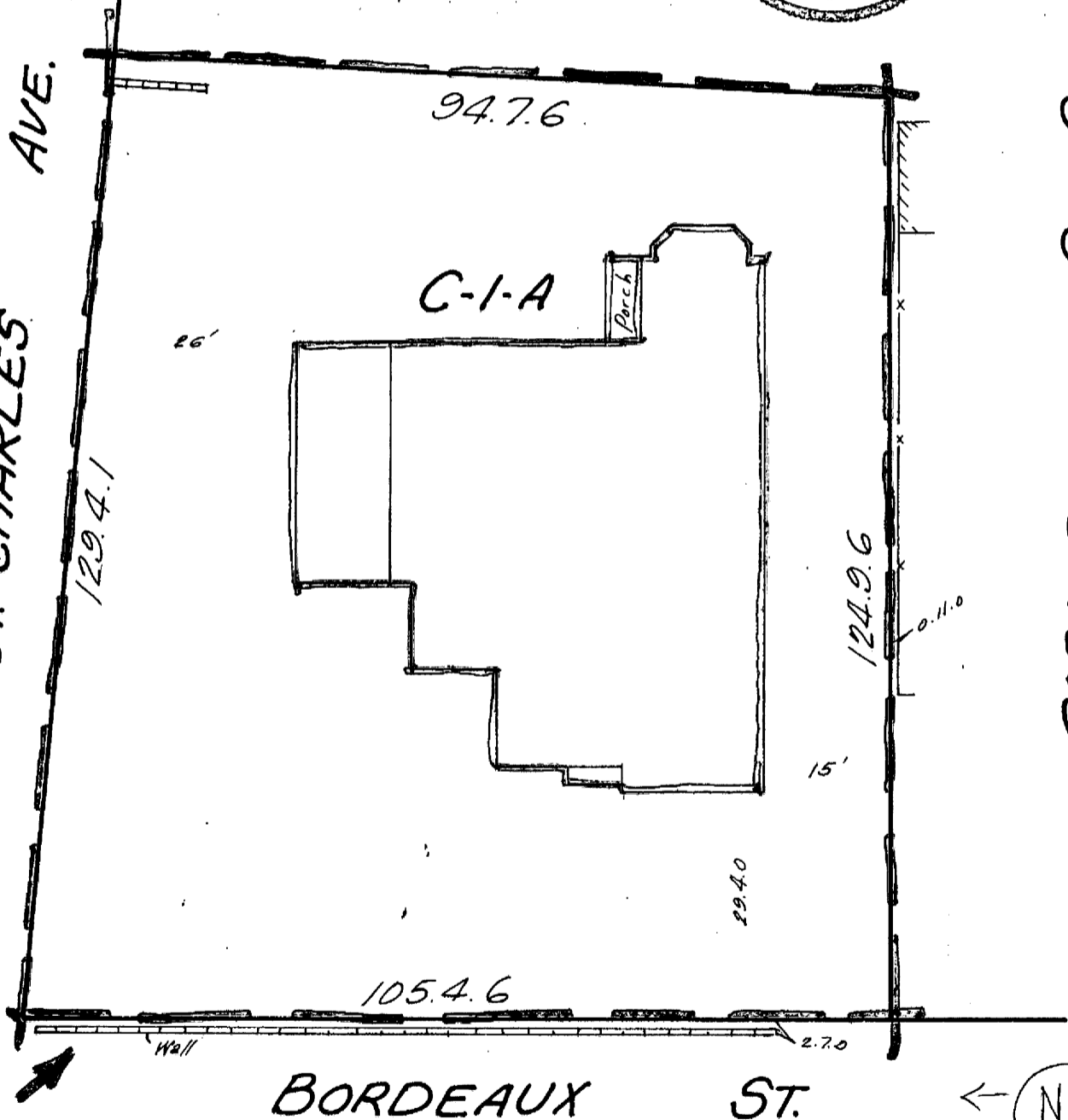
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UPPERLINE ST. SIDE



ST. CHARLES
AVE.

CARONDELET ST. SIDE



New Orleans, La.
Dec. 7, 1979

Survey certified correct. Made at the request
of Mr. & Mrs. James K. Wadick, III, Central Sav. & Loan Ass'n. & Robert S. Black
Gilbert, Kelly & Couturie, Inc., Surveying & Engineering (106-79-2766)

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