

**United States Department of the Interior
Heritage Conservation and Recreation Service**

**National Register of Historic Places
Inventory—Nomination Form**

See instructions in *How to Complete National Register Forms*
Type all entries—complete applicable sections

1. Name Frogmore Plantation House (See Letter dated 11-19-81)

historic Gillespie

and/or common Frogmore

2. Location

street & number Route 84 US 84 ___ not for publication

city, town Frogmore J vicinity of congressional district 5th-Jerry Huckaby

state La. code 022 county Concordia Parish code 029

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use	
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> museum
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input type="checkbox"/> commercial	<input type="checkbox"/> park
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> educational	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private residence
<input type="checkbox"/> site	Public Acquisition	Accessible	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> religious
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input type="checkbox"/> in process	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government	<input type="checkbox"/> scientific
	<input type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> other:

4. Owner of Property

name Mr. and Mrs. George Tanner

street & number _____

city, town Frogmore ___ vicinity of state La. 71335

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Concordia Parish Courthouse

street & number _____

city, town Vidalia state La.

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

title Louisiana Historic Sites Survey has this property been determined eligible? yes no

date 1979 federal state county local

depository for survey records State Historic Preservation Office

city, town Baton Rouge state La.

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

The Gillespie house is set near the massive Frogmore cotton gin complex in flat open farming country just east of Brushy Bayou. The house itself is a Louisiana frame raised cottage, three rooms wide, with a five-bay gallery and double pitch roof. Raised a full story above grade, the house is almost completely open at the ground floor level. English features of the house include its two exterior chimneys, its simple aedicule motif mantels, its emphasis upon the center with a central transomed, sidelighted double door, its simple corner block door frames, and its use of 6 over 6 sash windows and Greek Revival double panel doors. French features of the house include its lack of a central hall, its rear cabinets, and its use of three front doors on the front gallery.

The cabinets and rear gallery still exist in plan, but they have been adsorbed in a rear lean-to. Other changes include the slight lowering of the roof and the addition of a staircase in the front center room.

8. Significance

Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistoric	<input 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/
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700–1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> humanitarian
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800–1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900–	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)

Specific dates c. 1843 **Builder/Architect** Builder-John F. Gillespie

Statement of Significance (in one paragraph) Criterion C

The Gillespie house, despite the changes, retains all its essential features. It is one of the oldest structures in the area and stands as a fine example of a raised plantation house. In addition, it shows the combination of English and French characteristics which was common to many Louisiana plantation houses in the nineteenth century. Today houses of this type are rapidly disappearing.

9. Major Bibliographical References

Title search, Concordia Parish Courthouse.

10. Geographical Data

UTM NOT VERIFIED

Acreeage of nominated property approx. .7 acre

ACREAGE NOT VERIFIED

Quadrangle name _____

Quadrangle scale _____

UMT References

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Verbal boundary description and justification

Boundaries were drawn to encompass the house and the trees which form its immediate setting. The nominated area is bounded by a rectangle which extends 50' from the house on each side. The sides of the rectangle run parallel to facades of the house.

List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

state	code	county	code

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11. Form Prepared By

name/title Mr. and Mrs. George Tanner

organization _____ date December 1979

street & number _____ telephone _____

city or town Frogmore state La. 71335

12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification

The evaluated significance of this property within the state is:

___ national ___ state -x local

As the designated State Historic Preservation Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the Heritage Conservation and Recreation Service.

State Historic Preservation Officer signature *Donald L. Davis*

title State Historic Preservation Officer date 3/21/80

For NCRS use only

I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register

[Signature] 5/31/80
Keeper of the National Register

[Signature] 5/31/80
Agent

[Signature]
Chief of the District Office

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MAP

