KENTUCKY	HISTORIC RESOURCES IN	ENIUKI JE	7-311
1. Historic Name (s) James Brown House		22. ADD/County Jefferson/Jeff	ferson
Original Owner James Brown		23. Zoning Classification	
Present Name		Magisterial District	
Wildwood Farm		24. U.S.G. S. Quadrant (15'/75')	
3. Owner's Name		Louisville Eas	
Mr. & Mrs. Matthew W. Houston		25, UTM, Reference	
4. Owner's Address	w. nouscon	1 1 1	
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5. Location	. 40200	Zone Easting	Northing
Browns Lane 1/10 mi,, north of I 64'		26. Prehistoric Site	Object
6. Open to Public 7. Visible from road 8. Ownership		Historic Site	Structure
	\ \frac{1}{2^{n}}	Building X	v
Yes No X Yes X No		27. District Yes	No X
9. Local Contact/Organization	Local	Name:	
Jefferson County Office of	State		
Historic Preservation	Federal	28. Significance Evaluation	N.
10. Site Plan with North Arrow  11. Architect			
B28 L30	Unknown	29. Status	Date
	12. Builder	National Landmark	
	Unknown	National Register	
	13. Date	Landmark Certificate	
	Ca. 1810-1820	Kentucky Survey	1977
	14. Style	Local Landmark	
	Federal	HABS/HAER	
A) 311 11	15. Original Use	30. Theme	
	Dwelling	Primary Architec	ture
	16. Present Use	Secondary	_ ;
	Dwelling	Other	
See boundary description	17. Condition	31. Endangered	Yes
(page 3) and attached	, Interior		No
aerial photo.	Exterior	32.	
18. Description			
Five bay, 2 story brick house. Flemish bond			ATTACH
front with queen closures at corners. Interior			РНОТО
end chimneys. Windows, 9/6 pane sash with stone		}	
sills and jack arches. Original side lights and			
fan lights were replaced. A 20th century porch			
spans the facade and wraps around the east side			
forming a porte cochere. A two-story wing, a			
20th century addition, extends (SEE NEXT PAGE)			
19. History			
James Brown came to Jefferson County from			
Delaware ca. 1800 and worked at the salt works			
at Mann's Lick. In 1810 he purchased the 480			
acre "plantation and tract of land called the			
Dutch Station" from George R.	C. Floyd. Dutch	Roll No.	
Station (or New Holland Stati	on) was one of the	Picture No.	
early stations on Beargrass C		Direction	
by Dutch pioneers from	(SEE NEXT PAGE)		
20. Significance	The second secon	33. Tape No.	Negative No.
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built hear the historic early settlement of butter		Compl. Take	
Station on land first owned by pioneer John Floyd,		Researcher	
the James Brown house is one of the important		35. Organization Jeffer	son County Offic
carry neases in the country. It was built ca.		of IIiatania Da	eservation
1810-20 by James Brown who came to Kentucky in 1800 and became one of the (SEE NEXT PAGE)		36. Date 18 Sep	tember 1979
21. Source of Information		37. Revision Dates	38. Staff Review
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grass Stations."	rite and the bear-	De.	
grass stations.	(CEE NEVT DACE)	JUL 1 1000	
	(SEE NEXT PAGE)	1980	

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to the south and is set back from the main block.

East of the house is a large stone outbuilding. A small, frame cottage is southeast of the house, further east is a log cabin.

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Pennsylvania. The 1000 acre military survey of Col. John Floyd, the county's first land owner, is identified in early deeds as the Dutch Station Tract.

From 1817 to 1824 James Brown purchased tracts (totalling over 1000 acres) adjoining his original tract. When James Brown died in 1853, his son Arthur received 361 acres with the dwelling, outhouses, etc.

In 1882 Edward S. Monohan purchased the Arthur Brown home farm. John M. Monohan had purchased several tracts of Arthur's land in the 1860s which he left to his nephew Edward S.

Three members of the Monohan family have been directors of the First National Bank of Louisville, and one was the bank president. The house remains in the Monohan family.

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wealthiest men in the county.

The house is a five-bay, two-story brick in Flemish bond with queen closures. The windows have 9/6 sash, stone sills, jack arches. Twentieth-century additions include a porch and large, two-story wing. There are several original outbuildings, the most interesting of which is a two-story stone structure.

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## Additional information requested by NPS

JF311 James Brown House Browns Lane November 16, 1982

### Description

The James Brown house comprises a main block and rear ell (ca. 1810-20) and a twentieth-century wing and porch. The oldest part of the house is a two-story, five-bay brick I-house with a Flemish bond facade and queen closers. There are interior end chimneys. Original sidelights at front door believed to have been replaced, date unknown. Twentieth-century additions include the large front porch which extends into a porte cochere and a two-story brick wing on the southwest. East of the house is a two-story stone smokehouse which dates from the early 1800s.

## History

James Brown's original land purchase of 480 acres included the site of Dutch Station, one of six pioneer forts (ca. 1780) along Beargrass Creek. No traces of the station exist today, nor can its exact location be determined.

# Significance

The James Brown house is significant as one of Jefferson County's early nineteenth-century brick, Federal farmhouses. James Brown, the builder, became a wealthy farmer and slave owner. The Browns were related by marriages to the pioneer Benjamin Lawrence family and to the Meades and Prestons of Virginia. Despite the addition of a large wing and porch in the twentieth-century, the main block remains essentially unaltered.

# Boundary Description

The boundary of the James Brown house nomination is shown as a red line on the attached aerial photo. (SCALE:  $1'' \approx 200'$ ) The nominated site contains approximately  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre and includes the house and stone smokehouse.