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The West Capitol Street Historic District is primarily commercial in character, but includes as well a railroad depot, parking garage, and two office buildings. Almost all buildings are brick. Architectural styles include Queen Anne, Sullivanesque, Colonial Revival, Art Deco, and Spanish Colonial Revival. Party-wall commercial structures line the north side of West Capitol Street for one block and the south side for one-and-one-half blocks. The majority of buildings on the north side of Capitol Street, which is the main, east-west thoroughfare in Jackson, were constructed by 1900 and form a unified row of low-scale structures in sharp contrast to the adjacent new Federal Building. Unique architectural features of these low-scale buildings include the Palladian facade treatment as well as the original storefront and interior of Bourgeois Jewelry Store at 220 W. Capitol St., the Queen Anne-style facade and original cast-iron columns of 218 W. Capitol St., the intact Colonial Revival facade with multipaned transom incorporating the Cohen Brothers store name at 224 W. Capitol St., and the pilastered facade treatment of three other buildings in the row. Buildings on the south side of Capitol Street were constructed later, the earliest ca. 1895 with the majority between 1904 and 1923. These structures retain a higher scale, ranging from three to twelve stories. Architecturally outstanding structures on this side of Capitol Street include the Dennery Building, with corbeled drip molds and Queen Annestyle cornice, the Sullivanesque McCleland Hardware Building, and the Colonial Revival King Edward Hotel (entered on the National Register in 1976). Completing a square block on the south side of Capitol Street is the Standard Life Tower, a sixteen-story Art Deco skyscraper constructed in 1929, together with a one-story Art Deco commercial row and a two-story parking garage constructed in 1926. Extending north to Mill Street, the district includes several significant Colonial Revival-style buildings: the two-story train depot constructed in 1925, when the elevated railroad tracks which form the western boundary of the district were built, the Noble Hotel, ca. 1908, a three-story building located on Mill Street across from the depot, and a one-story commercial building, ca. 1915, originally constructed as a car showroom. Interesting street features of the district include three sidewalk decorations, a mosaic walkway with "Bon-Ton" spelled in tiles at 209-211 W. Capitol St., and two Art Deco sidewalk motifs in front of the two entrances to the Standard Life Tower, which match decorative panels of the building's exterior.

The most obvious architectural changes to the district include the loss of decorative parapets at 226-230 W. Capitol St. and the Bon-Ton Building, 209-211 W. Capitol St., and the loss of architectural features on other buildings in the district from cladding or infilling of facades. Original wooden canopies have been removed or replaced with aluminum. The Millsaps building, constructed in 1913, was originally six stories high but was raised to nine stories in 1945. Despite these changes the district retains much of its former character, especially when contrasted with the surrounding area, which is currently undergoing demolition and new construction.

Structures Within the District

Abbreviations at the end of each entry are "P. S." for Primary Significance, "C. S." for Contributing Significance, "M" for Marginal Significance, and "I" for Intrusion.

1. Smith-Pate Auto Company Buidling (126 N. Mill St.): Ca. 1915. Colonial Revival style. One-story three-bay brick commercial building. Modillioned cornice of concrete. Concrete diamond-shaped frieze ornamentation. (P. S.)

