

Thomas Moore House
M:23-120
Montgomery County, Maryland

The Thomas Moore House, built in 1885, is an elegant country villa of the Victorian era, characterized by its asymmetrical massing, complex roofline, and its Victorian decorative detailing on both the exterior and interior. The property is located on the east side of Dr. Bird Road, directly across from Norwood Road. The T-shaped House sits back from the road, down a long drive and includes a complex of both contributing and non-contributing buildings to its rear.

The Thomas Moore House was built by Thomas Moore, who was given the tract of land by his father, upon his marriage in 1885. The Moore family were area farmers, Quakers and active members of the Sandy Spring community. The Thomas Moore House meets Criterion C of the Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties and the National Register of Historic Places.

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DETERMINATION OF ELIGIBILITY FORM**

NR Eligible: yes no

Property Name: Thomas Moore House Inventory Number: M:23-120
 Address: 17214 Doctor Bird Road Historic district: yes no
 City: Sandy Spring Zip Code: 20860 County: Montgomery
 USGS Quadrangle(s): Sandy Spring
 Property Owner: Michelle Bernstein Tax Account ID Number: 08-03426514
 Tax Map Parcel Number(s): n/a Tax Map Number: JT121
 Project: MD 182 at Norwood Road Agency: Maryland State Highway Administration
 Agency Prepared By: Maryland State Highway Administration
 Preparer's Name: Melissa Blair, Eric Dunton, and Stacey Streett Date Prepared: 11/03/2008
 Documentation is presented in: MIHP form M:23-120

Preparer's Eligibility Recommendation: Eligibility recommended Eligibility not recommended
 Criteria: A B C D Considerations: A B C D E F G

Complete if the property is a contributing or non-contributing resource to a NR district/property:

Name of the District/Property: _____
 Inventory Number: _____ Eligible: yes Listed: yes

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

Description of Property and Justification: *(Please attach map and photo)*

Constructed in 1885, the Thomas Moore House is a frame dwelling located on the west side of Doctor Bird Road in the vicinity of Sandy Spring in Montgomery County. A long gravel lane leads to the residence and its associated outbuildings, which are located north of the residence. The property was recently subdivided from a former 19.14-acre parcel and now contains just over two acres of land. The dwelling's façade is sited to the south. The asymmetrical building footprint, cross gable roof capped with jerkin-heads, multiple bay window projections, decorative porches, and architectural embellishments are characteristic features of this Victorian-era residence.

The main block of the house has a side-facing, T-shaped plan that is two-and-one-half stories in height, four bays wide, and three bays deep. A succession of a gabled, two-story addition and a one-story gabled addition extends from the west end of the north elevation. The one-story addition contains a wood-frame door and large windows with board-and-batten shutters.

A stone foundation supports the dwelling, which contains a datestone on the south elevation that reads, "T.L. Moore 1885." Brick foundations support the porches and bay-window projections. The building is sided in clapboard, and the main roof, which has wide, boxed eaves, is sheathed in asphalt shingles. Three brick chimneys punctuate the roof slopes, and twin, segmental-arched

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 Reviewer, Office of Preservation Services

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 Reviewer, National Register Program

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dormers are located on the north and south roof slopes.

The west half of the façade (south elevation) features a front-gable projection capped by a jerkin-head roof. The projection contains a two-story, three-sided bay window and a paired attic window. The south elevation also features a one-story, wrap-around porch topped by a hipped roof sheathed in standing-seam metal. The porch-roof rafters are exposed and add architectural interest to the cornice around the porch. A porte-cochere is adjacent to the east side of the wrap-around porch. It is capped by a steeply-pitched, concave, pyramidal roof covered in sheet metal and crowned by a finial.

The porch and porte-cochere are supported by chamfered wood posts with incised detailing and are flanked by jigsaw eave brackets, which also contain incised detailing; the posts of the porte-cochere sit atop tapered, concrete piers. A balustrade of square, wood balusters encircles the porch. The main entry is located under the porch adjacent to the front gable projection. It is comprised of wood-paneled, double doors set behind glazed, wood-frame, double storm doors. The entry is flanked by sidelights and is topped by a three-light transom.

