### Supplementary Listing Record

NRIS Reference Number: MP100004134

Date Listed:

8/22/19

Property Name: Manly-Strong House

County: Baldwin

State: AL

This Property is listed in the National Register of Historic Places in accordance with the attached nomination documentation subject to the following exceptions, exclusions, or amendments, notwithstanding the National Park Service certification included in the nomination documentation

50 Signature of the Keeper

Date of Action

Amended Items in Nomination:

The period of significance is corrected to c. 1830, the date of construction of the Gulf Coast Cottage. The level of significance is corrected to local as defined by the Thematic Group Creole and Gulf Coast Cottages in Baldwin County.

The ALABAMA SHPO was notified of this amendment.

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## United States Department of the Interior National Park Service

### National Register of Historic Places Registration Form

This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations for individual properties and districts. See instructions in National Register Bulletin, *How to Complete the National Register of Historic Places Registration Form.* If any item does not apply to the property being documented, enter "N/A" for "not applicable." For functions, architectural classification, materials, and areas of significance enter only categories and subcategories from the instructions.

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- \_\_\_\_\_determined eligible for the National Register
- \_\_\_\_\_determined not eligible for the National Register
- \_\_\_\_removed from the National Register
- other (explain):

Signature of the Keeper

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#### 5. Classification / Ownership of Property: (check as many boxes as apply)

- X Private
- Public-Local
- Public-State
- \_\_\_\_ Public-Federal

Category of Property: (check only one box)

- X Building(s)
- District
- Site
- \_\_\_\_ Structure
- \_\_\_\_ Object

#### Number of Resources Within Property: (do not include previously listed resources in the count)

Contributing	Non-Contributing	
2	5	Buildings
		Sites
		Structures
		Objects
2		TOTAL

Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register

6. Function or Use / Historic Functions: (enter categories from instructions) DOMESTIC/single dwelling

Current Functions: (enter categories from instructions) DOMESTIC/single dwelling

**7. Architectural Classification:** (enter categories from instructions) OTHER: Gulf Coast Cottage

 Materials: (enter categories from instructions)

 Principal exterior materials of the property:
 WOOD/particle board, BRICK

#### **Narrative Description**

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(Describe the historic and current physical appearance and condition of the property. Describe contributing and noncontributing resources if applicable. Begin with **a summary paragraph** that briefly describes the general characteristics of the property, such as its location, type, style, method of construction, setting, size, and significant features. Indicate whether the property has historic integrity.)

#### Summary Paragraph

The Manly-Strong House is a high-style example of the once locally prevalent Gulf Coast Cottage. It was built at the height of the style's popularity along the Eastern Shore of Mobile Bay and features the typical attributes of the form. The Manly-Strong House has a nine-bay façade with full-length, recessed porch underneath a gable roof. It is the traditional one-and-a-half-story profile, made of primarily wood and brick. Unique to the area, it is significantly raised on brick piers and features extra overhanging eaves that serve as the precursor to the notable rain porch. The floor plan is traditional, with a central hallway and exterior chimneys. Remarkably, the original outbuilding is still intact, and features the original interior fireplace.

#### **Narrative Description**

The Manly-Strong House in Daphne, AL, is a single-story wood frame residence resting on a brick pier foundation. The spaces between the piers were infilled at some point prior to 1981, as the original material was painted wood lattice (see undated attached photograph). The front elevation of the residence forms a "U" shape, with two mirror porch wings projecting from the façade. Each porch wing has a pedimented gable roof, with a plain entablature, resting on three square wooden columns. Both porches have been enclosed with screens, although the one on the left was enclosed with glass in 1981, as noted on the Alabama Register of Historic Places application. The central recessed portion of the façade has also been enclosed with a screen. The original balustrades were retained on both of the porches on the wings and the central entrance. Three pedimented dormer windows project from the roof above the central section of the front elevation. These dormers retain operable wood casement windows.

The primary façade is nine bays wide with four 6/6 wood double-hung sash windows with true divided lights, flanking each side of the primary central entrance. The same style windows are present on the front elevation of the wings, and all windows have a wood casement panel below that swings open for accessing the porch. Shutters are present.

A rear porch, which spans the central block of the house, has also been enclosed with a screen and the original balustrade has been retained. The rear roofline also contains three dormer windows. This façade contains a series of 6/6 wood double hung windows with shutters. A set of brick stairs are at the center of the porch.

The interior of the primary house, with wings, is largely intact and reflects the period of significance. Walls and ceilings are finished with painted plaster and the wood floors appear to be original throughout. The exception is the kitchen and bathroom, both of which have new flooring and the ceilings have been lowered. Several rooms have received contemporary upgrades, especially when plumbing was introduced along with a kitchen in the primary house. Several of the ground floor rooms retain floor to ceiling wood wall treatments and a series of exposed fireplaces and mantels remain throughout. Wood wainscoting is also present in various rooms. The original wood central staircase remains and is in great condition. The house currently does not have central air conditioning or heating.

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A detached kitchen and servant's quarters (one building) has been added to the property and is joined to the primary house via a covered walkway. This dual-purpose addition has an exterior of painted wood siding and a series of 6/6 wood double-hung windows. A large chimney remains as part of the kitchen building. Evidence on the rear of the addition indicates that the building originally had a larger porch that was enclosed to create another interior room. With the exception of the exposed brick double-fireplace, the interior finishes have been modernized and reflect an appearance of materials c. 1990.

Even though the property is within the city limits of Daphne, AL, the setting is rural in character with an emphasis on the location of Mobile Bay. Neighboring properties are shielded by vegetation and the residence has a feeling of seclusion. Other than the residence, and kitchen, no other buildings are located on the premises, leaving an uninterrupted space between the shores of Mobile Bay and the primary façade of the residence.

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8. Statement of Significance
Applicable National Register Criteria: (Mark "x" in one or more boxes for the criteria qualifying the property for National Register listing)
A. Property is associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history.
B. Property is associated with the lives of persons significant in our past.
X C. Property embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction or represents the work of a master or possesses high artistic values, or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components lack individua distinction.
D. Property has yielded, or is likely to yield, information important in prehistory or history.
Criteria Considerations: (mark "x" in all the boxes that apply)         A. Owned by a religious institution or used for religious purposes         B. Removed from its original location         C. A birthplace or grave         D. A cemetery         E. A reconstructed building, object, or structure         F. A commemorative property         G. Less than 50 years old or achieving significance within the past 50 years
Areas of Significance: (enter categories from instructions) ARCHITECTURE
Period of Significance: 1830-1920
Significant Dates:
Significant Person: (complete only if Criterion B is marked above)
Cultural Affiliation:
Architect / Builder:

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**Statement of Significance Summary Paragraph:** (Provide a summary paragraph that includes level of significance, applicable criteria, justification for the period of significance, and any applicable criteria considerations.)

The Manly-Strong House is a high-style example of a Gulf Coast Cottage on the Eastern Shore in Daphne, Alabama. This style home is a distinctive form of gulf coast vernacular architecture, and similar to others found throughout Baldwin County. It shares the common features of a one-and-a-half-story gable roof over a recessed, full-façade porch, and an early adaptation of a rain porch. As a Gulf Coast Cottage, the home features a central hallway plan with chimneys placed on the exterior walls. It also shares a common history with several of the properties within Baldwin County. Local history dictates that it was built by a captain, and therefore the home likely has ties to the thriving 19<sup>th</sup> century maritime industry along the Eastern Shore. Although the house is not currently listed in the 1987 Thematic Group Creole and Gulf Coast Cottages in Baldwin County application its historical significance has been recognized by its 1981 listing on the Alabama Register of Landmarks and Heritage through the Alabama Historical Commission.

Narrative Statement of Significance (Provide at least one paragraph for each area of significance.)

#### Thematic Group Creole and Gulf Coast Cottages in Baldwin County

The Manly-Strong House on the eastern shore of Mobile Bay should be considered for inclusion into the 1987 Thematic Group Creole and Gulf Coast Cottage in Baldwin County nomination. The ten homes currently included in the application have been deemed to share a common historical significance and integrity due to their mutual architectural characteristics. The Manly-Strong House shares most of these features and is close in proximity to multiple listed properties. Overall, the homes share the basic characteristics of a one and a half story gable roof profile with a recessed porch covering the full façade<sup>1</sup>. The Manly-Strong House meets these requirements, as well as the characteristics specific to the Gulf Coast Cottage style. These include a central hallway and chimneys placed on the exterior walls as opposed to shared in the center of the floorplan.

Some of the homes in the current creole and gulf coast cottage thematic group possess features that are of local significance. Two of the homes, the Captain Adams-Stone and Fry Houses, feature a raised foundation of brick piers which is uncommon in a rural setting. Notably, it appears that evidence of a precursor to the recognizable "rain porch" can be seen on some of the homes in the form of extended eaves on the roof line. A few of the homes in the county have been set apart as examples of the later, high-style example of the Gulf Coast Cottage for their Greek Revival elements<sup>2</sup>. The Manly-Strong House possess all of these features in addition to the general requirements for acceptance as a Baldwin County example of a Gulf Coast Cottage.