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- 2. Commercial Building (118 N. Mill St.): Ca. 1930. One-story 2xl-bay brick commercial building with hinged brick corners and original corrugated metal canopy. (C. S.)
- Noble Hotel (108-114 N. Mill St.): Ca. 1908. Colonial Revival. Three-story 4x2-bay brick building with metal block cornice. Concrete cornice at first-floor level. (P. S.)
- 4. Union Depot (W. Capitol St.): Ca. 1925. Colonial Revival. Two-story 5x6-bay brick building with classical ornamentation in concrete. Round-arched windows with radiating muntins. One-story addition on west side above which is constructed elevated railroad tracks. One-story gable-roofed building attached at rear. (P. S.)
- 5. Gulf Finance (236 W. Capitol St.): Ca. 1940. Two-story 2x10-bay commercial building clad with concrete. Enamel-paneled first floor. Casement windows. (M.)
- 6. Capitol News (232-234 W. Capitol St.): Ca. 1928. Spanish Colonial Revival. Two-story four-bay commercial building of concrete block. Tile roof. Round-arched windows. Urns and corbel table detail. Storefronts altered but one rope-turned column still visible. (C. S.)
- 7. Commercial Block (226-230 W. Capitol St.): Ca. 1885, altered ca. 1910 and 1945. Two-story ten-bay commercial building with concrete-clad pilastered second floor and horizontal band of marbelized glass between floors. (C. S.)
- 8. Cohen Brothers (224 W. Capitol St.): Ca. 1895, altered ca. 1918. Colonial Revival. Two-story two-bay brick commercial block. Modillioned cornice on first and second floors. Raised brick rectangular enrichment with concrete corner blocks. Multipaned transom with "Cohen Brothers" in center. (P. S.)
- 9. Commercial Block (222 W. Capitol St.): Ca. 1895 with later alterations. Two-story two-bay brick commercial building with patterned brick frieze to match 220 W. Capitol St. Recessed rectangular panels above windows. Rosette tie-rod caps. Aluminum panel covers transom area. (C. S.)
- 10. Bourgeois Jewelers (220 W. Capitol St.): Ca. 1900. Colonial Revival. Two-story three-bay brick commercial block with Palladian facade treatment and patterned brick facade decoration. Leaded glass transoms. Original interior. (P. S.)
- 11. Commercial Block (218 W. Capitol St.): Ca. 1897. Queen Anne. Two-story four-bay brick building with bracketed iron frieze and bracketed window lintels. Rectangular ventilator panels with metal grates. Original cast-iron columns. Date 1897 in frieze. (P. S.)

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- 12. Lott Furniture Co. (216 W. Capitol St.): Ca. 1895, altered 1951. Two-story six-bay brick commercial building with glass block windows. Original openings altered. Original decorative grates remain. (C. S.)
- 13. Commercial Block (210-212 W. Capitol St.): Before 1885, storefront ca. 1945. Two-story four-bay commercial building. Concrete infilled facade, but shape of original cornice still apparent. Ornate cast-iron lintels visible. Original rosette tie-rod caps. (P. S.)
- 14. Commercial Block (206-208 W. Capitol St.): Ca. 1910. Classical Revival. Twostory six-bay brick building with pilastered upper story. Metal modillioned and denticulated cornice. Corbeled brick above pilasters. (P. S.)
- 15. Commercial Block (200-204 W. Capitol St.): Constructed as two buildings: 202-204 (western section), four bays constructed ca. 1910; 200 (eastern section), two bays constructed ca. 1915. This building, now clad with concrete, once matched 206-208 W. Capitol St. Pilasters remain but cornice has been removed. (C. S.)
- 16. Dennery Building (113-117 W. Capitol St.): Ca. 1898. Queen Anne. Two-story 5x5-bay brick commercial block. Bracketed cornice. Windows set in recessed bays. Raised brick drip molds with corbeled ends. (P. S.)
- 17. Commercial Block (119 W. Capitol St.): Ca. 1925. One-story former Spanish Colonial-style recently remodeled to "Old Town" appearance with brick veneer facade, round-arched windows, and metal grillwork. (I.)
- 18. Mayflower Cafe and Thomas' Great M. Store (121 W. Capitol St.): East section of building ca. 1898, west section ca. 1901. Two-story 4x11-bay brick building with stucco front ca. 1945. Original windows with segmental-arched heads and raised brick drip molds as well as corbeled cornice remain on west elevation. Art Moderne canopy with neon enrichment. Art Deco neon sign. (C. S.)
- 19. Millsaps Building (203 W. Capitol St.): First through six floors constructed 1913. Seventh through ninth floor added 1945. Nine-story 3x7-bay brick commercial building with paired windows recessed between pilasters. Corbeled cornice. Original classical feeling of building altered more toward Art Deco when building raised. Original rusticated concrete and console keystone remain visible on one section of the first floor. (C. S.)
- 20. Boston Investment Co. (207 W. Capitol St.): Ca. 1913. One-story two-bay commercial building with stepped parapet roofline clad with marble panels. Original facade treatment was probably same as first floor of the Millsaps Building. (M.)

