

HO-843, House  
10109 & 10111 Frederick Road, Ellicott City  
Howard County  
Ca. 1925  
Private

#### CAPSULE SUMMARY

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This house is significant under criteria C in the area of architecture as an unusual example of a Mission Revival style dwelling from the early 20<sup>th</sup> century. It is also worth noting as an example of the formerly residential nature of this portion of the National Road which is rapidly being overrun by commercial development.

# Maryland Historical Trust

## Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties Form

Inventory No. HO-843

### 1. Name of Property (indicate preferred name)

historic House  
 other \_\_\_\_\_

### 2. Location

street and number 10109 and 10111 Frederick Road \_\_\_\_\_ not for publication  
 city, town Ellicott City \_\_\_\_\_ vicinity  
 county Howard

### 3. Owner of Property (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name Veli Demirel  
 street and number 3580 Saint Johns Lane telephone \_\_\_\_\_  
 city, town Ellicott City state MD zip code 21042

### 4. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Howard County Courthouse tax map and parcel: Map 24, P 62  
 city, town Ellicott City liber 5560 folio 208

### 5. Primary Location of Additional Data

- Contributing Resource in National Register District
- Contributing Resource in Local Historic District
- Determined Eligible for the National Register/Maryland Register
- Determined Ineligible for the National Register/Maryland Register
- Recorded by HABS/HAER
- Historic Structure Report or Research Report
- Other \_\_\_\_\_

### 6. Classification

Category	Ownership	Current Function	Resource Count
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	Contributing Noncontributing
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce/trade	<u>1</u> _____
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> defense	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> site		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> domestic	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> object		<input type="checkbox"/> education	_____
		<input type="checkbox"/> funerary	<u>1</u> <u>0</u> Total
		<input type="checkbox"/> government	
		<input type="checkbox"/> health care	
		<input type="checkbox"/> industry	
		<input type="checkbox"/> landscape	
		<input type="checkbox"/> recreation/culture	
		<input type="checkbox"/> religion	
		<input type="checkbox"/> social	
		<input type="checkbox"/> transportation	
		<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	
		<input type="checkbox"/> unknown	
		<input type="checkbox"/> vacant/not in use	
		<input type="checkbox"/> other:	
			<b>Number of Contributing Resources previously listed in the Inventory</b>
			<u>0</u>

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## 7. Description

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### Condition

- |  |                                       |
|--|---------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> excellent       | <input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> good | <input type="checkbox"/> ruins        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> fair            | <input type="checkbox"/> altered      |
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Prepare both a one paragraph summary and a comprehensive description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

This interesting stone duplex seems intended to replicate the Mission Revival style with its flat, parapeted roof. It is one of the more unique properties along Frederick Road but is in an area that has seen a lot of change in the last 25 years. The house faces north on the south side of Frederick Road just west of Centennial Lane. The construction of the house may have predated the construction of Route 40. If so, it was located along the old National Road when it was still the main east-west route through Howard County. The property is now surrounded by a mix of residential and commercial development near the intersection of Route 144 and Route 40. Ranch houses are located to the east and west. Across the street, there is a High's market, a large gas station and an old four-square now vacant and boarded up (HO-844). Another old house was recently demolished two lots to the east and the entire area south of Frederick Road from the daycare center on the corner to the west edge of this property was recently clear cut and partially graded leading to speculation that some sort of commercial development is planned for the area.

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The four bay front (north) façade holds two entrances and two windows. The entrances are in the center two bays and only the one on the right retains its original design. The door itself is flush with four diamond shaped panes of glass and is probably a mid-20th century replacement but the transom and sidelights surrounding it appear to be original. The doorway on the left has been reduced in size with the transom and sidelights eliminated. The end bays hold paired 1/1 double hung windows. A front porch spans the full width of the front façade. The hipped roof is supported by plain square posts and a picket fence is used for the balustrade.

The unpainted west façade has a window in a second or half story near the front of the building in addition to three windows across the first story and one or two in the basement level. All of the windows hold 1/1 double hung sash. The parapeted roof steps down from the front of the building to the rear.

The east façade does not have a window in the upper half story nor does it have any windows in the basement, just three windows across the first story.