#### Criteria C

The Manly-Strong House, located in Daphne, Alabama, on the shores of Mobile Bay, stands as an excellent example of a local vernacular of Creole and Coastal architecture. The house is classified as an American, or Coastal, Cottage that features Greek Revival and Georgian influences. This style home became popular in the

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Thematic Group Creole and Gulf Coast Cottages in Baldwin County application, Section 8

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Thematic Group Creole and Gulf Coast Cottages in Baldwin County application, Section 8

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coastal Alabama region starting in the 1830s<sup>3</sup>. While national popularity for Creole Cottage/Coastal Cottage style homes is seen from the 1700s to mid-1800s<sup>4</sup>, Creole Cottages and related styles remained popular in the Mobile Bay area into the early 1900s.

The origin of the Creole Cottage style is debated but is often attributed to French Colonial influence with modifications necessitated by local climates. The style is clustered in Louisiana and other Gulf Coast areas, where issues such as flooding, hurricanes, and yellow fever epidemics influenced the way architecture and construction were considered<sup>5</sup>. Typical features of the Creole style include a prominent full-length gallery below a sloping gabled roof, whose interior possessed high ceilings, wide paired doors, and full height casement windows for ventilation. The original Creole Cottage consists of a squarish, four-room plan with access via a full wrap around porch, and no shared access between rooms. It is also marked by central fireplaces and chimneys that would be shared by neighboring rooms<sup>6</sup>. By the 1800s, Georgian and Greek Revival influences to the style lead to the Creole Cottages' successor, the Coastal or American Cottage. The new cottage floor plan kept many of the features of the original, with the addition of a connecting hallway space between rooms and moving the fireplaces to exterior walls. Ornamentation began to favor classical elements of columns, pediments, linteled entryways, and dormers<sup>7</sup>. These cottage styles were the preferred fashion for summer houses of local elites of the Mobile Bay area into the late 19<sup>th</sup> and early 20<sup>th</sup> century<sup>8</sup>.

The Daphne, Alabama area of Baldwin County was home to many of these summer retreats. Daphne is centrally located in the county along the bluffs of Mobile Bay with elevations ranging from sea-level to 120 feet above the bay<sup>9</sup>. Historical records indicate that Spanish explorers utilized the area as early as 1557, and archaeological evidence supports Native American communities dating even further back<sup>10</sup>. In the mid-1700s the area was known as "the Village" and it was used as a meeting place between settlers and natives<sup>11</sup>. The population of the Eastern Shore grew quickly, nearly doubling in size from approximately 2,300 to 4,400 from 1830-1850<sup>12</sup>. The town of Daphne was officially established in 1874, marked by the institution of a post office and postmaster, and it would serve as the Baldwin County seat until 1901<sup>13</sup>. Agriculture was Daphne's first and largest industry and employer<sup>14</sup>. The majority of the area's farming activity was small scale, yeoman farmers versus the larger plantations that dominated areas of the Deep South. After 1820, the cotton industry fueled an economic and population boom throughout Baldwin County<sup>15</sup>. In 1885, immigrant Alesandro Mastro Valerio bought a tract of land in modern day Daphne and invited other Italian families to join him. This invitation lead to a thriving agricultural community that would remain rural until recent times<sup>16</sup>. The Manly-Strong House sits in Daphne on the bluffs of Mobile Bay and is close in proximity to other similar style homes that have previously been

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Thematic Group Creole and Gulf Coast Cottages in Baldwin County application, Sec 7 page 1

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> American Houses, Foster, pg. 163

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> American Houses, Foster, pg. 163

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> American Houses, Foster, pg. 168-170

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> American Houses, Foster, pg. 176

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> The Creole Cottage, Gamble, pg. 40

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> Encyclopedia of Alabama, Daphne

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> City of Daphne website, History page

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> Encyclopedia of Alabama, Daphne

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup> Coastal Kingdom, by O. Lawerence Burnette Jr., 2006, pg. 132

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> City of Daphne website, History page

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>14</sup> Encyclopedia of Alabama, Daphne

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>15</sup> Coastal Kingdom, Burnette, 2006, pg. 133

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>16</sup> A History of Baldwin County, Nuzum, pg. 109

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established as Creole or Coastal Cottage residences as part of a National Register of Historic Places Historic District.

In 1987 a National Register group nomination of Baldwin County Coastal Cottages along the Bon Secour River and Mobile Bay areas was created by the Mobile Historic Development Commission. The Thematic Group Creole and Gulf Coast Cottages in Baldwin County application recognizes a total of ten contributing homes throughout Baldwin County. The group of homes is significant for representing the long lasting popularity of the style in the area and for the appearance of certain Greek Revival features in later, more formal examples<sup>17</sup>. While the Manly-Strong House is not currently listed in the application it shares many characteristics with the applicants and claims the same level of significance. These homes, including the Manly-Strong House, all feature full-length recessed porches beneath sweeping gable roofs, high ceilings, and various design elements that accommodate for ventilation. The majority of the homes also have chimneys on the exterior wall and access to rooms via a central hallway plan<sup>18</sup>. The prominent porches shared by these properties are common along the Eastern Shore of Mobile Bay and are a good example of local adaptations to architecture. They allow for the breezes from the water to move through the home and provide relief from the Southern heat<sup>19</sup>.

The Manly-Strong House also shares some of the more unique, individual qualities of the homes found on the National Register nomination. Of the ten contributing structures, the Manly-Strong House shares specific features with five. The home features a significantly raised, brick foundation that is uncommon in rural examples of the Coastal or Creole Cottage style. However, the nearby Captain Adams-Stone and Fry Houses also sit on raised foundations, meaning the adaptation was preferred by other residents of the area. Another localized architectural feature is the elongated eave which extends the roof line of the Manly-Strong House. This feature is also seen on the McMillan-O'Neal-Nordman House and the Texas-Dryer-Burnell House, both of which can be found in Daphne. It is thought by local architectural historians to be an early, localized adaptation of the recognizable rain porch. This extra eave would have provided further protection from the frequent rain storms of the area. This adaptation would become a popular feature along the Eastern Shore later in the century, and a proper example is represented in the application by the Street House in Point Clear whose construction date is 1906. Notably, the Manly-Strong House still retains a connected outbuilding, referred to on the plans and the photographs as the backhouse. The survival of these structures is rare in Baldwin County, but the Captain Adams-Stone and Walker-Godsby-Warren Houses featured on the current group National Register nomination can also boast of these structures. The floor plans of these outbuildings are all remarkably similar, save for the late addition of a modern bathroom on the Manly-Strong House<sup>20</sup>.

Of all the homes, the Manly-Strong House has the most in common with the three homes located along the Eastern Shore in Daphne: the Captain Adams-Stone House, the Walker-Godsby-Warren House, and the McMillan-O'Neal-Nordman House. The facades of all these homes feature prominent dormers across the gable roof, a façade divided by square columns with similar capitals, and brick piers that originally made the foundation of the homes. The Captain Adams-Stone and Walker-Godsby-Warren Houses are noted as the two finest high-style examples within the application. This is due to their central hall plans and Greek Revival elements like jibbed windows and lightly decorated entablatures. The Manly-Strong House also shares these

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>17</sup> Thematic Group Creole and Gulf Coast Cottages in Baldwin County application, Section 7 pg. 1

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>18</sup> Thematic Group Creole and Gulf Coast Cottages in Baldwin County application, Section 8 pg. 1

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>19</sup> Mobile and the Eastern Shore, Gaillards, pg. 116

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>20</sup> Thematic Group Creole and Gulf Coast Cottages in Baldwin County application, most information gained from individual house inventory sections

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elements, and therefore should be recognized as a high-style example of the Creole Cottage in the area as well<sup>21</sup>. The histories of the homes are also similar and give insight into the community of Daphne during the late 19<sup>th</sup> and early 20<sup>th</sup> century. Mobile Historic Development Commission architectural historian John Sledge is responsible for assembling the 1987 Thematic Group Creole and Gulf Coast Cottages in Baldwin County application, and when asked in 2018 why the Manly-Strong House was not included in the original nomination he recalled that at the time of the survey, the Manly-Strong House was likely between owners, preventing the Mobile Historic Development Commission from gaining access to the property for listing<sup>22</sup>. An application is being developed that will expand the existing National Register of Historic Places Coastal Cottages District to include the property in question.

#### Historic Context

The Manly-Strong House was built prior to the Civil War, however, a record of the land's history exists dating to colonial times. Elias Durnford, known for his role as the chief engineer and surveyor general of the British West Florida colony, owned an approximately 200 acre plantation along the Eastern Shore in the mid-1700s. The Durnford plantation ran from modern day northern Montrose to the southern part of present day Daphne. After Durnford, the land was bought by Cyrus Sibley, and at this point the northern portions of it were sectioned and established as the community of Montrose. The remaining tract of land along the bay then passed into the hands of Scottish born James Campbell and from he to a Mr. and Mrs. Dan Williams who added the acreage to their already extensive land holdings along the Eastern Shore. The record continues with the successful Italian immigrant Cipriano Allegri owning the land along the bay. He was connected to the previously mentioned thriving Italian community established by Valerio, though he lived on the bayfront and owned a saw mill and farm land in Belforest. The land was divided and sold multiple times during and after these exchanges, but in the 1960s it was determined by local historians that the land of the Manly-Strong House and the other private lots surrounding it shared this origin<sup>23</sup>.