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- 21. Bon-Ton Cafe (209-211 W. Capitol St.): Ca. 1890, later alterations. Two-story brick commercial building. Upper stories covered with enamel panel. Tile sidewalk reads "Bon-Ton Cafe." (I.)
- 22. Liberty Loans (215 W. Capitol St.): Ca. 1890, later alterations. Two-story commercial building with concrete-clad upper story, enamel paneled first floor. (I.)
- 23. McCleland Hardware Building (217 W. Capitol St.): Ca. 1904. Sullivanesque fourstory eight-bay brick commercial building with corbeled cornice and curved, stepped parapet. Windows recessed in four-story arcaded bays. (P. S.)
- 24. King Edward Hall (221 W. Capitol St.): Ca. 1960. One-story three-bay building with recessed entrances at end bays. Mosaic tile on first floor. Concrete solar screen on second floor. (I.)
- 25. King Edward Hotel (Capitol at Mill Sts.): Ca. 1923. Colonial Revival. Entered on the National Register in 1976. (P.S.)
- 26. Garage on the corner of Mill and Roach Sts.: 1926. Classical detailing. Three-story brick and concrete garage with large rear addition. Central bay decorated with pilasters, topped with curved parapet. Scrolled ornament adorns doorway. Corner pilasters with geometric designed. Horizontal bands of concrete divides the floors. (P. S.)
- 27. Standard Life Tower (127 S. Roach St.): Ca. 1929. Art Deco sixteen-story 5x8-bay skyscraper of concrete and brick. First two floors are designed in low scale with setback battlements and stepped window openings. The main block of the building rises from center of the two-story section. Setback design. Enamel spandrel panels on twelveth and thirteenth floors, which utilize Art Deco motif and match sidewalk pattern at entrances. Art Deco lobby intact. (P. S.)
- 28. Commercial Block (111-121 S. Roach St.): Ca. 1929. Art Deco one-story six-bay commercial block. Each bay recessed between pilasters and decorated in a different Art Deco motif. Parapeted roofline of each bay also articulated in an individual Art Deco design. (P. S.)

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The West Capitol Street Historic District contains the earliest intact commercial facades in Jackson and some of the finest Art Deco architecture in the state of Mississippi. Reflecting the earlier importance of West Capitol Street as a turn-of-the-century commercial center and the subsequent growth and development of the capital city in the 1920s, the district is vitally important as a visual record of the commercial history of Jackson.

Prior to 1885 there was little commercial activity on West Capitol Street, the main business center being located near the Old Capitol on State Street and extending down East Capitol Street only as far as President Street. Only a few commercial establishments served the old railroad depot located where the present one stands, two hotels, a drug store, and a dry-goods store. Of these early commercial structures only the dry-goods store, at 232 W. Capitol St., retains a resemblance to its original appearance. By 1890 Jackson seemed to have recovered from the Reconstruction period. The population had increased and new houses were being built northwest and south of the old section of town. A newly established board of trade had begun to attract new industry to the city. In 1899 Jackson got its first electric street car. Thus new markets and improved transportation contributed to the new business activity on West Capitol Street so that by 1900 brick commercial blocks had been constructed on the north side of the street as far east as 214, and the 200 block entirely completed by 1925.

Alfred Bourgeois first located his jewelry store in 1886 on South State Street. Several years later he moved his business to West Capitol Street and by 1900 had built the brick building at 220, just west of his shop's relocation. This store has remained in the Bourgeois family for almost eighty years and according to the owners is the oldest continuously owned family business in the state. Containing its original cherry display cases and ceiling of German steel pressed in a floral pattern, it was the first completely fireproof building to be constructed in the area and the floor is said to be the first tile floor in the state (Jackson: Bourgeois Building, Hinds County, Statewide Survey of Historic Sites, Mississippi Department of Archives and History, Jackson). S. P. McRae located his first store at 216 W. Capitol St. in 1902. McRae's is now the largest locally owned department-store chain in Mississippi. By the 1920s he had moved east on the same block to 200-202, where the store remained for more than thirty years. Also located on this block, at 232, were the law offices of prominent black attorneys Beadle and Howard. Perry Howard later moved to Washington and became leader of Mississippi's "Black and Tan" Republicans (Carroll Brinson, Jackson/A Special Kind of Place [Jackson, Miss.: City of Jackson, 1977], p. 211).

