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HISTORIC Louisville and Nashville Depot AND/OR COMMON N/A LOCATION **STREET & NUMBER** 206 Henry Street NZANOT FOR PUBLICATION CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT CITY, TOWN N/A VICINITY OF Milton 1 CODE STATE CODE COUNTY Florida 12 Santa Rosa 113 **CLASSIFICATION** CATEGORY **OWNERSHIP** PRESENT USE STATUS __DISTRICT XMUSEUM __AGRICULTURE _XBUILDING(S) X PRIVATE __UNOCCUPIED _COMMERCIAL __PARK ___STRUCTUREВОТН -WORK IN PROGRESS PRIVATE RESIDENCE ___SITE **PUBLIC ACQUISITION** ACCESSIBLE ___ENTERTAINMENT ___RELIGIOUS X_YES: RESTRICTED __OBJECT _IN PROCESS ___GOVERNMENT __SCIENTIFIC BEING CONSIDERED ___YES: UNRESTRICTED _INDUSTRIAL _TRANSPORTATION N/A __NO at ann X OTHER: Social MILITARY **OWNER OF PROPERTY** NAME Santa Rosa County Historical Society STREET & NUMBER Post Office Drawer 786 CITY, TOWN STATE N/A VICINITY OF Milton Florida LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION COURTHOUSE. REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC. Santa Rosa County Courthouse STREET & NUMBER Caroline Street CITY, TOWN STATE Milton Florida **REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS** This property has not been determined elegible. TITLE None DATE ___FEDERAL ___STATE ___COUNTY ___LOCAL N/A **DEPOSITORY FOR** SURVEY RECORDS CITY, TOWN STATE

7 DESCRIPTION

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Louisville and Nashville Depot, Milton, Florida, looks today very much as it did in 1909 when completed. The building follows the standard plans drawn by the L & N Engineering Office for a combination depot. The 1909 building contained a general waiting room, negro waiting room, agent's office, baggage room, and freight room. (See attached floor plan and elevation). Approximate measurements are: freight room, 26' x 75'; baggage room, 26' x 15'; waiting room areas (at widest points in cruciform) 27' x 20'.

The building is wood frame construction with wood clapboard exterior finish. The main depot roof is tiled; the freight room has a composition shingle roof and never was tiled. The Historical Society added steel roof supports in the 1970s to give extra strength when they repaired the roof. When repainting the structure, the Society duplicated the original paint scheme, steel blue/grey for the base area of vertical siding, olive green for the horizontal siding, and white trim.

Minor modifications have been made to the interior over the years. The railroad added bathrooms to the building. Also, they changed the location of a counter to add more space to the agent's office, thus decreasing the size of the waiting room. Otherwise, the building remains intact. All interior walls and ceilings are beaded, tongue and groove pine siding, painted white and green, the original color combination.

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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The L & N depot in Milton, Florida (Santa Rosa County), is typical of the combination freight and passenger stations that were constructed to serve small communities. Although the building is not one-of-a-kind, its importance lies in commonality. It is typical of stations that provided and important communication and economic link with the rest of the region.

The railroad purchased the site of the depot in 1891 from the Pensacola and Atlantic Railroad Company (Deed Book B, p. 1-68). The depot, the community's second, was constructed in 1909. The depot's plan follows the standard L&N Engineer's Office outline for a "Special combination station", with little or no deviation from the suggested appearance. Cost for a station like this was \$3800.-\$4200. without the platforms (letter, Thomas to Olcott). The L&N Railroad continued to use the depot until 1966 when it discontinued regular service to Milton. In 1975, the Santa Rosa County Historical Society purchased the deteriorating building from the railroad and began restoration work (OR Book 328,pp. 746-48).

The railroad served as an important economic and social link between this community and other cities, including Pensacola. Visiting dignitaries, such as Governor Parle Trammel in 1916, usually arrived here and held public gatherings (King, **p. 1**26). The freight station also served as a central receiving and distribution point for necessary goods for the community, both shops and industry.

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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Beginning at a point in the west line of Kent Street, fifty (50) feet northwestwardly from and at right angles to the centerline of the main track of the Mobile Division formerly the Pensacola and Atlantic Division of the railroad of the Grantor at Valuation Station 3337+50.78, which point is three hundred eighty-eight and twenty-eight hundredths (388.28) feet measured northeastwardly along the centerline of said main track from Mile Post 670 from Louisville, Kentucky; thence southwestwardly along a line fifty (50) feet northwestwardly from and parallel to the centerline of said main track a distance of two hundred nine and thirty-two hundredths (209.32) feet to a point opposite Valuation Station 3335+41.46; thence northwestwardly forming an interior angle of 72 50'20" with said last described line, a distance of one hundred sixty and fifty-nine hundredths (160.59) feet to a point opposite Valuation Station 3335+88.84; thence northeastwardly forming an interior angle of 90 00' with said last described line, a distance of two hundred (200) feet to a point in the west line of said Kent Street, opposite Valuation Station 3337+79.94; thence southeastwardly along the west line of said Kent Street, forming an interior angle of 90 00' with said last described line, a distance of ninety-eight and eighty- three hundredths (98.83) feet to the point of beginning, and forming an interior angle of 107 09' 40" with the first hereinabove described line, containing five hundred ninety-five thousandths (0.595) acre, more or less, being a part of the same property conveyed to the Grantor from the Pensacola and Atlantic Railroad Company by Edward T. Hunt, Master Commissioner for the Circuit Court of the United States of America by deed dated June 12, 1891, recorded in Deed Book "G", Page 1-68, in the Circuit Court Clerk's Office, Santa Rosa County, Florida.

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The depot has undergone only relatively minor alterations. A train shed, covering the train platform from the front of the depot to the track side, was added shortly after the depot was constructed. It was removed in 1970. Other minor modifications have been made to the passenger portion of the depot. The railroad added restrooms to the building, and changed the location of the ticket counter to provide more space for the agent's office. The southeast corner of the depot was extended a like amount to keep from reducing the size of the main waiting room. Otherwise, the interior of the building remains intact. All interior walls and ceilings are beaded tongue and groove pine siding, painted white, gray, and beige in the agent's office; and white, gray, and olive green in the waiting rooms. These are the original color combinations. United States Department of the Interior National Park Service

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The railroad served as an important economic and social link between Milton and other cities, including Pensacola. Visiting dignitaries, such as Governor Park Trammel in 1916, usually arrived at the depot and held public gatherings (King, p126). The freight station also served as a central receiving and shipping point for Milton's shops, industries, and individual citizens. Western Union Telegraph Company and Railway Express Agency offices were also located at the depot.