## 8. Significance

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Period	Areas of Significance	Check and justify below		
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> health/medicine	<input type="checkbox"/> performing arts
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> invention	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-1999	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment/ recreation	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
<input type="checkbox"/> 2000-	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> ethnic heritage	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/ settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> social history
	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning		<input type="checkbox"/> maritime industry	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation		<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> other:

**Specific dates** ca. 1925

**Architect/Builder** unknown

**Construction dates** ca. 1925

Evaluation for:

National Register

Maryland Register

not evaluated

Prepare a one-paragraph summary statement of significance addressing applicable criteria, followed by a narrative discussion of the history of the resource and its context. (For compliance reports, complete evaluation on a DOE Form - see manual.)

This house is significant under criteria C in the area of architecture as an unusual example of a Mission Revival style dwelling from the early 20th century. It is also worth noting as an example of the formerly residential nature of this portion of the National Road which is rapidly being overrun by commercial development.

The Mission Revival enjoyed its greatest popularity in California and other states with an Hispanic heritage from around 1890 until 1930. Just as the east coast embraced the Colonial Revival style in an effort to reconnect with their colonial heritage, so the Mission Revival and Spanish Eclectic styles enjoyed immense popularity on the west coast. In the 1910's and 20's the style spread east and Mission inspired bungalows and villas can be found in many early subdivisions around the country. Markers of the style include shaped parapets, red tile roofs, round arched door and window openings, entry porches with large square supports, and stuccoed masonry construction with smooth wall surfaces.

This particular house clearly fits into the Mission Revival style because of its flat, parapeted roof but it is in no way typical of that style. It seems likely that it was constructed around 1920 during the style's later years of popularity after it had spread to the east coast. As is often the case, an individual builder chose to borrow one major element of the style – in this case the roof – but otherwise constructed a very vernacular building. The use of rubble construction is interesting, especially since it appears to have originally been exposed instead of stuccoed to create a smooth surface. And it is interesting that he attempted to create a shaped parapet out of rubble stone or brick by building small cairns. Stone was a very popular building material in the Ellicott City area in the 19th century but was not often used after the turn of the century. The builder also chose very traditional entrances with transoms and sidelights that are more appropriate to the more common Colonial Revival style. As a result, the building is a good example of a vernacular interpretation of the Mission Revival style and is highly unique in Howard County.

The house also gains some significance from its location on the National Road. The National Road was laid out in the early 19th century and was the east-west route through Howard County and the country at that time. Over the past 200 years a variety of structures have been built and demolished along the road. Small businesses, including mills, blacksmiths, and general stores, tended to spring up at major crossroads while the long stretches in between were dotted with houses and farms. By 1900, the National Road was seeing increasingly heavy traffic and the age of the automobile was fast approaching. Route 40 was constructed parallel to the National Road in 1925. When completed, Route 40 stretched from coast to coast and, by the 1950's, was referred to as the Golden Highway. As the country's interstate system expanded during the 1970's, Route 40 became obsolete as the main east-west route across the country. In Howard County, Route 40 closely parallels the old National Road and Interstate 70 was later partially constructed on the alignment of Route 40. Today, Route 40 remains a separate road only in the eastern portion of the county around Ellicott City. Increased traffic and development pressure have had a negative impact on the old National Road all through Howard County but this particular area has seen the greatest impact since the alignments of the two roads are virtually on top of each other. This portion of the National Road seems sure to change from mostly residential to largely commercial in the next 5 to

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10 years, but in the meantime it is worth noting the interesting structures that remain.

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## 9. Major Bibliographical References

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## 10. Geographical Data

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Acreage of surveyed property 1  
Acreage of historical setting .25  
Quadrangle name Ellicott City Quadrangle scale 1:24000

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Verbal boundary description and justification

Tax map 24, Parcel 62.

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## 11. Form Prepared By

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name/title	Kristin Hill, Historic Sites Surveyor		
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street and number	3430 Court House Drive	telephone	410-313-4335
city or town	Ellicott City	state	MD zip code 21043

The Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 supplement.