Development of the south side of West Capitol Street was slower, with construction not being completed until 1929. The commercial block which now incorporates 209-215 W. Capitol St. was one of the first commercial blocks on the south side of the street and

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housed a bank, dry-goods store, and grocery. Part of the building later became the Bon-Ton Cafe, one of Jackson's fanciest restaurants. The Dennery Building, constructed by 1900, is outstanding for its upper floors, articulated in the Queen Anne commercial style, and its first floor, which has been compatibly modernized. The four-story McCleland Hardware Building at 217 W. Capitol St., one of the few Sullivanesque structures remaining in Jackson, was built in 1904. It remained the home of the McCleland Hardware Company until 1926, when the building became the Montgomery Ward Department Store. Constructed in 1913, the Millsaps Building, at 200-205 W. Capitol St., was the first home of the Jackson State National Bank. Rapid development of the remainder of the block began in 1923 with the completion of the King Edward Hotel, considered at the time to be the "most modern in the country" ("The New Edwards Hotel to be Opened Saturday; Most Modern in Country," Clarion-Ledger, [Jackson, Miss.], Dec. 28, 1923).

In 1925 the present depot was constructed and the hazardous tracks which crossed Capitol Street at ground level were elevated. In 1926 the classically detailed garage on the corner of South Mill and Roach streets was built for the R. E. Hines Motor Company as a Chrysler dealer showroom, and in 1929 the Art Deco Tower Building was constructed by the Enochs, who owned the King Edward Hotel. Constructed as a monument to the family who had acquired wealth in the lumber industry, the Tower was built in five and one half months, with twenty-four hour shifts stopping only on Sundays (Stephen Rassenfoss, "Construction Raises Capitol Property Values," Clarion-Ledger [Jackson, Miss.], real estate section, July 29, 1979, p. 1).

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Designed by Jackson architect, Claude Lindsley, the Tower Building is one of only three Art Deco skyscrapers in the state and is outstanding for both its interior and exterior detailing. Utilizing the typical set-back design the building also displays decorative panels with geometric motifs which are highlighted with 14K gold leaf. This motif is replicated (minus gold leaf) in the sidewalks in front of both entrances. The interior hallway is particularly lavish utilizing a variety of materials and geometric forms. Linking the skyscraper with some of the lower scale buildings in the district is the 1-story building just north of the Tower which employs a different Art-Deco motif in each bay. Visually, the transition from low-scale to high-rise is not abrupt. Buildings on the south side of West Capital Street which vary from two to nine stories make the transition between the 2-story buildings on the north side of West Capital and the Standard Life Tower on Pearl Street.

