

COUNTY _____ BLOCK _____ 229
CITY QUAD LOT _____ 2

NAME: _____ COUNTY: Harris
ADDRESS: 943 1/2 Cortlandt CITY: Houston

ARCHITECT/BUILDER: _____ DATE: _____ PERIOD: _____
OWNER: Miss Agnes Doyle etal STYLE: _____
945 Heights Blvd. Houston, TX THEME: _____

DESCRIPTION: Greek Revival, frame, 2-story, pitch roof, inset porch and gallery (set of 3 windows in pediment: center window is arched, flanked by smaller rectangles) supported by 4 large, square, wooden pillars, squared balusters upstairs, none on porch, had double front doors originally, full-length(cont)

BUILDING MATERIAL: wall: _____ roof: _____
PHYSICAL CONDITION: qual. - signif. (cont) SITE: original _____ or moved date c. 1927

ALTERATIONS: windows and doors all boarded; in very deteriorated state.
SIGNIFICANCE: This house is very unusual for the Heights. It appears to have been built earlier than most in the area, but seems to have been moved onto this spot perhaps in 1927. It retains much of its fine detail, but is in danger

AREA OF SIGNIFICANCE: _____ LEVEL OF SIGNIFICANCE: _____ (cont)

DESIGNATION: NR NHL RTHL HABS HAER HESI HSI OTHER: _____

ORIGINAL USE: residence PRESENT USE: vacant - appears to have (cont)

RELATIONSHIP TO SURROUNDINGS: very small yard with large bushes hiding the porch.

ACREAGE/BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION: _____

BIBLIOGRAPHIC DATA: _____
SEE INFO/CORRESPONDENCE FILES: _____

RECORDED BY: KLL INFORMANT: _____
DATE: 4/23/80 PHOTO DATA: 1 - 35mm

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National Park Service
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Inventory—Nomination Form**

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Site No. 43

NAME House at 943 1/2 Cortlandt Street COUNTY Harris BLOCK 229
ADDRESS 943 1/2 Cortlandt St. CITY Houston LOT 2
UTM Zone 15 E 268,440 N3,297,510
ARCHITECT/BUILDER unknown DATE 1905-10 PERIOD 1900--
OWNER Agnes Doyle STYLE Greek Colonial Revival
945 Heights, Houston, Texas 77008 THEME

DESCRIPTION Two-story frame house; Greek Colonial Revival style; pitched roof with front pediment; inset galleries with set of three windows in pediment (central window arched, flanked by smaller, rectangular openings); galleries supported by four large, square, wooden pillars with squared balusters between them on the second floor (none on first-floor porch); entablature above pillars; originally had double front doors, full-length windows on both floors on front; windows with one-over-one lights, some boarded up; three-sided bay window on side of house.

Building material: wall frame/clapboard roof composition
Physical condition fair site: original or moved date 1927

Alterations some windows and doors boarded up; house has deteriorated.

SIGNIFICANCE This house is unusual for the Heights. It appears to have been built earlier than most in the area and moved onto this spot perhaps in 1927. It retains much of its detailing, but is in danger from vandals, etc., because it is vacant. While there are some other houses of substance in the area, this remains visually prominent and at its site over 50 years. Historic configuration remains unchanged *

Area of significance architecture Level of significance local

DESIGNATION: NR NHL RTHL HABS HAER HESI HSI OTHER

ORIGINAL USE residence PRESENT USE long vacant

RELATIONSHIP TO SURROUNDINGS Small yard with large bushes hiding the first-floor porch; residential area.

ACREAGE/BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION less than one acre

BIBLIOGRAPHY

RECORDED BY K. L. London

INFORMANT

DATE April 23, 1980

PHOTO DATA 1 - 35 mm., Tex. Hist. Commission

and is in fair structural condition. Pedimented portico and massing indicates Greek Revival influence uncommon at that time.

