



INDIVIDUAL PROPERTY/DISTRICT
MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST
INTERNAL NR-ELIGIBILITY REVIEW FORM

Property/District Name: Friendship, 28110 Ridge Rd Survey Number: M-10-1
Montgomery County

Project: MD 27 from MD 355 to JMD 80 Agency: SHA

Site visit by MHT Staff: no yes Name _____ Date _____

Eligibility recommended Eligibility not recommended

Criteria: A B C D Considerations: A B C D E F G None

Justification for decision: (Use continuation sheet if necessary and attach map)

This farmstead, dating from the late 18th C, is significant under Criteria C as a good example of an early family farm in upper Montgomery County. It has been owned and farmed by the same family since 1795. It includes a ^{timber framed} bank barn as well as a 2 story log(?) house.

Documentation on the property/district is presented in: INVENTORY FORM # M-10-1
and project file

Prepared by: Donald Leavitt & Michael Dewyer, Rita Siffness, SHA
Bothmann 8/30/91
Reviewer, Office of Preservation Services Date

NR program concurrence: yes no not applicable
R Andrews 30 Aug 91
Reviewer, NR program Date

Janet

MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE HISTORIC PRESERVATION PLAN DATA - HISTORIC CONTEXT

I. Geographic Region:

- Eastern Shore (all Eastern Shore counties, and Cecil)
- Western Shore (Anne Arundel, Calvert, Charles, Prince George's and St. Mary's)
- Piedmont (Baltimore City, Baltimore, Carroll, Frederick, Harford, Howard, Montgomery)
- Western Maryland (Allegany, Garrett and Washington)

II. Chronological/Developmental Periods:

- Paleo-Indian 10000-7500 B.C.
- Early Archaic 7500-6000 B.C.
- Middle Archaic 6000-4000 B.C.
- Late Archaic 4000-2000 B.C.
- Early Woodland 2000-500 B.C.
- Middle Woodland 500 B.C.-A.D.900
- Late Woodland/Archaic A.D. 900-1600
- Contact and Settlement A.D. 1570-1750
- Rural Agrarian Intensification A.D. 1680-1815
- Agricultural-Industrial Transition A.D. 1815-1870
- Industrial/Urban Dominance A.D. 1870-1930
- Modern Period A.D. 1930-Present
- Unknown Period (prehistoric historic)

III. Prehistoric Period Themes:

- Subsistence
- Settlement
- Political
- Demographic
- Religion
- Technology
- Environmental Adaption

IV. Historic Period Themes:

- Agriculture
- Architecture, Landscape Architecture, and Community Planning
- Economic (Commercial and Industrial)
- Government/Law
- Military
- Religion
- Social/Educational/Cultural
- Transportation

V. Resource Type:

Category: Buildings

Historic Environment: Rural

Historic Function(s) and Use(s): Farmstead

Known Design Source: _____

ACHS SUMMARY FORM

10-1
 (10/10/79)

1. Name: Friendship
2. Planning Area/Site Number: 10/1 3. M-NCPPC Atlas Reference: Map 2
 Coordinate L-11
4. Address: 28110 Ridge Road
 Damascus, Maryland
5. Classification Summary
 Category building Previous Survey Recording MNCPPC
 Ownership private Title and Date: Historic Sites Inventory
 Public Acquisition N/A 1976
 Status occupied
 Accessible no Federal State x County x Local
 Present use agriculture; private

6. Date: c. 1780 residence
 7. Original Owner: James Norwood

8. Apparent Condition
 a. good b. altered c. original site

9. Description: The house is a two-story, L-shaped structure of log construction, sheathed with shiplap siding. The main (east) facade is four bays, the two center ones being doorways with three-light transoms. The rear wing is two bays with a shed-roofed meat house attached. A shed roofed porch runs across the main facade and around the south side of the rear wing. The house sits on a stone foundation.

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10. Significance: Friendship was built in the late 18th century. It has been in the family of the present owner since 1795.

In 1761 James Norwood bought 300 acres of the tract, Friendship. He apparently settled on the land as, in 1783, he was assessed for a frame house, log kitchen and barn. In 1795 Nehemiah Moxley bought the place from Norwood's sons and married Norwood's daughter, Elizabeth.

According to family legend, Nehemiah Moxley was part of an Annapolis group that late in the year 1774 set fire to a British ship laden with tea to protest the despised tea tax. Moxley was forced to flee Annapolis for the safety of the Catoctin Mountains.