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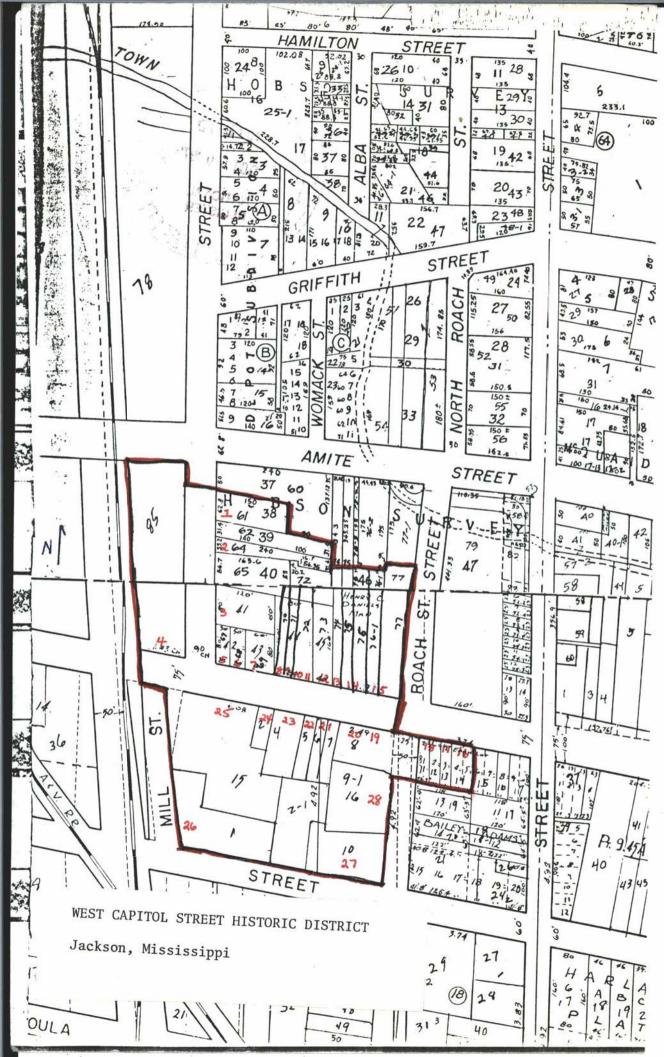
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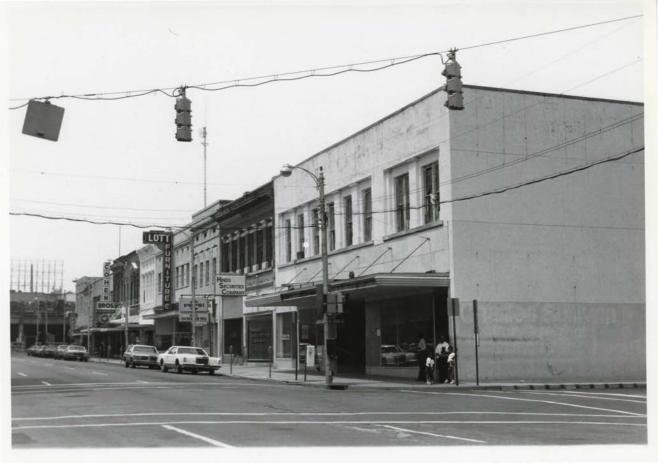
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North side of West Capitol St. looking NE.
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October 19, 1979

Mr. Charles Herrington Chief of Registration National Register of Historic Places Heritage Conservation and Recreation Serv Department of the Interior

440 G Street NW

Washington, D.C. 20243

Dear Mr. Herrington:

We are pleased to enclose, herewith, the necessary nomination forms, maps, and photographs for the West Capitol Street Historic District, Hinds County, Mississippi.

The West Capitol Street Historic District was approved for nomination by the Mississippi Historic Preservation Professional Review Board at its meeting on October 11, 1979. The district is located in the Fourth Congressional District of Congressman Jon Hinson.

We trust that you will find the enclosed forms in order and will let us hear from you at your convenience.

Sincerely,

Elbert R. Hilliard

State Historic Preservation Officer

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117 W. CAPITOL STREET JACKSON, MS 39201

TELEPHONE 353-9611

October 19, 1979

Charles A. Herrington
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Pension Bldg., 440 G Street N. W.
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(Attn: Nom)

Re: West Capitol Street Neighborhood Historic Dist.

226, 228,230, and 238 West Capitol Street

Jackson, Mississippi 39201

Dear Sir:

My Clients, Seymour and Ida Lee Schwartz, own the above described buildings in the proposed historical district. Due to the restrictions which would be placed upon the use of said buildings, it is their belief that the listing of the same on the National Register would not allow them all of the possible alternatives of operating these buildings to their highest and best use. Accordingly, any benefit which they might reap from the Tax Reform Act is heavily outweighed by the economic loss which they would incur.

These buildings are located in the heart of downtown Jackson. With the recent arrival of a fifteen (15) story federal building in the adjacent block and a \$6.2 million federal grant which the City of Jackson recieved for the purpose of revitalizing the downtown area, the buildings have now taken on a valuable economic status. The capital which would have to be spent by said clients in rehabilitating the buildings under the guidelines setforth by the Department of Interior is so costly that any rents which my clients would need to recieve from the rental of such property would be inflated in comparison to similar property. Therefore, such would result in an economic loss.

It is for the above reasons, my clients desire that the above named buildings be removed from the proposed National Register's list.