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Substantive Review
DOE/OWNER OBJECTION

DOE

House at 943 1/2 Cortlandt St. (Houston Heights MRA)
Harris County
TEXAS

Working No. 5/9/83
Fed. Reg. Date: _____
Date Due: 6/23/83
Action: ACCEPT
 RETURN 6/22/83
 REJECT
Federal Agency: _____

Substantive Review

- resubmission
 - nomination by person or local government
 - owner objection
 - appeal
- Substantive Review: sample request appeal NR decision

Reviewer's comments:

*No explanation of significance
No discussion of integrity or justification of
exception to the criteria*

Recom./Criteria Return
Reviewer Brown
Discipline Historia
Date 6/22/83
see continuation sheet

Nomination returned for: technical corrections cited below
 substantive reasons discussed below

1. Name

2. Location

3. Classification

| | | | |
|----------|--------------------|------------|-------------|
| Category | Ownership | Status | Present Use |
| | Public Acquisition | Accessible | |

4. Owner of Property

5. Location of Legal Description

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

has this property been determined eligible? yes no

7. Description

| | | |
|------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|---|
| Condition | Check one | Check one |
| <input type="checkbox"/> excellent | <input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated | <input type="checkbox"/> original site |
| <input type="checkbox"/> good | <input type="checkbox"/> ruins | <input type="checkbox"/> altered |
| <input type="checkbox"/> fair | <input type="checkbox"/> unexposed | <input type="checkbox"/> moved date _____ |

Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

- summary paragraph
- completeness
- clarity
- alterations/integrity *- see #8, over*
- dates

8. Significance

Period _____ Area of Significance—Check and justify below _____

Specific dates _____ Builder/Architect _____

Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

- summary paragraph
- completeness
- clarity
- applicable criteria
- justification of areas checked
- relating significance to the resource
- context
- relationship of integrity to significance
- justification of exception
- other

What is unusual about this house and why is that significant? How does this house meet National Register criterion C?

Please discuss the effect of the move on integrity of location, setting, and association (ex. - if this is a good example of a style + type of house built by the wealthy class in a particular fashionable area of the neighborhood, can it still represent that in a new location outside that area, especially in its poor condition?). Please explain the poor condition of the house (structural, cosmetic, etc - explain), and the impact of the condition on integrity.

9. Major Bibliographical References

10. Geographical Data

Address of nominated property _____

Geographic name _____

USIT Reference _____

Verbal boundary description and justification _____

11. Form Prepared By

12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification

The evaluated significance of this property within the state is:

national state local

State Historic Preservation Officer signature _____

Title _____ Date _____

13. Other

- Maps
- Photographs
- Other

Questions concerning this nomination may be directed to _____

Signed Bob Groves Date 6/30/83 Phone: 202 272-3504

Comments for any item may be continued on an attached sheet

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Multiple Resource Area
Thematic Group

Name Houston Heights Multiple Resource Area
State Texas

Nomination/Type of Review

Date/Signature

- 51. House at 402 E. 11th Street **Entered in the National Register** *for* Keeper Melona Byers 6/22/83
Attest _____
- Results* 52. House at 505 W. 18th Street **Substantive Review** Keeper Both Grosvenor 5/14/83
Attest _____
- 53. House at 532 Harvard Street **Entered in the National Register** *for* Keeper Melona Byers 6/22/83
Attest _____
- 54. House at 828 Heights Boulevard **Entered in the National Register** *for* Keeper Melona Byers 6/22/83
Attest _____
- 55. House at 844 Columbia Street **Entered in the National Register** *for* Keeper Melona Byers 6/22/83
Attest _____
- 56. House at 844 Cortlandt **Entered in the National Register** *for* Keeper Melona Byers 6/22/83
Attest _____
- Results* 57. House at 917 Heights Boulevard **Entered in the National Register** *for* Keeper Melona Byers 5/14/83
Attest _____
- Results* 58. House at 943 1/2 Cortlandt St. **Substantive Review** **DJE/OWNER OBJECTION** *Eligible* **Determined Eligible** Keeper Both Grosvenor 5/14/83
Attest _____
- 59. Houston Heights Fire Station **Entered in the National Register** *for* Keeper Melona Byers 6/22/83
Attest _____
- 60. Houston Heights Waterworks Reservoir **Entered in the National Register** *for* Keeper Melona Byers 6/22/83
Attest _____

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EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