The survey and inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

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Crownsville MD 21032  
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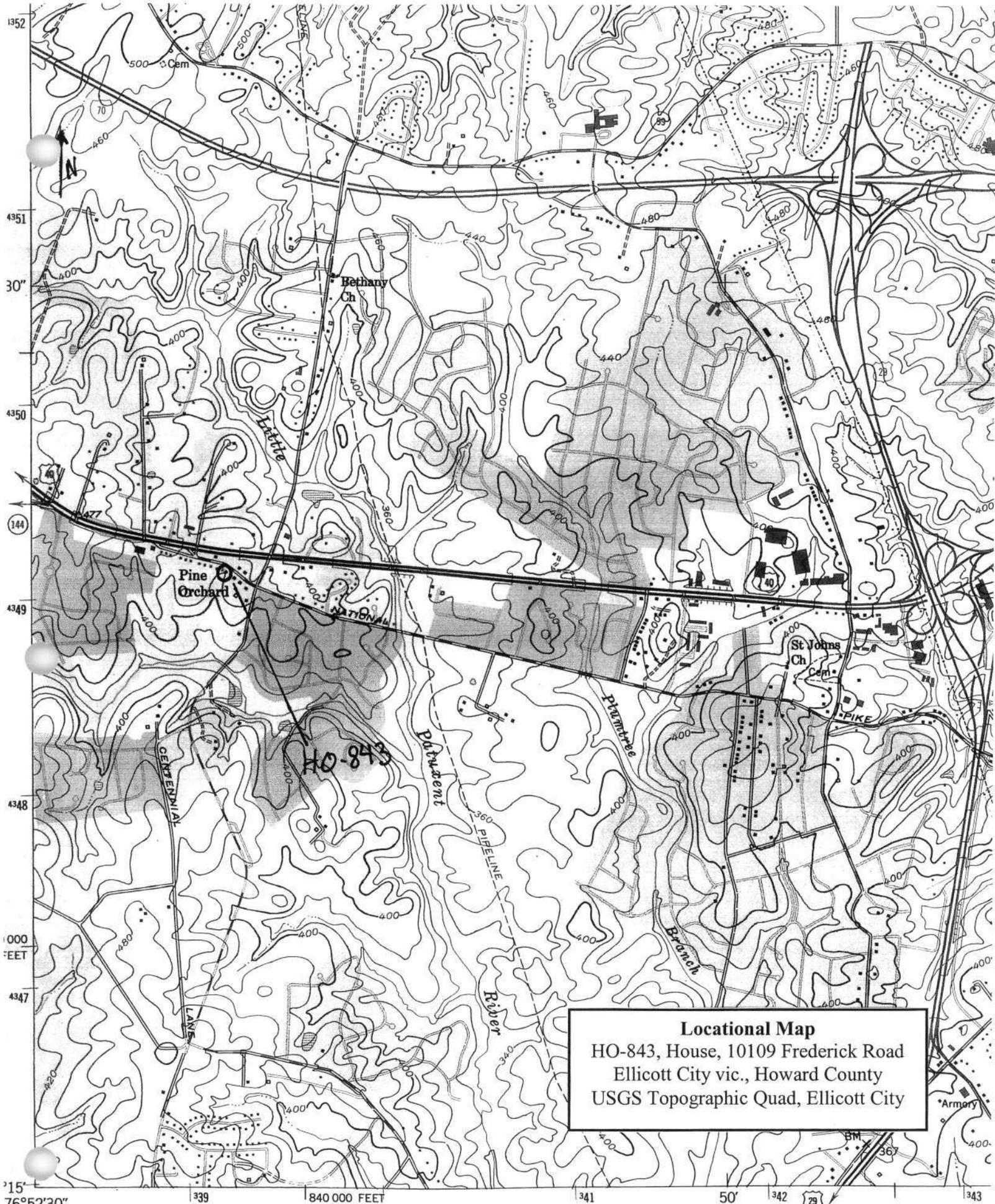
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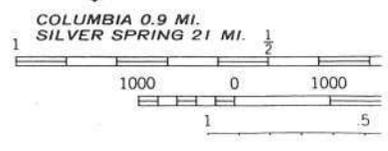
McAlester, Virginia and Lee. A Field Guide to American Houses. New York: Alfred A. Knopf, 2000.

History section of website dedicated to Route 40, [www.route40.net](http://www.route40.net).



**Locational Map**  
 HO-843, House, 10109 Frederick Road  
 Ellicott City vic., Howard County  
 USGS Topographic Quad, Ellicott City

Mapped by the Army Map Service  
 Edited and published by the Geological Survey  
 Control by USGS and USC&GS  
 Topography from aerial photographs by photogrammetric





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Howard County, Maryland

Kristin Hill, 3104

25 21+00 NNNNN 158

Negative at MDSHPD

Front (north) elevation

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23 21+80 NNNNN 158

Front (north) facade

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NE elevation

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NE elevation

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26 21+00 NNNNN 158



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24 21+01 NNNNE 158

Negative at MDSHPO

West elevation

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