Sincerely,

Phillip H. Schwady

PHS:cd

¹The revitalization includes: 1) a \$21 million, nine story headquarters for South Central Bell, 2) a \$10 million six-story office building, 3) a \$10 million parking garage on Farish Street, and 4) a \$2.2 million project to eliminate the Old Town Creek.

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JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI 39205

(601) 354-3456

October 25, 1979

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Mr. Chris Therrell Delaporte Director of HCRS Department of the Interior 440 G Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20243

Dear Mr. Delaporte:

Our client, the Jackson Redevelopment Authority, has requested that we formally comment to you concerning the proposed designation of a "Farish Street Historical District" in the City of Jackson, Mississippi. It is our understanding that you have requested formal comments by October 26, 1979. We hereby request a formal extension of that deadline in order to prepare information which we believe that you will find pertinent to this matter.

The Jackson Redevelopment Authority is also deeply concerned about the proposed designation of several blocks surrounding the King Edward Hotel in downtown Jackson as a historical district, and we would appreciate your advising us as to the time for filing formal statements concerning such designation.

Your assistance is appreciated.

Sincerely,

WATKINS PYLE LUDLAM WINTER & STENNIS

By:

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cc: Mr. Lloyd M. Montgomery

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October 29, 1979

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Heritage Conservation & Recreation Service
Department of the Interior
Pension Bldg., 440 G Street N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20243

(Attn: Nom)

Re: West Capitol Street Neighborhood Historic District 117 West Capitol Street Jackson, Ms. 39201

Dear Sir:

The structure located at the above mentioned location has recently undergone extensive remodeling. Such renovation consisting of a new brick front and a modernized interior both of which completely conceal the original building. In short, the structure has been so dramatically changed that it would no longer be of significant importance to the Historical District.

Accordingly, Seymour and Ida Lee Schwartz, owners of the above property, request that the same be omitted from the National Register's List.

Sincerely,

Philly H. Schwartz

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Mr. John Hampton Stennis
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& Stennis Attorneys at Law
P.O. Box 427
20th Floor, Deposit Guaranty Plaza
Jackson, Mississippi 39205

Dear Mr. Stemis:

Thank you for your inquiry of October 25, 1979, concerning the nomination of the Farish Street Neighborhood Historic District, Hinds County, Mississippi, to the National Register of Historic Places. At your request, the commenting period for this nomination has been extended until December 1, 1979.

The area surrounding the King Edward Hotel is included within the West Capitol Street Historic District. This nomination was received at the National Register on October 30, 1979, and we are currently preparing to notify property owners of the pending nomination. Property owners will be given 30 days to present written comments prior to professional review of the nomination at the National Register. We would be pleased to receive your statements concerning the nomination during the commenting period.

We appreciate your interest in these nominations.

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cc: Mississippi SHPO, Mr. Elbert Hilliard

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Mr. Phillip H. Schwartz Attorney at Law 117 W. Capitol Street Jackson, Mississippi 39201



Dear Mr. Schwartz:

Thank you for your letters of October 19 and October 29, 1979, concerning the proposed listing of the West Capitol Street Neighborhood Historic District. Hinds County, Mississippi, in the National Register of Historic Places.

The National Register will consider your comments during the review process and will provide a copy of your letter to the Mississippi State Historic Preservation Officer, Mr. Elbert Hilliard, Director, State of Mississippi Department of Archives and History, P.O. Box 571, Jackson, Mississippi 39205. Although National Register regulations require that a property owner be given an opportunity to comment on a proposed nomination, an owner's permission is not required for listing.

Listing in the National Register is Federal recognition that a property possesses cultural value and is worthy of preservation. Once listed in the National Register, a property receives limited protection through comment by the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation on the effect of federally assisted projects on historic properties. Provisions of the Tax Reform Act of 1976 provide incentives for the rehabilitation of certain structures listed in the National Register and disincentives for their demolition. Listing has no other effect on the property. It does not affect the range of actions an owner can take as long as a Federal action is not involved.

If the West Capitol Street Neighborhood Historic District is accepted for listing in the National Register, notice will be placed in the "Federal Register." If additional information is needed to complete the evaluation, or if it is determined that the property does not meet the National Register criteria

for evaluation, the nomination will be returned to the State.

We appreciate your participation in the National Register commenting process.

