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National Park Service

National Register of Historic Places  
Inventory—Nomination Form

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Item number 4,7,8,10

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Site No. 123

NAME Henry Hicks McCain House COUNTY Harris BLOCK 215  
ADDRESS 1026 Allston CITY Houston LOT W 86' of 19, 20  
UTM 268040/3297720  
ARCHITECT/BUILDER Unknown DATE 1912 PERIOD 1900 -  
OWNER James T. Hurst & Dennis J. Gustin STYLE Foursquare with Prairie influence  
1026 Allston, Houston, TX 77008 THEME \_\_\_\_\_

DESCRIPTION 2-and-1/2-story frame dwelling faces west on cast stone piers; hipped roof covers basic rectangular plan; principal facade consists of a-b-a configuration on the first floor and a-b-b-a on the second; 2-story porch stretches across west facade supported by four tapered, wooden columns mounted on high cast stone piers on the first floor and four square, wooden columns on the second; a balustrade of carpenter cut balusters connects the columns on both floors; a center opening is provided on the first floor with access to the house by wooden steps and side rails; all windows are

Building material: wall frame, false roof composition

Physical condition excellent bevel site: original  or moved \_\_\_\_\_ date \_\_\_\_\_

Alterations Rear addition added using similar materials (no date); rear frame,

SIGNIFICANCE The McCain House is significant as one of the few foursquare houses in the Heights. Although larger in scale than most Heights houses, it reflects the use of a popular early-20th-century style used in the house of a prominent citizen. The owner, Henry Hicks McCain, was a medical doctor who later became a Methodist minister, pastoring at several Houston Methodist churches, including Grace and Collins Methodist Churches in the Heights. He was founder of the Methodist Hospital in Houston and served as Chairman for 15 years.

Area of significance architecture Level of significance local

DESIGNATION: NR NHL RTHL HABS HAER HESI HSI OTHER \_\_\_\_\_

ORIGINAL USE residence PRESENT USE residence

RELATIONSHIP TO SURROUNDINGS Located on the corner of a primarily residential block with houses of similar age and period styles surrounding. Semi-circular driveway on west

ACREAGE/BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION less than one acre

BIBLIOGRAPHY Tax Rolls, Sanborn Maps

RECORDED BY Joanna Schima

INFORMANT \_\_\_\_\_

DATE August 1987

PHOTO DATA 35mm b/w & slides (7), THC

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CONTINUATIONS:

Description cont.

1-over-1 with the west elevation windows having decorative vertical/horizontal muntins and strong Prairie School influence.

Alterations cont.

modern garage is not contributing

Relationship to Surroundings cont.

side of lot.



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Multiple Resource Area  
Thematic Group

Name Houston Heights MRA  
State Harris County, TEXAS

Nomination/Type of Review \_\_\_\_\_ Date/Signature \_\_\_\_\_

- 110. Copeland, Austin, House I  
*Substantive Review*  
Keeper Linda McClelland 1/15/88  
Attest \_\_\_\_\_
- 111. Copeland, Austin, House II  
*Entered in the National Register*  
Keeper Melvyn Byrum 1/15/88  
Attest \_\_\_\_\_
- 112. Fluegel, William F., House  
*Substantive Review*  
Keeper Linda McClelland 1/15/88  
Attest \_\_\_\_\_
- 113. House at 1217 Harvard  
*Entered in the National Register*  
Keeper Melvyn Byrum 1/15/88  
Attest \_\_\_\_\_
- 114. House at 1220 Harvard  
*Substantive Review*  
Keeper Linda McClelland 1/15/88  
Attest \_\_\_\_\_
- 115. House at 1435 Heights Boulevard  
*Entered in the National Register*  
Keeper Melvyn Byrum 1/15/88  
Attest \_\_\_\_\_
- 116. Kennedy, Marshall W., House  
*Substantive Review*  
Keeper Linda McClelland 1/15/88  
Attest \_\_\_\_\_
- 117. Lindenberg, Emil, House  
*Substantive Review*  
Keeper Linda McClelland 1/15/88  
Attest \_\_\_\_\_
- 118. McCain, Henry Hicks, House  
*Substantive Review*  
Keeper Linda McClelland 1/15/88  
Attest \_\_\_\_\_
- 119. Morton Brothers Grocery  
*Entered in the National Register*  
Keeper Melvyn Byrum 1/15/88  
Attest \_\_\_\_\_



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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES  
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

McCain, Henry Hicks, House (Houston Heights  
MRA)  
Harris County  
TEXAS

*Substantive Review*

Working No. DEC 2 1987  
Fed. Reg. Date: 2/7/89  
Date Due: 12/31/87 - 1/16/88  
Action:  ACCEPT 1-15-88  
 RETURN  
 REJECT

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

Federal Agency: \_\_\_\_\_

Substantive Review:  sample  request  appeal  NR decision

Reviewer's comments:

*This property is significant as one of the few four square houses in Houston Heights.*

Recom./Criteria Accept - C  
Reviewer Noble  
Discipline Historian  
Date 1/15/88  
\_\_\_\_\_ 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"/> moved date _____
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed	
	<input type="checkbox"/> unaltered	
	<input type="checkbox"/> altered	

Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

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



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**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

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**9. Major Bibliographical References**

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**10. Geographical Data**

Acreege of nominated property \_\_\_\_\_

Quadrangle name \_\_\_\_\_

UTM References \_\_\_\_\_

Verbal boundary description and justification \_\_\_\_\_

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**11. Form Prepared By**

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**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 \_\_\_\_\_

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**13. Other**

- Maps
- Photographs
- Other

Questions concerning this nomination may be directed to \_\_\_\_\_

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_





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Historic Resources of Houston Heights  
Site No. 123, McCain House, 1026 Allston  
Houston, Harris County, Texas

Photo by R. W. Schima, 1987, neg.  
with photographer, Houston, Texas

Front Facade, camera looking east

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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