RESOLUTION NO. 2120

A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE MONTEITH HISTORIC DISTRICT ON THE NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES.

WHEREAS, significantly more than 50% * of the proposed Monteith District property owners and residents have signed petitions requesting that their area be permitted to apply to the National Register of Historic Places to be recognized as a historic district, and

WHEREAS, a street-by-street survey of the entire city was completed in April, 1978, by a State recognized Preservation Architect and buildings were rated in regard to their relative significance, and

WHEREAS, said survey identified the proposed Monteith District as having an unusual amount of historic buildings which would qualify the area for State and National recognition as a Historic District, and

WHEREAS, the survey and the resulting National Register nomination based on that survey was approved on June 6, 1978, by the State Advisory Committee on Historic Preservation for submission to the Keeper of the National Register, and

WHEREAS, National Register designation will in no manner limit the rights of the property owner in terms of the alteration or demolition of the identified structure, unless the owner has of his own accord applied for and received one of the several tax, loan and grant packages available to National Register properties, and

WHEREAS, it is understood that owners of income producing properties within the District will be penalized for the demolition of a listed structure unless protective steps to decertify the structure have been taken, and

WHEREAS, it is understood that any federal dollars proposed for use in the District will require assurance that the project intended will not significantly harm the District or elements thereof, and

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WHEREAS, LCDC Goal 5 regarding "Open Spaces, Scenic and Historic Areas, and Natural Resources" requires the protection of "scenic and historic areas...for future generations" and further specifies that "The National Register of Historic Places and the recommendations of the State Advisory Committee on Historic Preservation should be utilized in designating historic sites," and

WHEREAS, the LCDC Housing Goal #10 indicates that "an inventory of sound housing in urban areas including units capable of being rehabilitated," shall be completed and that "plans should take into account the effects of utilizing financial incentives and resources to (a) stimulate the rehabilitation of substandard housing without regard to the financial capacity of the owner so long as benefits accrue to the occupants;" and

WHEREAS, the City is currently the recipient of a three-year Community Development Grant Program which recognizes and monetarily addresses the housing rehabilitation needs of the proposed historic district area and further requires that all Community Development rehabilitation work in the area recognize and protect the historic aspects of the buildings being rehabilitated, and

WHEREAS, many homeowners in the proposed district have spent considerable time and expense to rehabilitate or restore their older homes and therefore desire the recognition provided by a National Register district, and

WHEREAS, past preservation activities in this area have stimulated an increase in the amount of Statewide recognition given the Albany area, and

WHEREAS, it is felt by the residents of the proposed district that the National Register recognition and resulting improvements would contribute to the beautification of the City, the education, enjoyment and pride of its citizens, and the increased economic vitality of the community, Resolution No. <u>21200</u> Page Three