Although there is no concrete date of construction, local residents contend that the Manly-Strong House was erected before 1858<sup>24</sup>, and previous owners claim it was built in the 1830s. Previous owners also believe that the house was built by a Captain Don Christabaum, and there is possible evidence of his name carved over one of the mantel pieces in the home. This origin would be similar to other homes in Daphne that are listed in the Coastal Cottage Thematic Group Application, as a few also date to this time period and were built by captains in the thriving maritime industry of the area<sup>25</sup>. The Eastern Shore has long been known as a leisurely locale for affluent Mobile residents. The Manly-Strong House is less than ten miles from Point Clear, home to the Grand Hotel resort since the early 1800s<sup>26</sup>. Summer homes have lined the Eastern Shore of Mobile Bay since antebellum times<sup>27</sup>, and crossing Mobile Bay was the most common route of travelers.

Until the construction of the causeway, and in the 1900s a bridge, across Mobile Bay boats were the preferred method of transportation between Mobile and the Eastern Shore. Steamboats and bay boats ruled the waters and

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>21</sup> Information gathered from Thematic Group Creole and Gulf Coast Cottages in Baldwin County application individual listings
<sup>22</sup> Personal Correspondence with John Sledge

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>23</sup> Daphne, by Florence and Richard Scott, 1965, pg. 25-29

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>24</sup> Alabama Landmarks Application

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>25</sup> Thematic Group Creole and Gulf Coast Cottages in Baldwin County application mentioned in the individual inventories

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>26</sup> A History of Baldwin County, Nuzum, pg. 91

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>27</sup> A History of Baldwin County, Nuzum, pg. 140

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were an important factor of Baldwin County social and economic life. There is no official record of the first steamship to cross between Mobile and the Eastern Shore, but local correspondence first mentions the *Cora* in 1847, and newspaper accounts write of the little steamer *Junior* as early as 1854<sup>28</sup>. There were industrial boats to haul cash crops like cotton as well as luxurious passenger lines<sup>29</sup>. The trip from Mobile to the Eastern Shore across the bay was approximately 15 miles and would have taken a little over an hour to complete. Luxury liners made frequent trips across the waterway, providing a pleasurable experience to begin a summer retreat<sup>30</sup>. For Eastern Shore locals, regular trips to Mobile for groceries or other personal comforts by bay boat were a necessity. Local historians recalled how the cabins of the upper decks were heated in winter, and that a hot breakfast was available on board for the early morning travelers. By the turn of the 19<sup>th</sup> to 20<sup>th</sup> century fare on a bay boat could be found for as cheap as 25 cents per passenger<sup>31</sup>. In the early days of bay boats and steamships there were over six wharves across the Eastern Shore, but by the 20<sup>th</sup> century only three were still frequently used<sup>32</sup>. Though there is no confirmed wharf directly behind the Manly-Strong House, the captains living on Captain O'Neal Drive (modern day Deer Court) would have never been far from one.

Captains of these ships and other vessels in the local maritime industry were respected and admired above all and enjoyed successful careers. Captains of the bay boats along the Eastern Shore were trusted members of their communities. Local residents recall how by the late 1800s it had become common place to give a captain a small sum to run a trivial errand, like pick up small groceries or merchandise, in Mobile<sup>33</sup>. Many of the men on record were very colorful characters, and their legends live on in local lore still. It was common for a captain of the period to own shares in his ship or the company he was employed by, leading to an elite class of shipmen<sup>34</sup>. The wealth gained from the Mobile River's industrial pursuits was often spent on beautiful and fashionable works of architecture, both public and private<sup>35</sup>. The group of homes in Daphne built by the successful captains of the mid-1800s stand today as late, high style examples of the Coastal Cottage, meaning they are more elaborate in design, have an increased square footage, and a few, including the Manly-Strong House, are still accompanied by their original outbuildings.

Based on local primary sources, the next owner of the Manly-Strong House was R. F. Manly, son of Basil Manly of University of Alabama fame. R. F. Manly, known as Fuller Manly, was born in Tuscaloosa in 1845 while his father served as university president. Basil Manly was a Baptist reverend who was given the university position in an attempt to reign in the rowdy students on campus. Basil held the position until 1855, later returning to Alabama to serve as the chaplain for the provisional Congress of the Confederate States during the Civil War<sup>36</sup>. It was during this period that Fuller Manly received the military education and training that would eventually lead to a successful Confederate Army career. Fuller served in the Confederate army for the full conflict, eventually rising in rank to Captain Manly, commanding Company 1 of the 59<sup>th</sup> Alabama Regiment by wars end<sup>37</sup>. After the war, Fuller spent a brief period in Mobile from 1866-68 as a school teacher but returned to Tuscaloosa until

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>28</sup> Daphne, by Florence and Richard Scott, 1965, pg. 65

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>29</sup> A History of Baldwin County, Nuzum, pg. 82

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>30</sup> Mobile and the Eastern Shore, Gaillards, pg. 101

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>31</sup> Montrose, by Florence and Richard Scott, 1959, pg. 113-114

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>32</sup> Daphne, by Florence and Richard Scott, 1965, pg. 69

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>33</sup> Montrose, by Florence and Richard Scott, 1959, pg. 117

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>34</sup> Mobile River, Sledge, pg. 105-106

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>35</sup> Mobile River, Sledge, pg. 95

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>36</sup> Basil Manly Sr., Wikipedia, accessed April 11, 2019, <u>https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Basil Manly Sr.</u>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>37</sup> The Manly Family: An Account of the Descendants of Captain Basil Manly of the Revolution and Related Families, 1930, pg. 177-178

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making the Gulf Coast his official home in 1871. He became a successful banker and established a real estate and insurance firm in Mobile. He was also socially active as a deacon at the St. Francis Street Baptist Church, a member of the Mardi Gras Cowbellion-de-Rakin Society, and secretary of the charitable organization "Can't Get Away Club" whose mission was to stay behind and nurse the sick during yellow fever epidemics in Mobile<sup>38</sup>. Fuller moved to Birmingham in 1889, where his insurance and baking career flourished until his death in 1919<sup>39</sup>. An 1889 map of the Mobile Bay area indicates that an R. F. Manly owned a house on the Eastern Shore, and a later 1925 map identifies the Manly-Strong House as the Deer/Strong/Manly residence. According to the 1891 Baldwin County Probate Court Records Lizzie Hester Manly and her husband Richard Fuller Manly sold the Manly-Strong House to Charity Prince Knott in April of that year<sup>40</sup>.

After the Manly Family, the next family to reside in the Manly-Strong House for a substantial period were the Strongs. There is record of the sale of the house and a surrounding 19 acres to the Strong Family from a Misses Hunt in 1904. At the time, the property extended from Mobile Bay to the main highway. The Strong Family moved to Alabama from New York, and would be successful residents of the area, becoming prominent land owners and extending into the Mobile business industry<sup>41</sup>. After the Strong Family, the home passed through numerous other hands. The residence was purchased from the Strongs by a Mr. and Mrs. C.W. Harrison in 1916<sup>42</sup>. At some point in the 1920s the Deer family came into possession of the property. Residents attribute the wood paneling of the back parlor room to the Deers, as well as the conversion of the front room into a kitchen. Local oral history dictates that the wood paneling may have come from the Claiborne Ferry office out of Monroe County, Alabama.

The Deers likely left the home sometime in the early 1930s, as it was reported in a Fairhope newspaper that the Meador Family of Mobile had purchased the home in 1941. Meador purchased the home from New York City businessman Rice Gaither, who had left the home unoccupied for almost a decade<sup>43</sup>. The Meadors are responsible for the property's 1981 listing on the Alabama Heritage and Landmarks Inventory and Baldwin County Register of Historic Places. The currents owners, the Barnettes, purchased the home from the Meador Family in 2018 and currently reside within the historic house. The Manly-Strong House should be considered for its contribution to a unique, coastal vernacular style of architecture and its representation of the lifestyle of late 19th and early 20th century Baldwin County, Alabama.

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#### Previous documentation of file (NPS):

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- preliminary determination of individual listing (36 CFR 67) has been requested
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#### Primary location of additional data:

	State Historic Preservation Office
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	University
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	Name of repository: <u>Daphne Public Library</u>

#### Historic Resources Survey Number (if assigned):

#### 10. Geographical Data

4. Zone:

5. Zone:

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Use either the UTM system or latitude/longitude coordinates

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#### Verbal Boundary Description (describe the boundaries of the property)

The boundary of the property extends east to west from Deer Court to Mobile Bay. The northern boundary is marked by a line of vegetation marking the neighboring property line. The southern boundary is not visibly marked, but is recognized as the neighboring property line.