DOE/OWNER OBJECTION

House at 943 1/2 Cortlandt Street
(Houston Heights MRA)
Harris County
TEXAS

Substantive Review

Working No. 5/9/83
Fed. Reg. Date: _____
Date Due: 5/24/84
Action: ACCEPT 5-14-84
 RETURN _____
 REJECT _____
Federal Agency: _____

Determined Eligible

- resubmission
- nomination by person or local government
- owner objection
- appeal

Substantive Review: sample request appeal NR decision

Reviewer's comments:

Recom./Criteria Eligible
Reviewer Grover
Discipline Historic
Date 5/14/84
_____ see continuation sheet

Nomination returned for: _____ technical corrections cited below
_____ substantive reasons discussed below

1. Name

2. Location

3. Classification

| Category | Ownership | Status | Present Use |
|----------|--------------------|------------|-------------|
| | Public Acquisition | Accessible | |
| | | | |

4. Owner of Property

5. Location of Legal Description

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

Has this property been determined eligible? yes no

7. Description

| | | |
|------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|---|
| Condition | Check one | Check one |
| <input type="checkbox"/> excellent | <input type="checkbox"/> unaltered | <input type="checkbox"/> original site |
| <input type="checkbox"/> good | <input type="checkbox"/> altered | <input type="checkbox"/> moved date _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> fair | <input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated | |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> ruins | |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> unexposed | |

Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

- summary paragraph
- completeness
- clarity
- alterations/integrity
- dates
- boundary selection

8. Significance

Period _____ Areas of Significance—Check and justify below

Specific dates _____ Builder/Architect _____
Statement of Significance (*in one paragraph*)

- summary paragraph
- completeness
- clarity
- applicable criteria
- justification of areas checked
- relating significance to the resource
- context
- relationship of integrity to significance
- justification of exception
- other

9. Major Bibliographical References

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property _____

Quadrangle name _____

UTM References _____

Verbal boundary description and justification _____

11. Form Prepared By

12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification

The evaluated significance of this property within the state is:

____ national ____ state ____ local

State Historic Preservation Officer signature _____

title _____ date _____

13. Other

- Maps
- Photographs
- Other

Questions concerning this nomination may be directed to _____

Signed _____ Date _____ Phone: _____

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National Park Service

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House at 943 1/2 Cortlandt Street (Houston Heights MRA) Harris County, Texas

Was Owner Objection - Determined Eligible 5/11/84

New Owner - owner objection removed

Listed

1/7/93

Delmer Byer

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

REQUESTED ACTION: NOMINATION

PROPERTY House at 943 1/2 Cortlandt Street
NAME:

MULTIPLE Houston Heights MRA
NAME:

STATE & COUNTY: TEXAS, Harris

DATE RECEIVED: 12/11/92 DATE OF PENDING LIST: 12/22/92
DATE OF 16TH DAY: 1/07/93 DATE OF 45TH DAY: 1/25/93
DATE OF WEEKLY LIST:

REFERENCE NUMBER: 84003972

NOMINATOR: STATE

REASONS FOR REVIEW:

APPEAL: N DATA PROBLEM: N LANDSCAPE: N LESS THAN 50 YEARS: N
OTHER: N PDIL: N PERIOD: N PROGRAM UNAPPROVED: N
REQUEST: N SAMPLE: N SLR DRAFT: N NATIONAL: N

COMMENT WAIVER: N

ACCEPT RETURN REJECT 1/7/93 DATE

ABSTRACT/SUMMARY COMMENTS:

RECOM./CRITERIA _____
REVIEWER _____
DISCIPLINE _____
DATE _____

DOCUMENTATION see attached comments Y/N see attached SLR Y/N

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CLASSIFICATION

___ count ___ resource type

STATE/FEDERAL AGENCY CERTIFICATION

FUNCTION

___ historic ___ current

DESCRIPTION

___ architectural: classification
___ materials
___ descriptive text

SIGNIFICANCE

Period Areas of Significance--Check and justify below

Specific dates Builder/Architect

Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

___ summary paragraph

___ completeness

___ clarity

___ applicable criteria

___ justification of areas checked

___ relating significance to the resource

___ context

___ relationship of integrity to significance

___ justification of exception

___ other

BIBLIOGRAPHY

GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

___ acreage ___ verbal boundary description
___ UTMs ___ boundary justification

ACCOMPANYING DOCUMENTATION/PRESENTATION

___ sketch maps ___ USGS maps ___ photographs ___ presentation

OTHER COMMENTS

Questions concerning this nomination may be directed to

Phone _____

Signed _____

Date _____



943 1/2 Cortlandt

Houston Heights

Site No. 43, 943 1/2 Cortlandt

Houston, Texas 77008

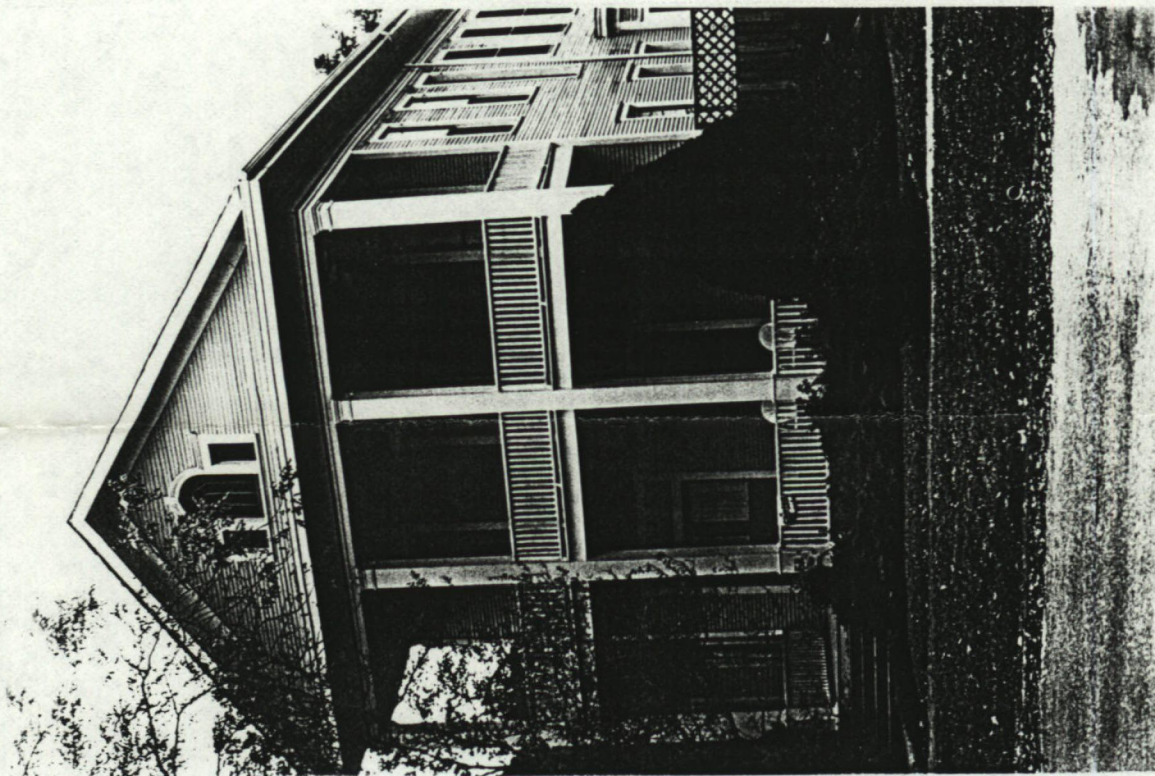
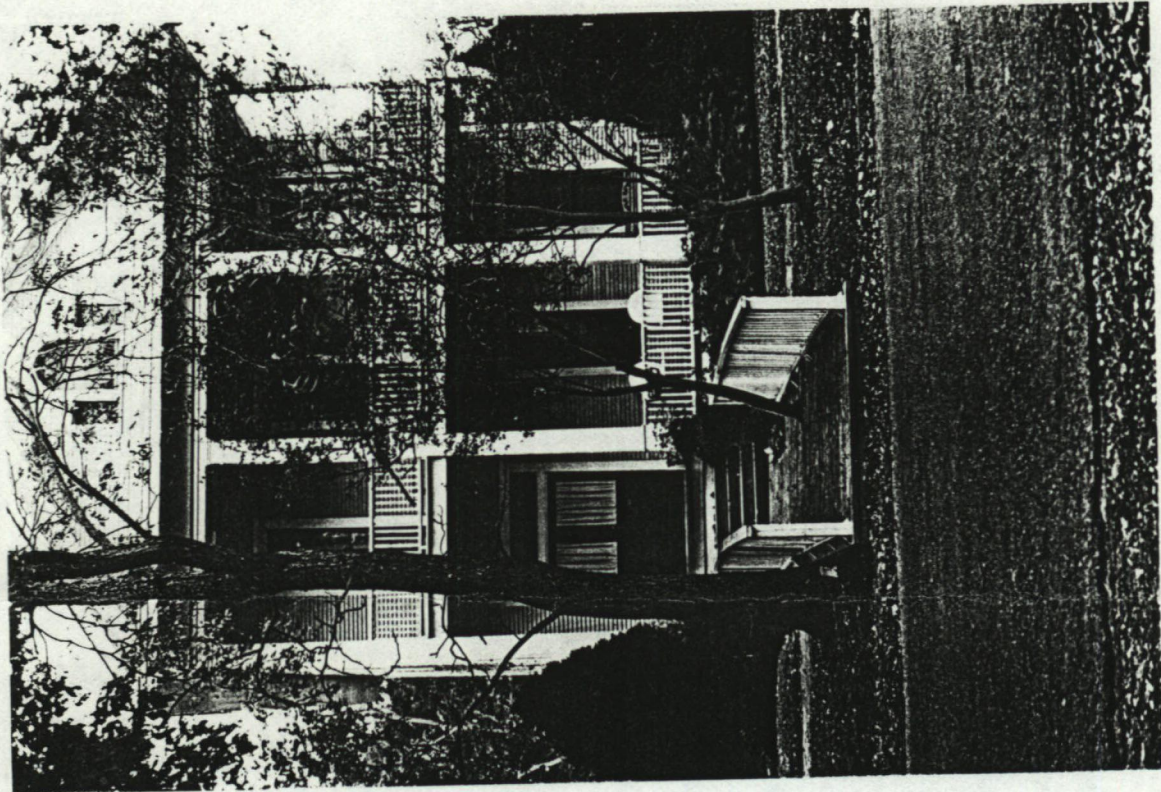
Photo: K.L. London, April 23, 1980