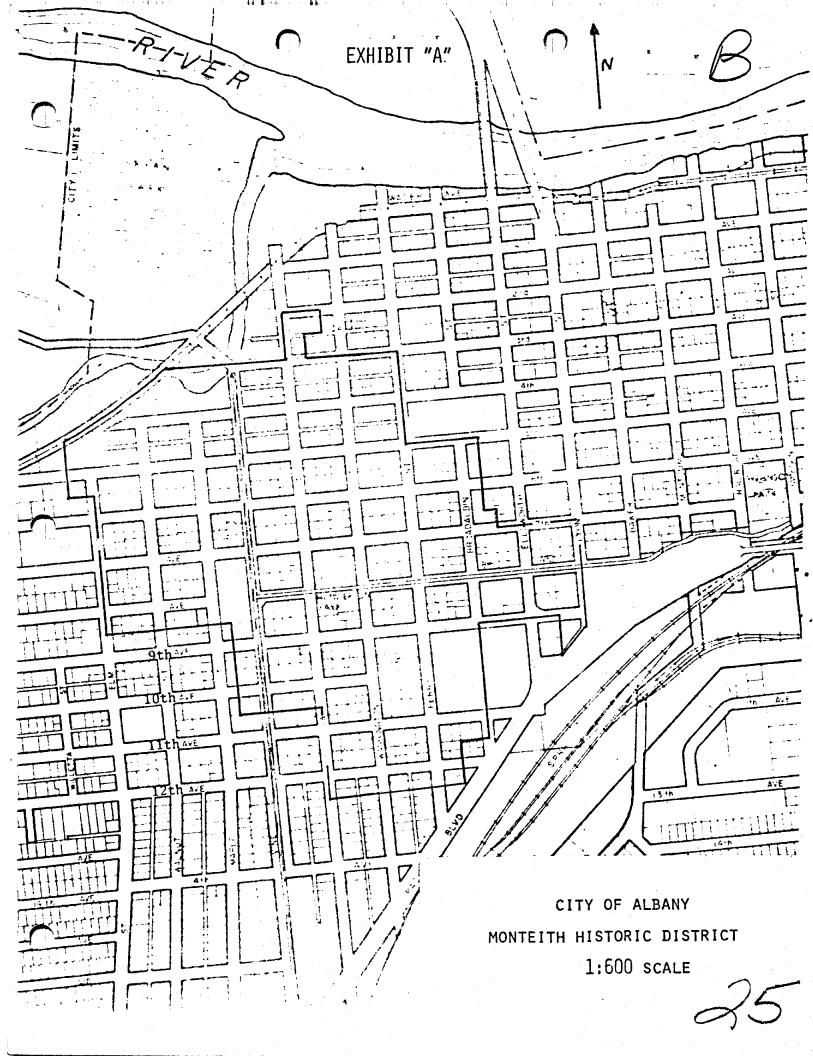
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Albany, Oregon, that the Council members support the nomination of the proposed Monteith Historic District to the National Register of Historic Places as described by the map which is attached hereto as Exhibit "A" and by this reference incorporated herein.

Approved by City Council by the City of Albany, Oregon this 10th day of October, 1979.

Kichand S. Olien Mayor

Attest: Recorder

* Final statistics for owner and resident petitioners will be provided Council prior to the meeting and further, will be attached to the resolution.



To the Albany City Council

October 4, 1979

Dear Council Members:

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Over the past year and one-half, many residents of the Central Neighborhood have become aware of the historic significance of the entire West side of the neighborhood, what has come to be described as the "Monteith District," based on the McMath survey and past proposals to create historic districts. The significance of the area has only been magnified to many of us by the increasing interest shown in restoring many of the neighborhood's historic structures, the incredible interest among people in the valley who come in ever larger numbers just to see these old homes and the regional and even national recognition of our neighborhood by the media.

The residents of the "Montoith District," have, as you know, acted on this growing awareness by petitioning the previous council to officially recorrend historic districts to the National Register of Historic Places. In addition, we have worked on a variety of city-wide committees and plans with the object of gaining offical recognition of the historic value of this area. I think it has been obvious for some time now that within the "Monteith District," cupport is strong for official recognition. The West side precincts even passed the Core Area Improvement Plan in support of the historic component of the plan.

Despite this record of active support for the official recognition of the "Monteith District," I fear that the desire of neighborhood residents has not been self-evident. Each discussion and proposal for the creation of the Monteith Mistoric District has been linked to larger plans involving other possibly historic areas or downtown improvement. All of us have heard it said again and again that, standing alone, the proposed Monteith Historic District obviously merits official recognition. But, it has never been presented strictly on its own merits.

In light of all of the above about a month ago a number of residents of the "Monteith District," began c callating a petition designed to verify the support we think has been serievident among residents and property owners in the area. The title of the petition read as follows:

"Je, the undersigned pro______ty owners and/or residents of the proposed Monteith Histori District, request that the Albany City Council officially re_____mize the area as a National Register eligible district ' allow the submission of such application to the U.S. Depa_____nt of the Interior."

Having collected signatures from what ____lieve is well over 50% of the property owners in the district, I have _____ked with City planning staff in developing a proposed resolution for t. Council's scrutiny at the October 10th, Council meeting. The resolut _____ is directed toward the

proposed Konteith District by itself. The val. ity of the area an historic treasure is I think unquestioned. The people of the area, who can nich of this historic property have now demonstrated their feelings unmistakably. I don't think a stronger recommendation for your approval of the Konteith Miscoric District could be offered.

If I can answer any questions c provide you with r re specific figures on the results of the petition dr please feel free contact me.

Respectfully, LARE Doug Clark

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