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Boundary Justification (explain why the boundaries were selected)

All buildings within this application have been verified as within the boundaries of the property, which has been determined by the survey necessary to complete the application.

11. Form prepared by:				
Name/Title: Meri Beth Slaughter, Stephen McNair				
Organization:	McNair Historic Preserva	tion Inc.		
Street & number:	PO Box 2604			
City/Town:	Mobile	State: AL	Zip Code:	36652-2604
Email: <u>smcnair@mcnairhp.com</u>			Phone:	334-303-3029
Date:April 11, 2019				

Additional Documentation

Submit the following items with the completed form:

- Maps: A USGS map or equivalent (7.5 or 15-minute series) indicating the property's location.
- **Sketch map** for historic districts and properties having large acreage or numerous resources. Key all photographs to this map.
- Additional items: Check with the SHPO, TPO, or FPO for any additional items.

#### **Photographs**

Submit clear and descriptive photographs. The size of each image must be 1600x1200 pixels (minimum), 3000x2000 preferred, at 300 ppi (pixels per inch) or larger. Key all photographs to the sketch map. Each photograph must be numbered and that number must correspond to the photograph number on the photo log. For simplicity, the name of the photographer, photo date, etc. may be listed once on the photograph log and doesn't need to be labeled on every photograph.

#### Photo Log

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City or Vicinity:	Daphne
County:	Baldwin
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Date	December 17, 2018
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4 of 34 Exterior. Front porch entryway. Camera facing west.

5 of 34 Exterior. Back house. Camera facing south.

6 of 34 Exterior. Camera facing southeast.

7 of 34 Exterior. Camera facing east.

8 of 34 Exterior. Back porch entryway. Camera facing east.

9 of 34 Exterior. Backyard view. Camera facing west.

10 of 34 Exterior. Connector between main house and back house. Camera facing north.

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Interior. Back house. Camera facing northeast.

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18 of 34 Interior. Back house bathroom. Camera facing north.

19 of 34 Interior. Main house, first floor. Camera facing southeast.

20 of 34 Interior. Main house, first floor, kitchen. Camera facing north.

21 of 34 Interior. Main house, first floor. Camera facing east.

22 of 34 Interior. Main house, first floor. Camera facing northeast.

23 of 34 Interior. Main house, first floor. Camera facing north.

24 of 34 Interior. Main house, first floor bathroom. Camera facing east.

25 of 34 Interior. Main house, stairwell. Camera facing southeast.

26 of 34 Interior. Main house, first floor. Camera facing southeast.