On file, Texas Historical Commission

Front facade, looking west

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Please refer to the map in the
Multiple Property Cover Sheet
for this property

Multiple Property Cover Sheet Reference Number: 64000847

945 Heights Blvd.
Houston, Tex.

March 21, 1983

National Park Service;
Mr. Curtis Jurnell;
Mr. Peter Flagg Maxson;

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TEXAS HISTORICAL COMMISSION

Dear Mr. Peter Flagg Maxson:

In regard to our phone conversation
this after-noon, I am now complying
with the written notice:

I do not want to have 945 Heights Blvd.
or 943 1/2 Costlandt on the National
Register of Historic Places.

Yours truly,
Agnes Doyle,
945 Heights Blvd.,
Houston, Texas 77008.

SWORN + SUBSCRIBED BEFORE ME, A NOTARY
Public, by the SAID Agnes Doyle this the 21ST DAY
OF MARCH, 1983.

Virginia M. Hutchinson
NOTARY Public IN AND
FOR HARRIS COUNTY TEXAS.

My Commission Expires
11-24-84

MAY 9 1983

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MAR 31 1983

TEXAS HISTORICAL COMMISSION

Mr. Curtis Tunnell
State Historic Preservation Officer
Texas Historical Commission
P.O. Box 12276
Austin, TX 78711

Dear Mr. Tunnell:

This will confirm that I am fully aware of the effects of listing a property in the National Register of Historic Places. I recognize that, under the National Historic Preservation Act, I am entitled to object to the proposed listing of my property by a notarized, written statement. If I am the sole owner and I object, my property will not be listed. If there are multiple owners of this property and a majority of the owners object, the property will not be listed.

Following is the address of my property:

945 Heights Blvd.
Houston, Tex. 77008

943 1/2 Countland Dr.
Houston, Texas. 77008

I hereby exercise my right to object to the proposed listing and notify you that I request that my property not be listed in the National Register.