The farm was passed down from one generation to the next. The current owner is the great-great-great grandson of Nehemiah Moxley.

11. Researcher and date researched: Donald M. Leavitt Mike Dwyer - Arch. Description July 1979
12. Compiler: Margaret Coleman 13. Date Compiled: Sept. 1979 14. Designation Approval
15. Acreage: 88.99 acres

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

Friendship

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

28110 Ridge Road

CITY, TOWN

Damascus

— VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

8

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Montgomery

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESENT USE
<input type="checkbox"/> DISTRICT	<input type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OCCUPIED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BUILDING(S)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE	<input type="checkbox"/> UNOCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSEUM
<input type="checkbox"/> STRUCTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> BOTH	<input type="checkbox"/> WORK IN PROGRESS	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCIAL
<input type="checkbox"/> SITE	PUBLIC ACQUISITION	ACCESSIBLE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATIONAL
<input type="checkbox"/> OBJECT	<input type="checkbox"/> IN PROCESS	<input type="checkbox"/> YES RESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> ENTERTAINMENT
	<input type="checkbox"/> BEING CONSIDERED	<input type="checkbox"/> YES UNRESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> GOVERNMENT
		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRIAL
			<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY
			<input type="checkbox"/> PARK
			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE RESIDENCE
			<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGIOUS
			<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENTIFIC
			<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
			<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

Floyd Moxley

Telephone #: 253-4296

STREET & NUMBER

28110 Ridge Road

CITY, TOWN

Damascus

— VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

Maryland 20750

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Montgomery County Courthouse

Liber #: 4627

Folio #: 155

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

Rockville

STATE

Maryland

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

MNCPPC Inventory of Historical Sites

DATE

1976

—FEDERAL STATE COUNTY —LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

Park Historian's Office

CITY, TOWN

Derwood

STATE

Maryland 20855

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED DATE _____
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

 DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

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CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

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 type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		Local History

SPECIFIC DATES

c. 1780

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Friendship is a late 18th century farm house with later additions, and has been in the Moxley family since 1795.

In the years before 1761, much of the land in this upper section of Montgomery County was owned by Henry Ridgely and was part of a tract called "Friendship". In 1761 he conveyed 300 acres of this land to Richard Reynolds, who in turn sold it to James Norwood. However, in 1789 Henry Ridgely "discovered a great mistake in the original deed which if not rectified would militate much to the prejudices of the said James Norwood".¹ Ridgely provided a new deed for Norwood to clarify the issue. The house had been constructed before that time as James Norwood was assessed in 1783 for a "frame dwelling house, log kitchen, and barn."

In 1795 Norwood's sons sold Friendship to Nehemiah Moxley.² According to family legend, Moxley was part of an Annapolis group that late in the year 1774 set fire to a British ship laden with tea to protest the despised tea tax. Moxley was forced to flee Annapolis for the safety of the Catoctin Mountains. In 1795 he came to upper Montgomery County, and bought the land from Norwood's sons, and married Norwood's daughter Elizabeth. After these adventures, he settled down to lead the life of a simple farmer.

Since Nehemiah's day the Friendship farm has remained in the Moxley family. The farm was passed down to Nehemiah's son William³ and then on to his son, and so on down the line.

Friendship is still farmed, and the current operator is the great-great-great grandson of Nehemiah Moxley.

FOOTNOTES:

¹ Land Records of Montgomery County, Md. D/253 (6/9/1789).

² Ibid., F-6/257 (1/19/1795).

³ Ibid., BS 1/521 (1/15/1828).

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Farquhar, Rgoer Brooke. Old Homes and History of Montgomery County, Md.
 Washington, D.C.: Judd and Detweiler, 1962.
 Maps: Martinet and Bond (1865)
 G.M. Hopkins Atlas (1879).

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 88.99 acres

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

Located on the SW side of Kemptown Road, next to the intersection with Route 27.

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE	COUNTY
STATE	COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Donald M. Leavitt

Mike Dwyer - Arch. Description

ORGANIZATION

Sugarloaf Regional Trails

DATE

July 1979

STREET & NUMBER

Box 87

TELEPHONE

926-4510

CITY OR TOWN

Dickerson

STATE

Maryland 20753

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory 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.