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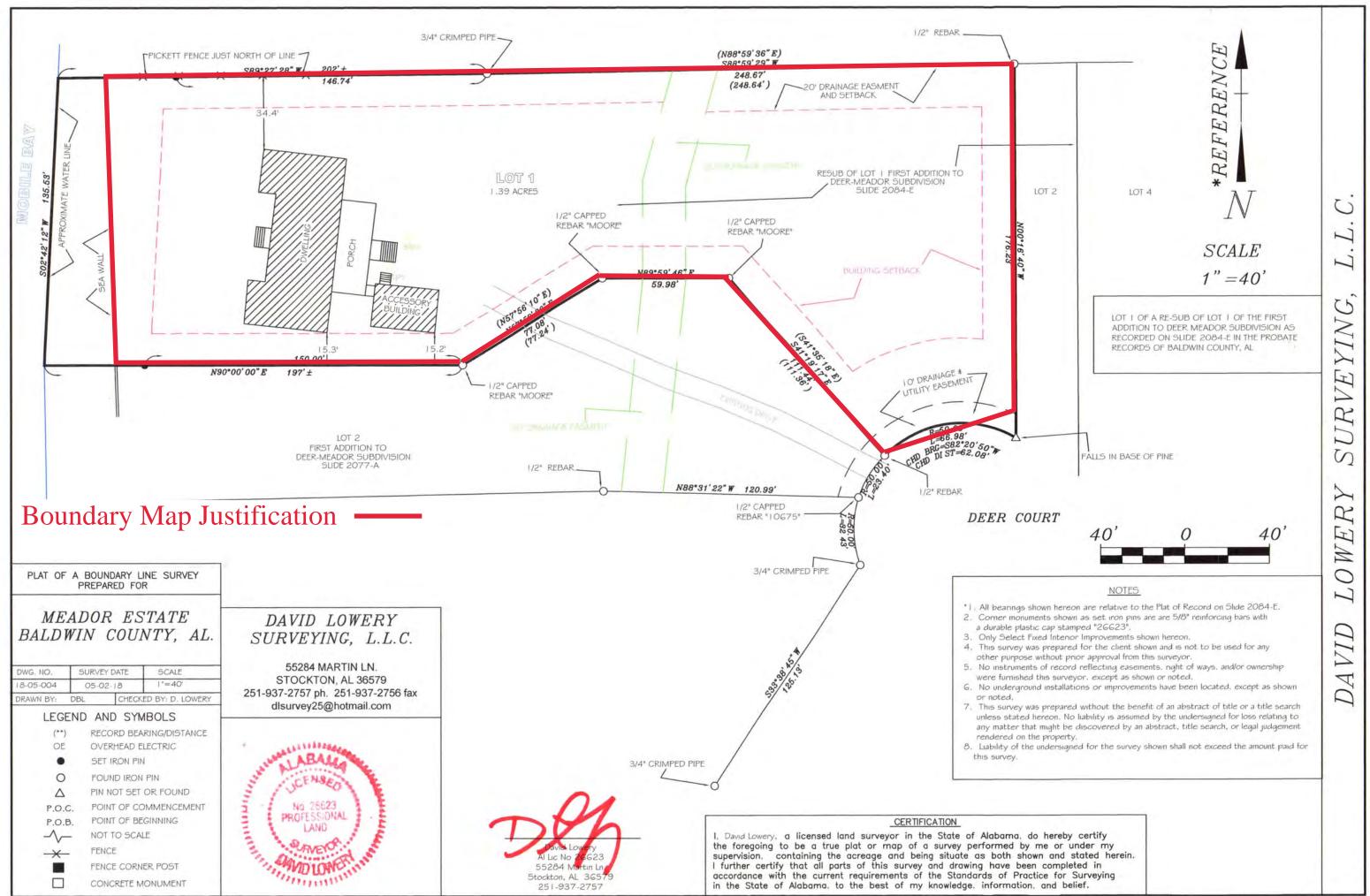
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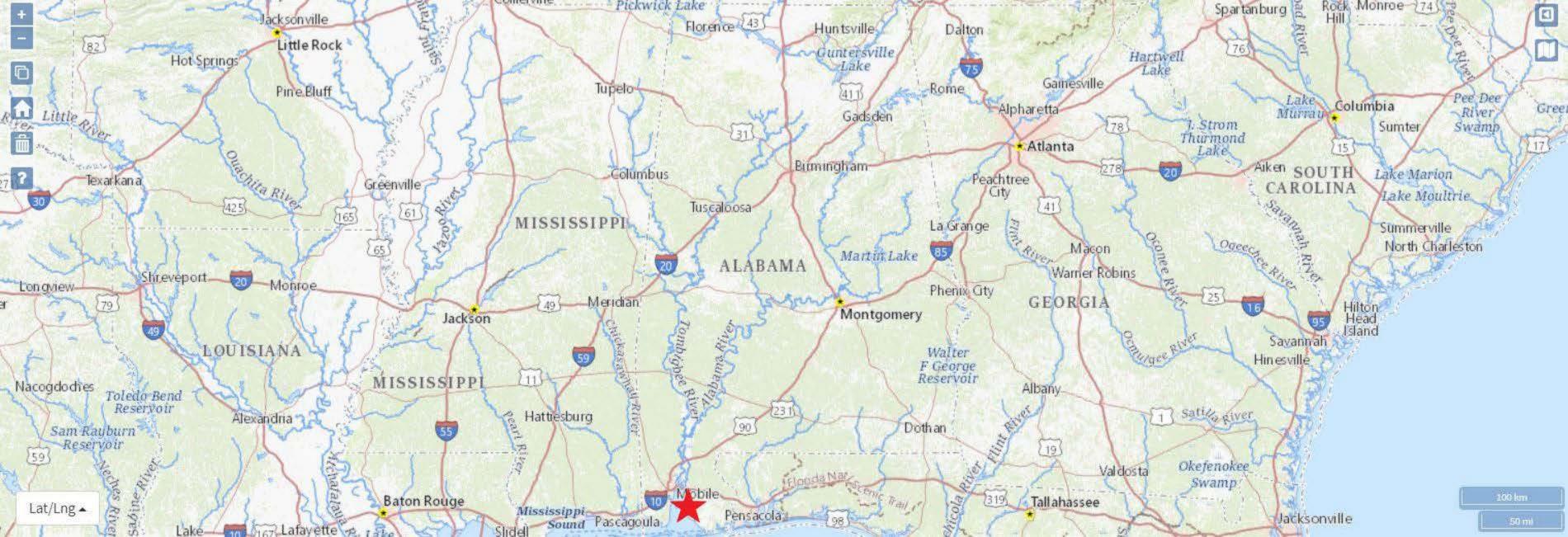
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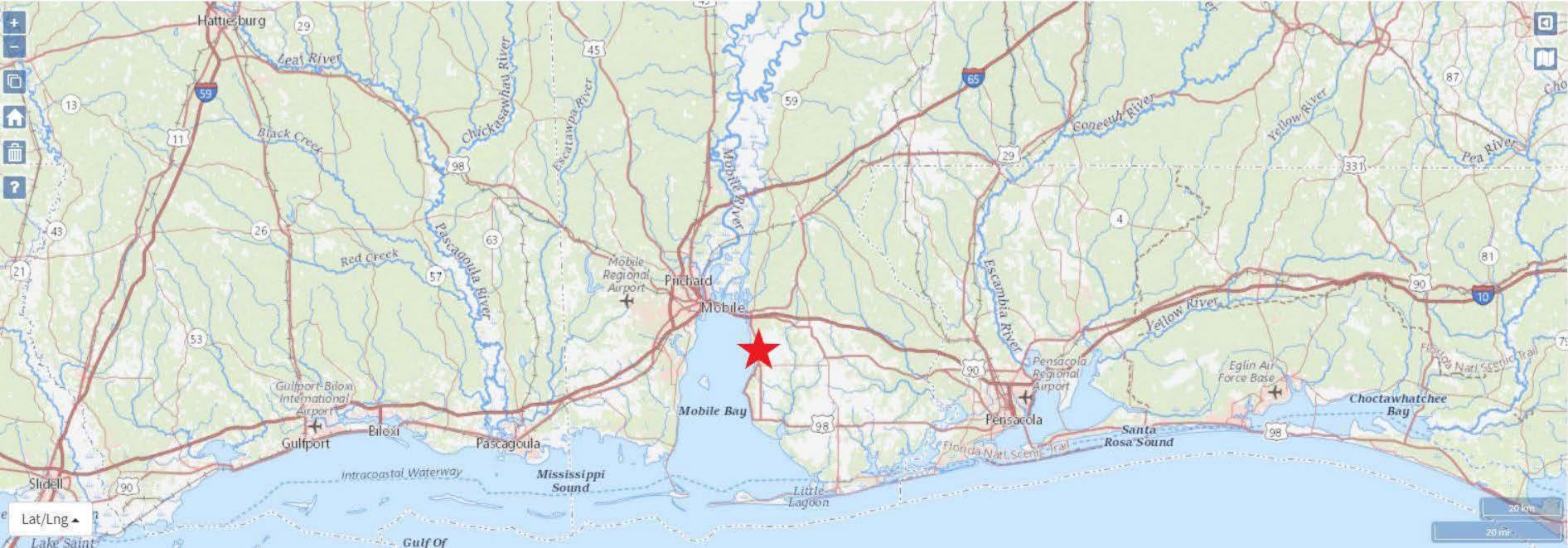