Sincerely,

Agnes Doyle

Sworn to and ascribed before me this 25 day of March A.D. 1983

James H. Barry
Notary Public State of Texas

My commission expires 1985.



CURTIS TUNNELL
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

TEXAS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
P.O. BOX 12276 AUSTIN, TEXAS 78711 (512) 475-3092

June 8, 1984

Agnes Doyle
945 Heights
Houston, TX 77008

Dear Ms. Doyle:

On May 14, 1984 both the house at 943 1/2 Cortlandt Street and the Doyle House at 945 Heights Blvd., as part of the Houston Heights Multiple Resource Area, Houston, Harris County, Texas were determined eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places. The properties were not listed on the Register as per your request, but you have the right to petition the Keeper of the National Register to change the status of the buildings from eligible to listed should you so desire. We feel that the structures are of some importance, and will be glad to help in any way possible.

Thank you for your consideration.

Yours truly,

Curtis Tunnell
Executive Director
Texas Historical Commission

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November 30, 1992

Mr. Jim Steely
Ms. Lisa Hart
c/o Texas Historical Commission
P. O. Box 12276
Austin, Texas 78711

RE: 943 1/2 Cortlandt Street, Houston, Texas

Dear Mr. Steely and Ms. Hart:

The purpose of this letter is to inform you that I am the owner of the above described house and to request that the house be listed on the National Register of Historical Places. I purchased the house in 1988 and have lived in the house continuously since then.

The house was the original rectory for All Saints Catholic Church and consists of eleven rooms with two staircases. The floors and wood trim throughout the house are all longleaf yellow pine, which has never been painted.

As a member of the National Trust for many years, my interest in historic preservation runs deep. The house has been appropriately and finely restored, and has been on the Heights Historical Home Tour. The house is a great example of a Greek Revival semi-public structure.

Enclosed are a few recent photos and a copy of a letter from Curtis Tunnell to the previous owner describing the house as eligible for listing.

If there is anything further that you would need to change this property's status from "eligible" to "listed" please advise.

Thanking you for your attention to this matter, I remain,

Very truly yours,



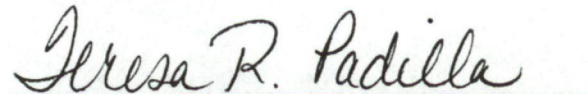
David J. Bebout

DJB/tps
Enclosures

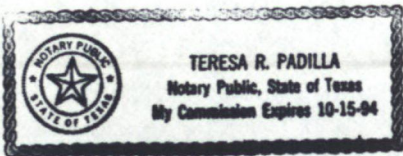
STATE OF TEXAS **

COUNTY OF HARRIS **

Before me, the undersigned authority, appeared David J. Bebout, who upon oath stated that the statements made herein are true and correct. Sworn and subscribed to before me on this the 30th day of November, 1992 to certify which witness thereof my hand and seal of office.



NOTARY PUBLIC IN AND
FOR THE STATE OF TEXAS



(SEAL)

MY COMMISSION EXPIRES:

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CURTIS TUNNELL
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

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TEXAS HISTORICAL COMMISSION

P.O. BOX 12276

AUSTIN, TEXAS 78711

(512)463-6100

December 3, 1992

Ms. Carol Shull
National Park Service
National Register Division
P.O. Box 37127
Washington, DC 20013-7127

Dear Carol:

The residence at 943 1/2 Cortlandt Street (Houston Heights Multiple Resource Area) in Houston, Harris County, was determined eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places on May 14, 1984. The previous owner, Mrs. Agnes Doyle, did not wish to have her home listed in the National Register and submitted a notarized letter of objection. The property was purchased by David Bebout in 1988 and it is the current owner's wish to have the home listed in the National Register. Mr. Bebout's notarized letter of request for listing is enclosed along with photocopies of snapshots of the home. We have also included a copy of the letter to Mrs. Doyle.

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended, I hereby certify that this property meets National Register criteria and request that it be listed in the National Register of Historic Places.

Sincerely,

Curtis Tunnell
State Historic Preservation Officer
Texas Historical Commission

CT/MC:pc
Enclosures