RETURN TO: Maryland Historical Trust
 The Shaw House, 21 State Circle
 Annapolis, Maryland 21401
 (301) 267-1438

NOMINATION FORM
for the
NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES, NATIONAL PARKS SERVICE

SEE INSTRUCTIONS

1. NAME				
COMMON:				
AND/OR HISTORIC: Friendship				
2. LOCATION				
STREET AND NUMBER: 28110 Kemptown Road				
CITY OR TOWN: Damascus				
STATE: Maryland		COUNTY: Montgomery		
3. CLASSIFICATION				
CATEGORY (Check One)		OWNERSHIP		STATUS
<input type="checkbox"/> District <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Building <input type="checkbox"/> Site <input type="checkbox"/> Structure <input type="checkbox"/> Object		<input type="checkbox"/> Public <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> Both		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Occupied <input type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress
		Public Acquisition: <input type="checkbox"/> In Process <input type="checkbox"/> Being Considered		ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC Yes: <input type="checkbox"/> Restricted <input type="checkbox"/> Unrestricted <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Agricultural <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial <input type="checkbox"/> Educational <input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment		<input type="checkbox"/> Government <input type="checkbox"/> Industrial <input type="checkbox"/> Military <input type="checkbox"/> Museum		<input type="checkbox"/> Park <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private Residence <input type="checkbox"/> Religious <input type="checkbox"/> Scientific
		<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) _____		<input type="checkbox"/> Comments _____
4. OWNER OF PROPERTY				
OWNER'S NAME: Meloy Moxley				
STREET AND NUMBER: 28110 Kemptown Road				
CITY OR TOWN: Damascus			STATE: Maryland	
5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION				
COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.: Montgomery County Courthouse				
STREET AND NUMBER:				
CITY OR TOWN: Rockville			STATE: Maryland	
Title Reference of Current Deed (Book & Pg. #):				
6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS				
TITLE OF SURVEY: Historic Sites in the Bi-County Region				
DATE OF SURVEY: <input type="checkbox"/> Federal <input type="checkbox"/> State <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> County <input type="checkbox"/> Local				
DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS: Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission				
STREET AND NUMBER: 8787 Georgia Avenue				
CITY OR TOWN: Silver Spring			STATE: Maryland	

7. DESCRIPTION

CONDITION	(Check One)				
	<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Good	<input type="checkbox"/> Fair	<input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> Ruins
	(Check One)		(Check One)		
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Altered	<input type="checkbox"/> Unaltered	<input type="checkbox"/> Moved	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Original Site	

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F. SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

Pre-Columbian 16th Century 18th Century 20th Century
 15th Century 17th Century 19th Century

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known)

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

<input type="checkbox"/> Aboriginal	<input type="checkbox"/> Education	<input type="checkbox"/> Political	<input type="checkbox"/> Urban Planning
<input type="checkbox"/> Prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> Engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> Religion/Phi-	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify)
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<input type="checkbox"/> Art	Architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> Social/Human-	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> Literature	itorian	_____
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<input type="checkbox"/> Conservation	<input type="checkbox"/> Music	<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation	_____

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

SEE INSTRUCTIONS

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10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

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CORNER	LATITUDE	LONGITUDE		LATITUDE	LONGITUDE	
	Degrees Minutes Seconds	Degrees Minutes Seconds		Degrees Minutes Seconds	Degrees Minutes Seconds	
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APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY:

Acreage Justification:

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LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE:		COUNTY:	

11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE:
Christopher Owens, Park Historian

ORGANIZATION: MNCPPC DATE: 10/25/73

STREET AND NUMBER:
8787 Georgia Avenue

CITY OR TOWN: Silver Spring STATE: Maryland

12. State Liaison Officer Review: (Office Use Only)

Significance of this property is:

National State Local

Signature _____

SEE INSTRUCTIONS

F. K. M. & R. J. Moxley
4627 / 155
677 / 262
/ 265
752 / 394

88.99 Ac.
P 200

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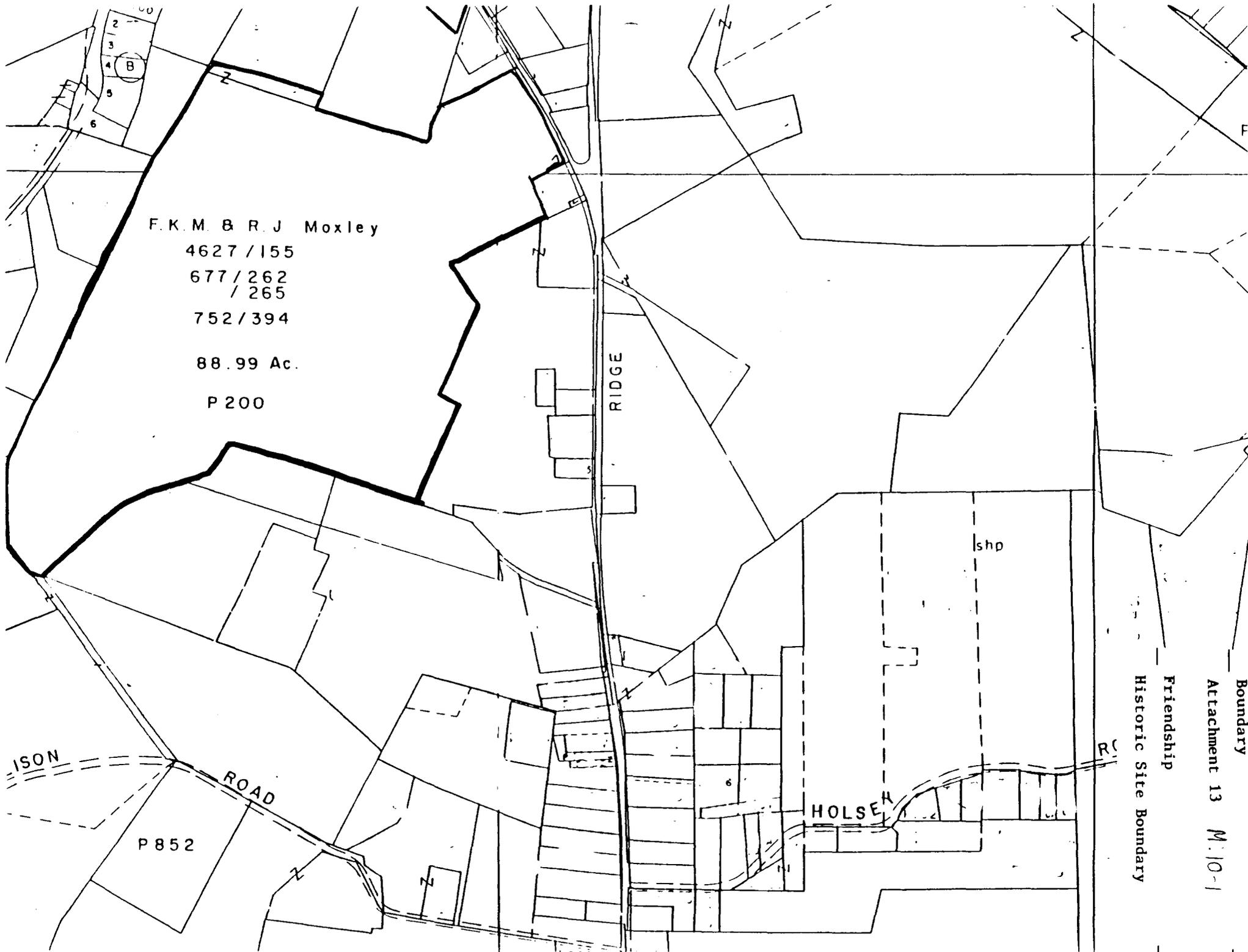
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Boundary
Attachment 13 M:10-1
Friendship
Historic Site Boundary





#10-1

NAME FRIENDSHIP (MOXLEY) HOUSE

LOCATION Rt. 27 (28110 RIDGE Rd.) CLAGETTSVILLE, Md.

FACADE N.

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NAME FRIENDSHIP (MOKLEY HOUSE)

LOCATION Rt. 27 (28110 RIDGE Rd.) CLAGETTSVILLE, Md

FACADE E.

PHOTO TAKEN 10/25/73 M. DWYER



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NAME FRIENDSHIP (MOXLEY HOUSE) - BANK BARN

LOCATION Rt. 27 (28110 RIDGE Rd) CLAGETTSVILLE, Md

FACADE S.E.

PHOTO TAKEN 10/25/73 M. DWYER



NAME LOG TOBACCO HOUSE - OLD GEO. MOXLEY FARM

LOCATION W. SIDE RT 27 AT CLAGGETTSVILLE (DAMASCUS,) Md

FACADE NW

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