Sincerely,

Carol D. Shull (Sgd.)

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Acting Keeper of the National
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December 4, 1979

Carol D. Shull Acting Keeper of the National Register Heritage Conservation and Recreation Service Department of the Interior Pension Building, 440 G Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20243

RE: West Capitol Street Historic District

Dear Carol:

I am very excited that we are part of the historic district that has been placed in nomination for the National Register.

It is our opinion that this district, if approved, will enhance the redevelopment of downtown Jackson and will be a key factor in revitalizing the inner city.

Yes, we do welcome our property to be placed on the National Register.

Yours for Preserving Our National Heritage!

DIXIE RUBBER STAMP & SEAL COMPANY OF MISSISSIPPI, INC.

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Honorable John C. Stennis

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For further information, please call the National Register at (202)343-6401.

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Mrs. Margaret M. Laurence Mr. E. Dean Morley 743 Lawton Street McLean, Virginia 22101

Dear hirs. Laurence and hir. morley:

I have carefully considered your appeal of August 25, 1981, received in the National Register Division, National Park Service, August 31, 1981, concerning the Atlanta Regional Office's certification of the garage at Mill and Pearl Streets (R. E. Hines Motor Company), as a contributing obliding in the West Capitol Street Historic District, Jackson, Hines County, Mississippi. Following review of both the original application materials and the additional information which you provided, I have sustained the decision of the Regional Office with regard to this building.

as stated in the region's letter of July 24, 1581, the garage contributes to the significance of the west Capitol Street distoric District because it agos to the district's sense of time and place and historical development through its location, design, setting, materials, workmanship, feeling, and association. The West Capitol Street Historic District is described in the nomination documentation as containing numerous architectural styles and building types, primarily of brick construction, reflecting commercial development in Jackson between 1885 and 1830. In particular, the portion of the district south of west Capitol Street includes a variety of architectural styles. buttering neights and types, and historical uses-shops, office buildings, and hotel space, developed between 1900 and 1930. In this context, the R. E. Hines Motor Company, constructed in 1920 as an auto showroom, was an integral part of these varied downtown commercial uses; the building is identified in the nomination as a contributing building in the district. The building also contributes to the architectural values in the district. mustrating the manner in which elements of formal classical styles were applied to commercial buildings in the early 26th century. Although several of the display windows at the street level have been removed, the building retains sufficient integrity of design. materials, and worksausmy to contribute to the significance of the historic district.

The statement which you submitted at the appeal argues that the motor Company building at min and Pearl Streets is "an industrially designed and constructed industrial intrusion into a commercial historic district." The available documentation indicates that the building was constructed to sell and service automobiles, which is a commercial use. The construction technique and proportions of the building differ from those of other commercial buildings in the district because of the unusual nature of the product sold there. The building is similar to other commercial buildings in the district, however, in that it includes the basic elements of a commercial design—a ground floor space with generous window area to display products, and an interior sales area. For these reasons, the building is not considered to be an industrial building, or to "detract from the district's sense of time and place and historical development."

Pursuant to the Historic Preservation Certification regulations, 36 CFR 67.19 (formerly 1208.10), these findings are the final administrative decision in the certification process. As a result, this property is considered a certified historic structure for purposes of the Tax Reform Act of 1976, as amended, and the Economic Recovery Tax Act of 1981. We recommend that you consult Mr. Rudi Massengill of the Preservation Services Division, Atlanta Regional Office, National Park Service (404-221-2634) concerning the possibility of incorporating this structure into your proposed rehabilitation project. If you have any additional questions, please consult Sally Oldham or Carol Dubic of the National Register Division.

Sincerely yours,

Carol D. Shull (Sgd.)

Carol D. Shull Acting Keeper of the National Register

cc:

Mr. Elbert Hilliard

Director, State of Mississippi

Department of Archives and History

Post office Box 571

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Mr. Rudi Massengill

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Memo to file:

Additional documentation Entomitted by MS SHPO in an attempt to expand period of significance for AD to 1945 (to accommodate changes of 1945 to Millsaps Building - documentation not accepted by EAConnally in Part 2 appeal (weak, not make the Case).

Amy Schlasel 11/18/85