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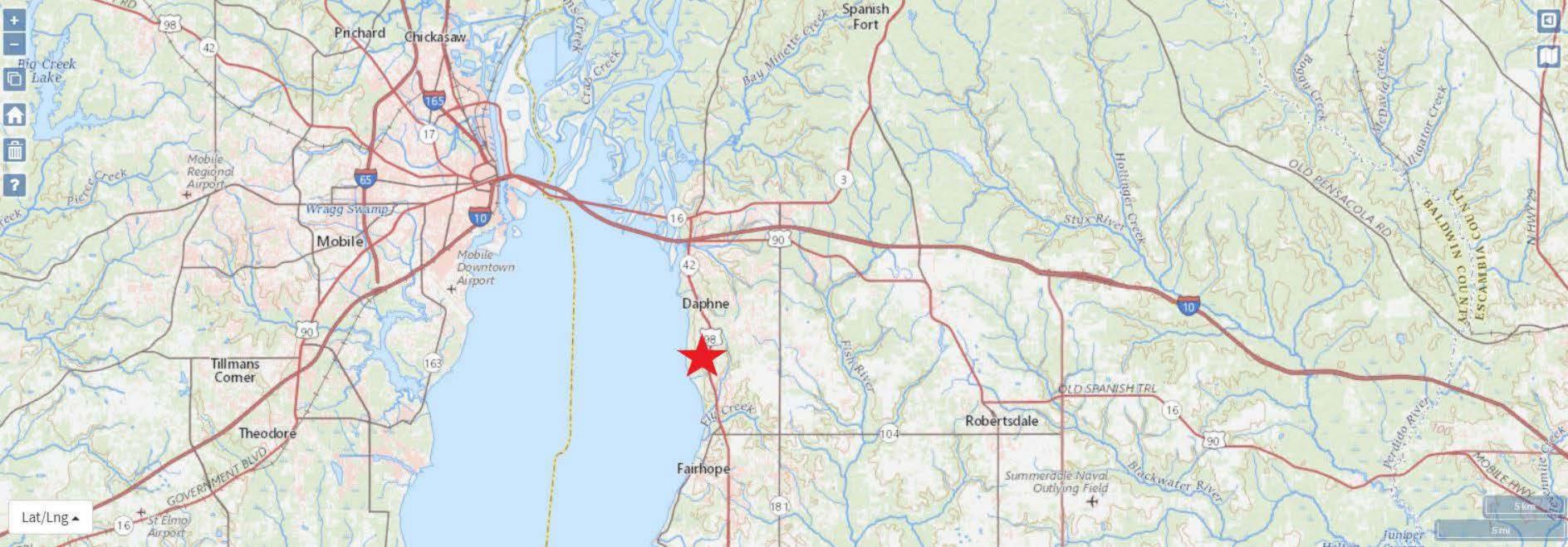
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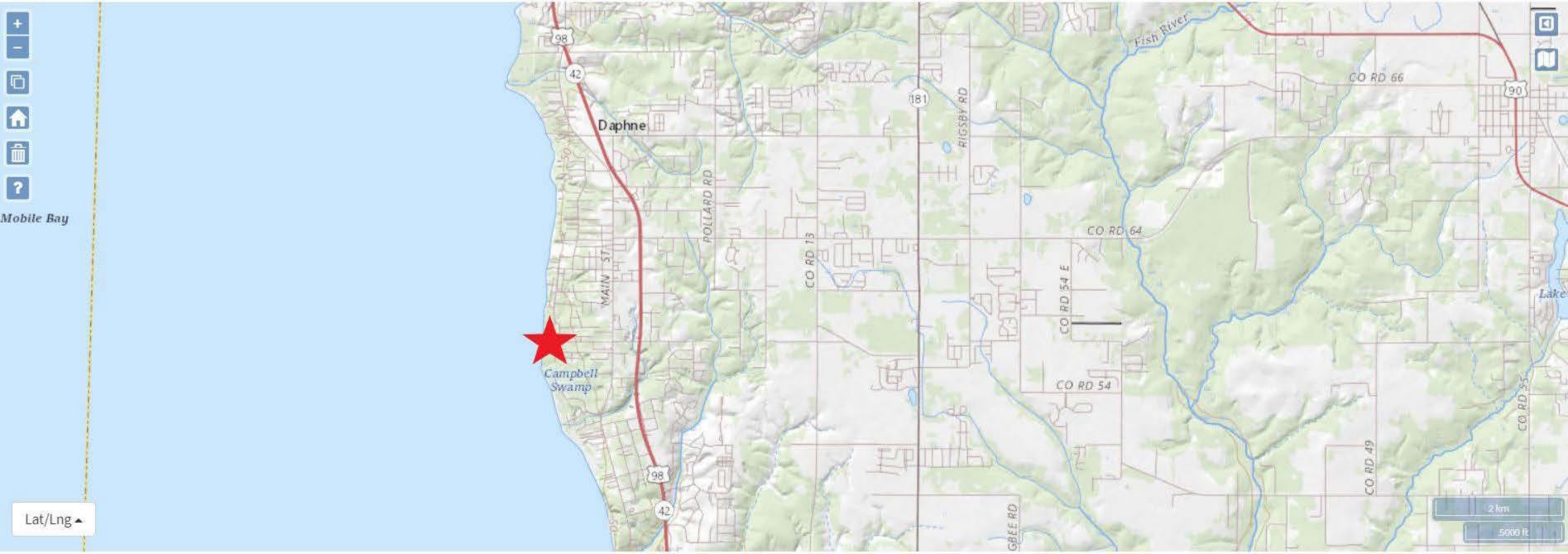
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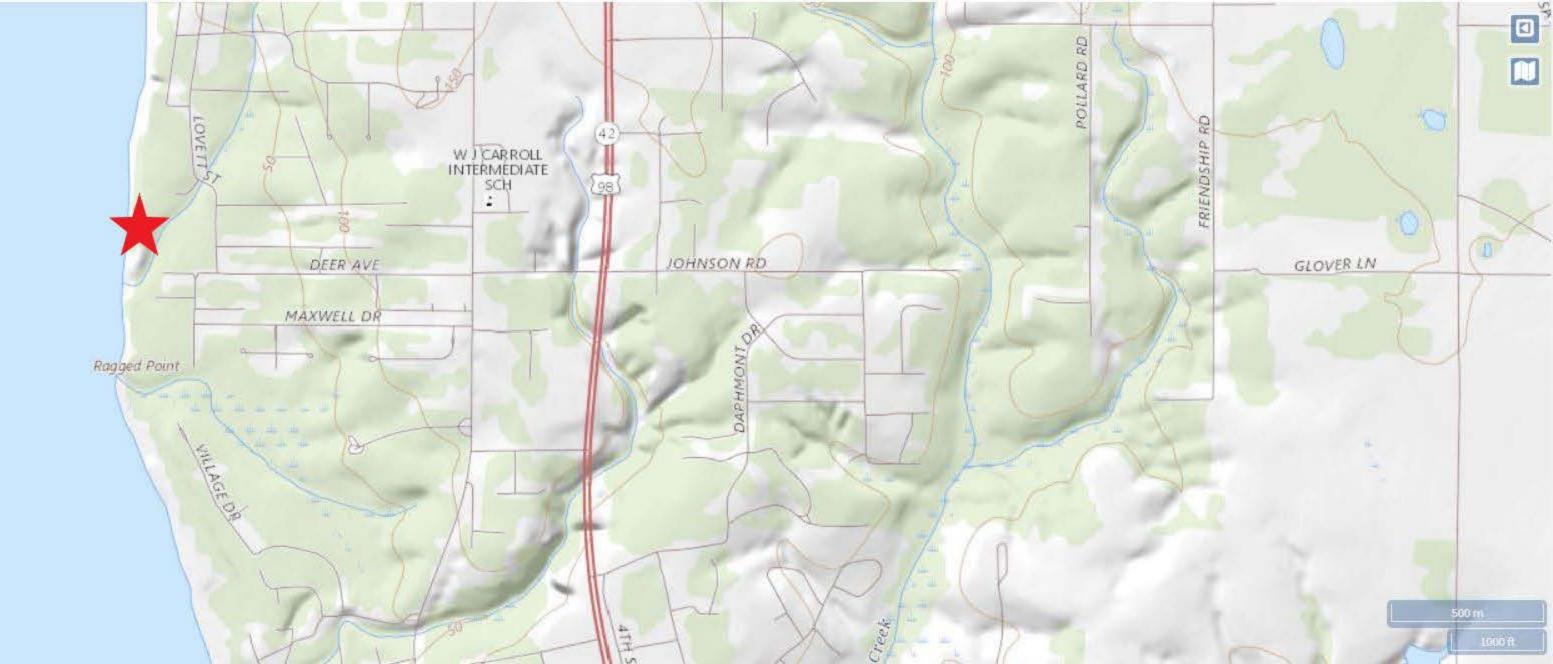


