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DIVISION OF ARCHIVES, HISTORY AND RECORDS MANAGEMENT • FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE

TYPE ALL ENTRIES -- COMPLETE ALL SECTIONS

1 NAME

HISTORIC

Cravero House

AND/OR COMMON

Lewis House

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

1011 Sharar Avenue

CITY, TOWN

Opa-Locka

___ VICINITY OF

STATE

Florida

COUNTY

Dade

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

___ DISTRICT
☒ BUILDING(S)
___ STRUCTURE
___ SITE
___ OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

___ PUBLIC
☒ PRIVATE
___ BOTH

PUBLIC ACQUISITION

___ IN PROCESS
___ BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

☒ OCCUPIED
___ UNOCCUPIED
___ WORK IN PROGRESS
☒ ACCESSIBLE
___ YES: RESTRICTED
___ YES: UNRESTRICTED
___ NO

PRESENT USE

___ AGRICULTURE
___ COMMERCIAL
___ EDUCATIONAL
___ ENTERTAINMENT
___ GOVERNMENT
___ INDUSTRIAL
___ MILITARY
___ MUSEUM
___ PARK
☒ PRIVATE RESIDENCE
___ RELIGIOUS
___ SCIENTIFIC
___ TRANSPORTATION
___ OTHER:

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

Elroy S. Lewis

STREET & NUMBER

1011 Sharar Avenue

CITY, TOWN

Opa Locka

___ VICINITY OF

STATE

Florida

ZIP CODE

33054

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Dade County Courthouse

STREET & NUMBER

73 West Flagler Street

CITY, TOWN

Miami

STATE

Florida

ZIP CODE

33131

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

Dade County Historic Survey

DATE

1981

___ FEDERAL ___ STATE ☒ COUNTY ___ LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

Division of Historical Resources

CITY, TOWN

Tallahassee

STATE

Florida

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION

☐ EXCELLENT
☒ GOOD
☐ FAIR

☐ DETERIORATED
☐ RUINS
☐ UNEXPOSED

CHECK ONE

☐ UNALTERED
☒ ALTERED

CHECK ONE

☒ ORIGINAL SITE
☐ MOVED. DATE _____

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

CRAVERO HOUSE (OLTR #15)

ORIGINAL PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The front elevation of the Cravero House was divided into three bays, consisting of a porte cochere, an entrance, and a double window lending a view from one of the main rooms. The entrance featured double horseshoe arches with wooden railings. The outer jambs of the arches were ornamented by a distressed brick pattern on the carport side and a small window on the outer wall of the opposite arch. The arches were visually set apart from the rest of the facade by an overhang of antique Cuban tiles. The porte cochere was bounded on its three free sides by larger arches which repeated the shape of those found at the entrance. A stucco panel formed the car stall of the side of the porte cochere. The dome surmounting the porte cochere was surrounded by a crenelated parapet of pointed dentils. The opposite end of the house featured a pair of casement windows surrounded by a raised brickwork pattern. Its wall was decorated by a distressed brick pattern, as well as tile vents placed over the windows at the roof line. Contrasting with the crenelated parapet of the porte cochere, the remaining roof line of the facade employed a raised flat parapet over the entrance and a waving line over the west room of the facade, which bowed up slightly at the corners. The west wall of the facade terminated in a straight line that curved to meet a square plinth for a vase, while the wall line of the east end of the facade was formed by a slanted buttress springing from the ground and terminating at the crenelated screen. A chimney cap ornamented with a keyhole-shaped opening completed the profile of the superstructure. At the side of the house, the pointed crenelations over the porte cochere were repeated over the middle of the wall, and the raised brickwork frame of the casement windows on the front of the building was repeated behind the plinth and vase.

PRESENT PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

Modern changes to the building include replacement of the arches and tiled roof at the entrance, painting over the distressed brick patterns, and removal of the dome.

8 SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD		AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input checked="" 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	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION	
<input checked="" 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 1926

BUILDER/ARCHITECT Unknown/B. E. Muller

SIGNIFICANCE

The Cravero House at 1011 Sharar Avenue was designed by Bernhardt E. Muller in September, 1926, for George Cravero. No information is available on the Cravero family. The building was sold in March, 1927, to Harold W. and Hilda Schiorring. Mr. Schiorring was general manager of the Opa-locka Lumber and Hardware that year. In 1928, he became a town councilman and secretary-treasurer of the Opa-locka Growers' Association, an organization founded by Glenn Curtis to encourage the development of gardening and farming in Opa-locka. The Schiorrings owned the house until April, 1933.

9 BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

See Bibliographical Continuation Sheet

10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

Site Size (Approx. Acreage of Property):

.15 acre

UTM Coordinates:

17 574980 2865520
ZONE EASTING NORTHING

Township	Range	Section
52 W	41 W	21

LOCATION SKETCH OR MAP

N

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

Block 38, Lot 19

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE CODE COUNTY CODE

N/A

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N/A

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

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DATE

February, 1987

STREET & NUMBER

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CITY OR TOWN

Coral Gables

STATE

Florida

ZIP CODE

33146