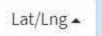


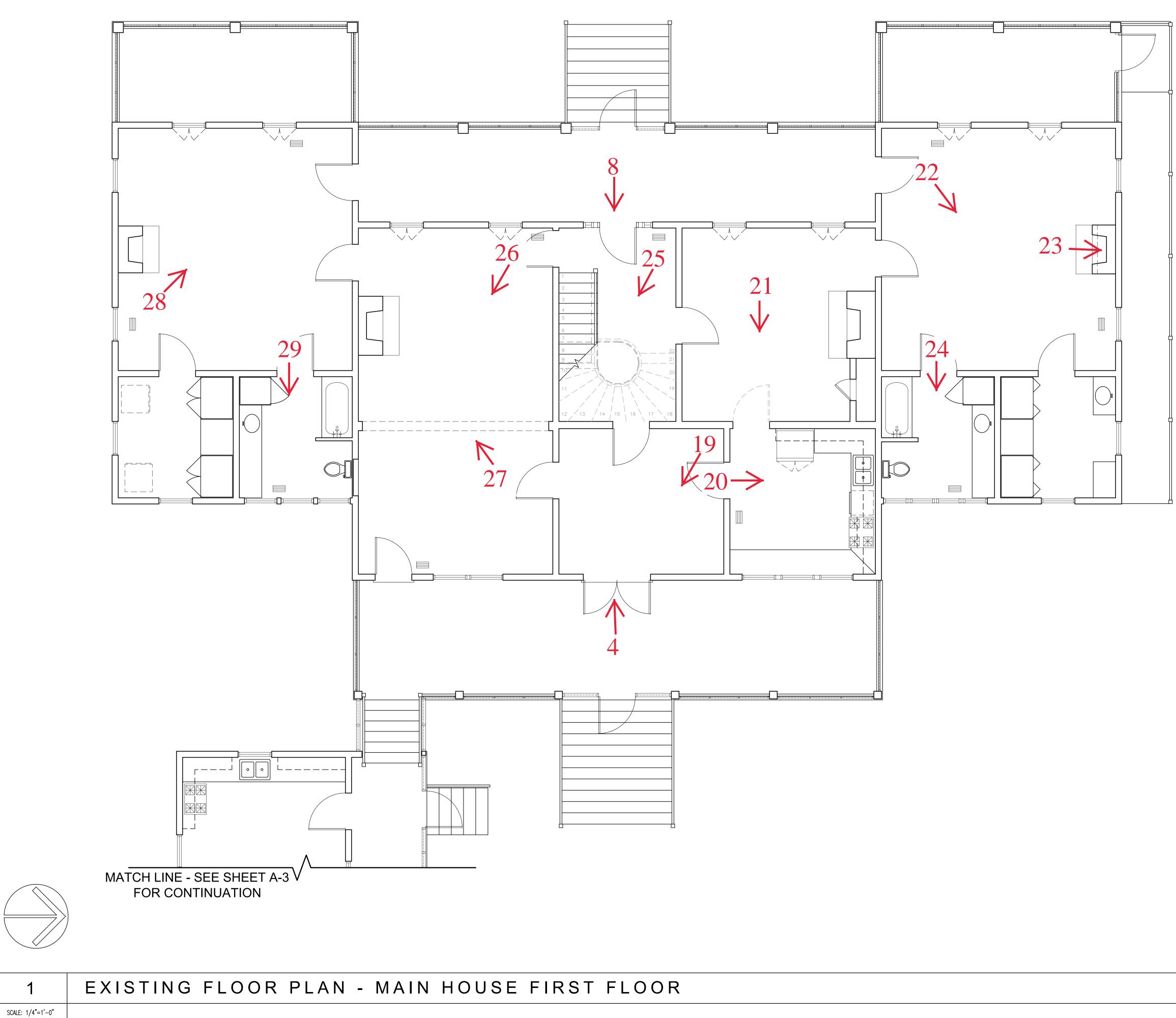




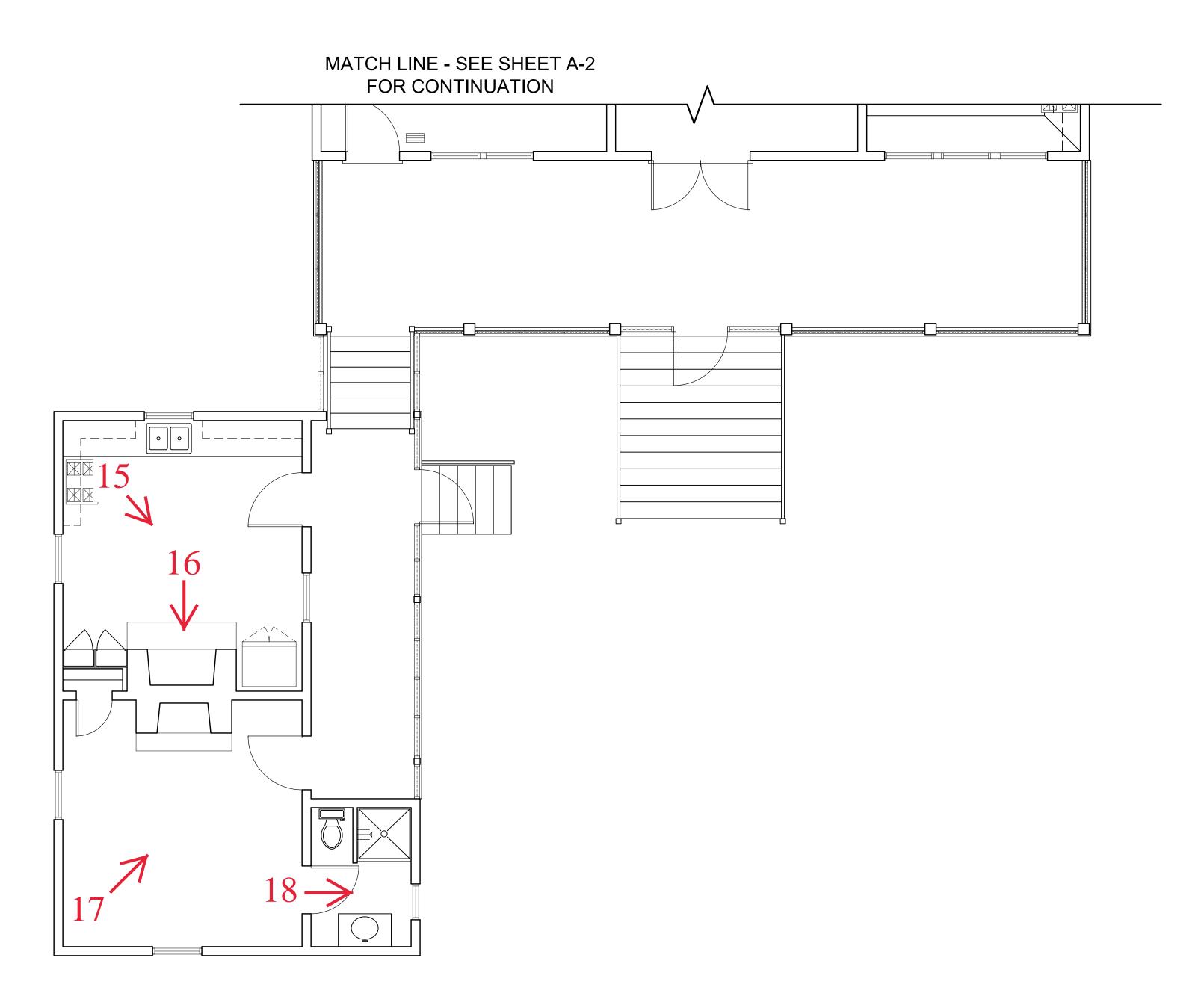


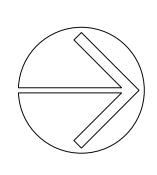






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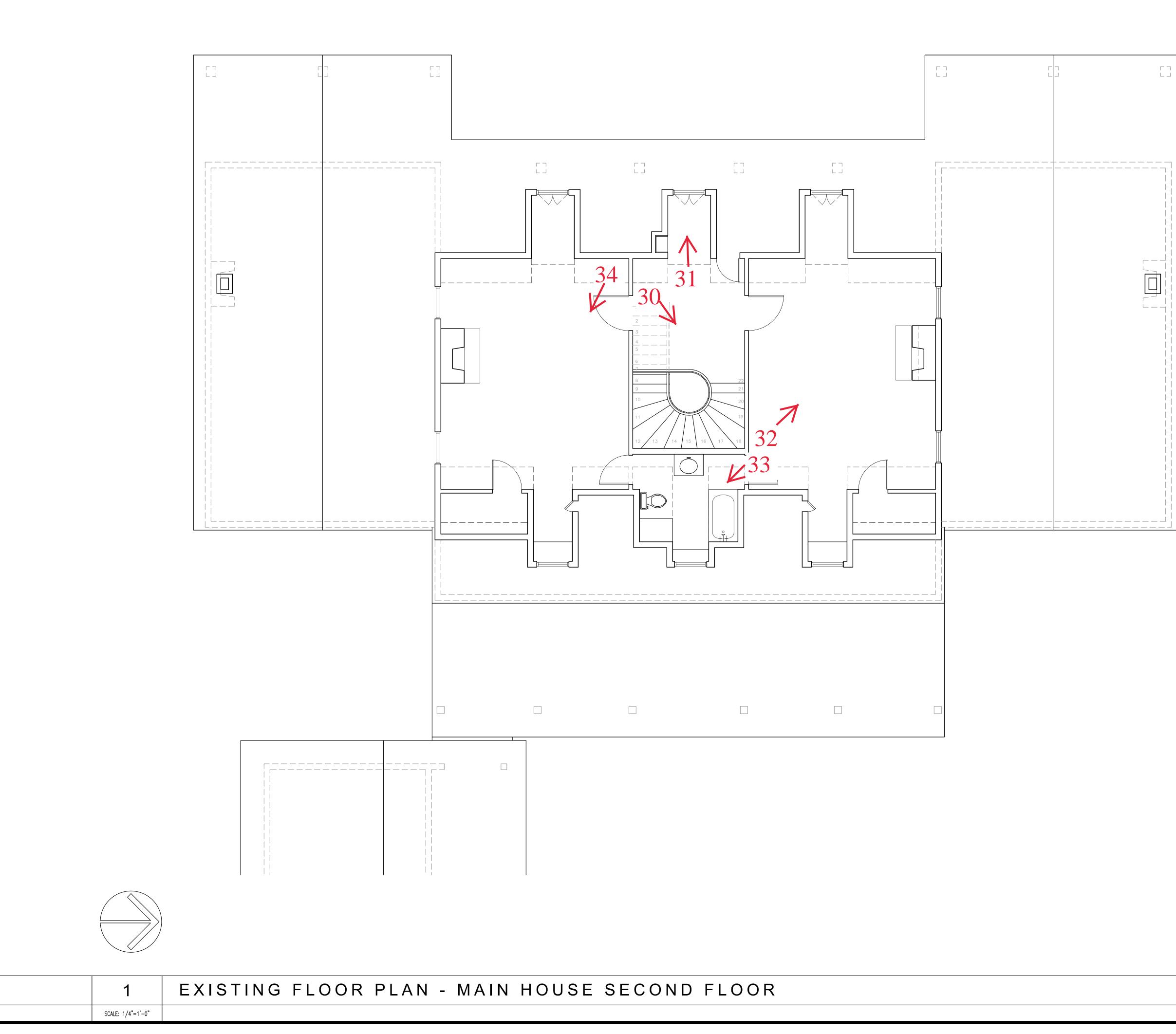




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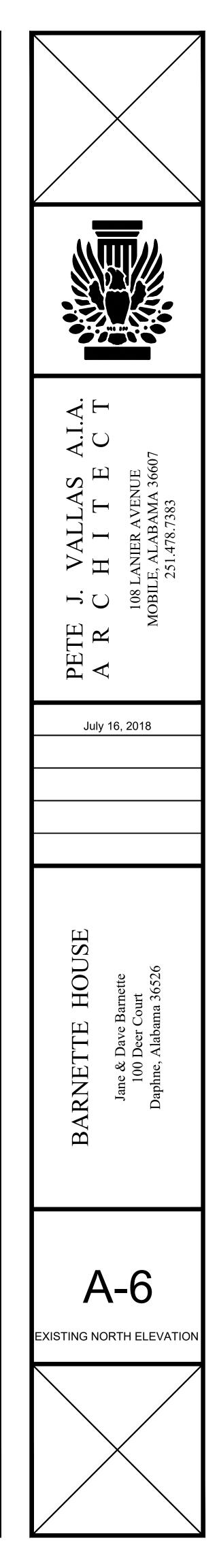
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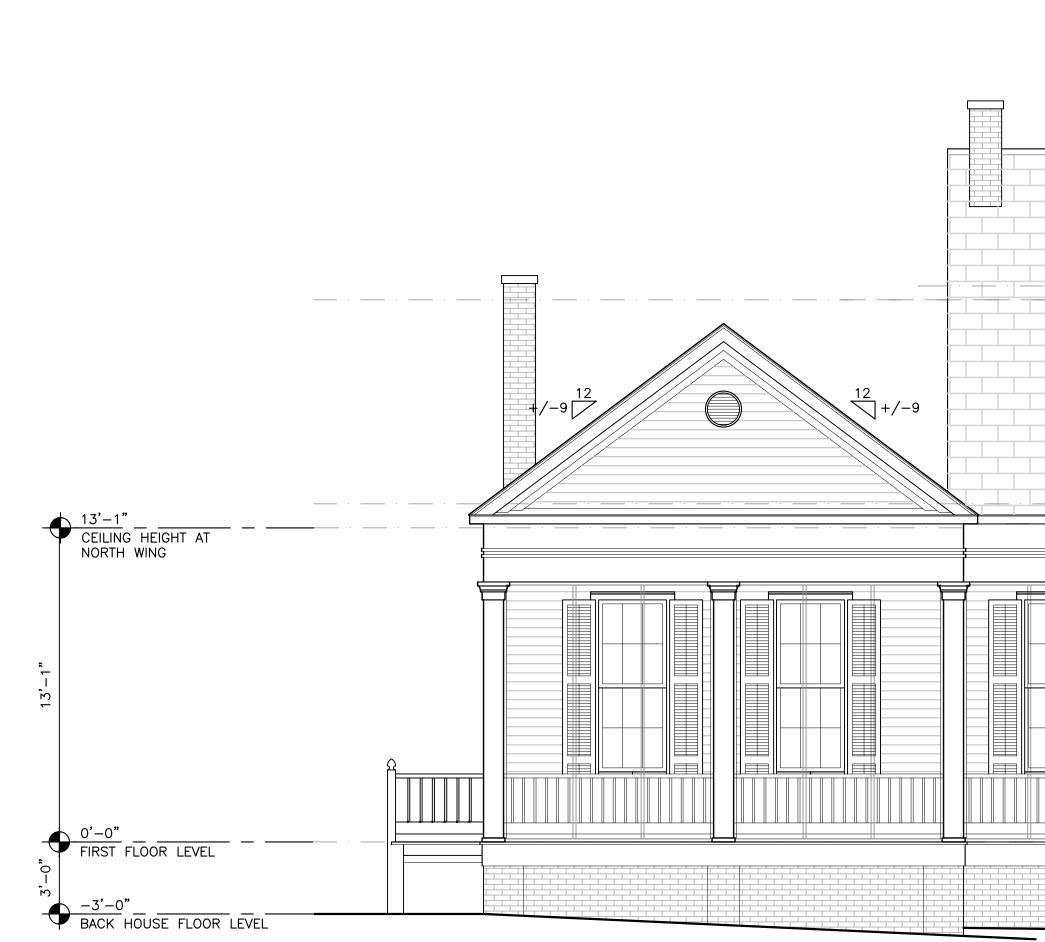


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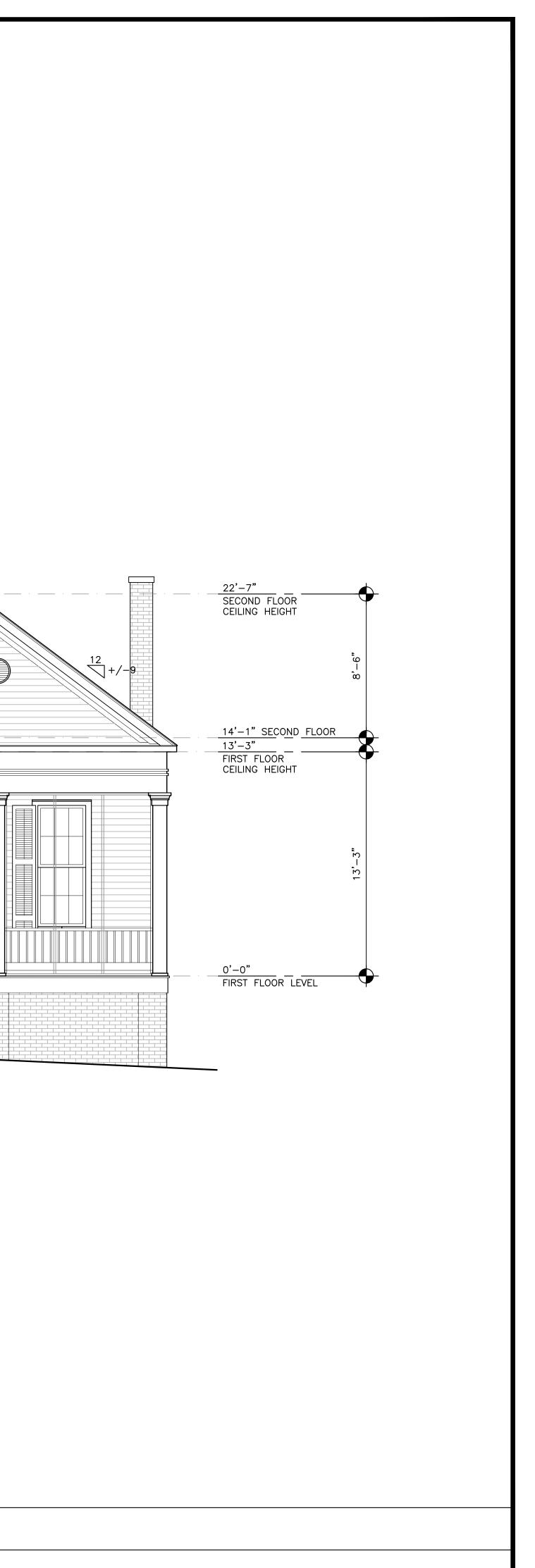


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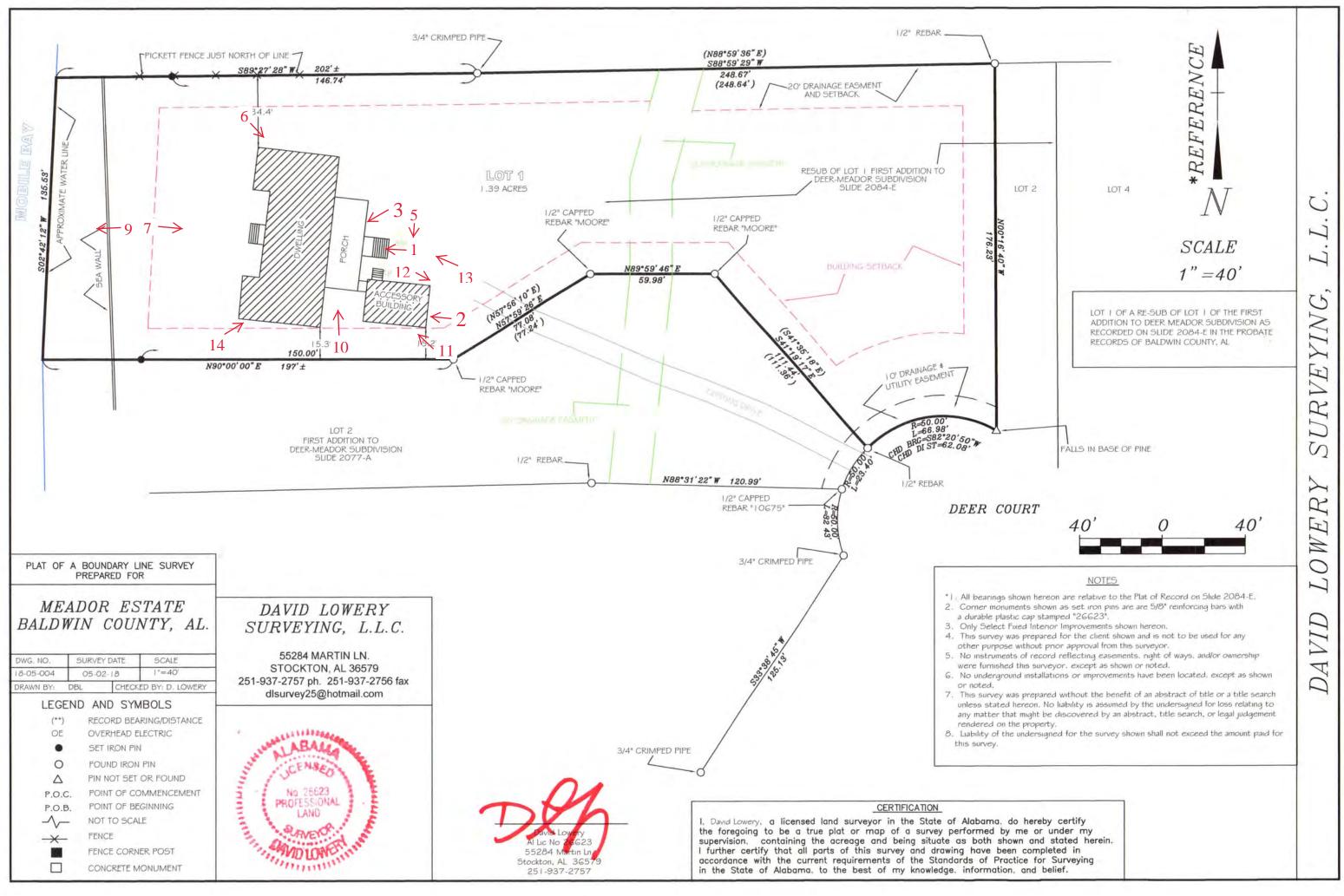
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## UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

## NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

Requested Action:	Resubmission
Property Name:	Manly-Strong House
Multiple Name:	Creole and Gulf Coast Cottages in Baldwin County TR
State & County:	ALABAMA, Baldwin
Date Recei 8/21/201	
Reference number:	RS100004134
Nominator:	SHPO
Reason For Review	
<b>X</b> Accept	Return Reject <b>8/22/2019</b> Date
Abstract/Summary Comments:	
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Reviewer Lisa De	eline Discipline Historian
Telephone (202)35	54-2239 Date
DOCUMENTATION	: see attached comments : No see attached SLR : No

If a nomination is returned to the nomination authority, the nomination is no longer under consideration by the National Park Service.

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## ALABAMA HISTORICAL COMMISSION

468 South Perry Street Montgomery, Alabama 36130-0900 334-242-3184 / Fax: 334-240-3477 Lisa D. Jones Executive Director State Historic Preservation Officer



May 23, 2019

Ms. Joy Beasley National Park Service 1849 C Street NW Mail Stop 7228 Washington, DC 20240

Dear Ms. Beasley:

Enclosed please find the nomination and supporting documentation to be considered for listing the following Alabama resource in the National Register of Historic Places:

Manly-Strong House Daphne, Baldwin County, Alabama

Your consideration of the enclosed National Register of Historic Places nomination is appreciated.

Sincerely,

Jee anne WOH

Lee Anne Wofford Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer

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Enclosures