Windows throughout the dwelling are hung singly and in pairs in a symmetrical arrangement and flanked by operable, louvered, wood shutters. Sash configurations include two-over-two, double-hung windows and one-over-one, double-hung replacements. Multi-pane, double-hung windows light the first-story, five-sided, bay window on the south bay of the west elevation, which is a modern addition. Replacements are hung in the gables and on the two-story bay windows located on the façade and central bay of the west elevation.

The interior, although not accessed as part of this survey, is described in the 1993 survey of the property (MIHP M: 23-120).

The property contains several outbuildings. These structures include a frame tenant house with attached two-bay garage that is two stories and three bays wide. The tenant house sits atop a stone foundation and is capped with a side-gable, asphalt-shingled roof. A smokehouse constructed contemporaneously with the main house is located to the southwest. It is a one-bay, front-gable brick structure. The entry door is located on the north elevation and is comprised of a paneled, wood door with arched panels on the upper half. To the east of the main house is a shed-roof equipment shed. A board-and-batten sided horse stable is behind the main house. Finally, two small frame sheds are also located on the property.

History

The village of Sandy Spring began in the mid eighteenth-century as a Quaker agricultural community. The area was part of the "Snowden's Manor Enlarged" patented by Richard Snowden, a Quaker land developer and operator of the Patuxent Iron Works.

In 1832, Issac Scott purchased a tract of land from Philip Thomas, founder of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad, for the sum of two thousand, six hundred and thirty dollars (Liber BSS, Folio 94; Brugger, 203). Scott's property included Norwood, the home built by Richard Thomas, another prominent Sandy Spring Quaker, in the latter half of the eighteenth century (MIHP M:28-13). Scott subdivided the property, giving a 151.8 acre lot to his son Oliver. After a series of owners, the land passed to Thomas L. Moore as a wedding gift from his father, Joseph (Liber JA 23, Folio 76).

According to an etched foundation stone, Thomas Moore built the house in 1885. In 1890, Moore sold the house, then called Rutledge, to Frederick W. Elbrey of Alexandria, Virginia. Captain Elbrey was an assistant army surgeon who had served at Fort Union, New Mexico. Army records reveal that Elbrey was in a coma for an unspecified time after striking his head on stone steps at Fort Union (Medical History, Fort Union). Elbrey died soon after he bought the property. Elbrey's wife, Elsey, married Herbert Stabler, a member of an established Sandy Spring family, and lived in the home until 1941. Herbert and Elsey also owned the

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"Sandy Spring," the water bubbling through a patch of sand that lent its name to the area (The Sandy Spring Plaque).

The property changed hands a number of times during the twentieth century until passing to its present owners. A chain of title is included in the Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties form completed for the property in 1993.

The Thomas Moore House is eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places. The property is not associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history (Criterion A). The house is not known to be significant for associations with the lives of persons significant in our past (Criterion B). While the house was occupied by prominent members of the Sandy Spring community, the property does not illustrate any individual's specific accomplishments. The Thomas Moore House embodies the distinctive characteristics of a Victorian-era country estate, and is eligible under Criterion C for architecture. The house is characterized by its Victorian massing and detailing, including projecting bays, dormer windows, wrap-around porch, two-over-two windows, and scroll-sawn porch detailing. It has been subjected to few alterations during the twentieth century, including several replacement windows; the installation of storm doors and windows; and a polygonal bay addition on the west elevation of the dwelling. The Thomas Moore House was not evaluated under Criterion D.

The Thomas Moore House retains integrity of location, design, materials, and workmanship. While the setting of the original estate has been compromised by recent subdivision, the setting of the current 2.2 acre property retains integrity, and is characterized by large trees, a curvilinear driveway, and several outbuildings. The property retains the feeling of a late nineteenth-century rural estate and its association with Victorian-era domestic architecture.

The property's period of significance is 1885. The historic boundary encompasses lot 19 of subdivision 501 on Montgomery County tax map JT121, a total of approximately 2.2 acres. The house was part of a much larger property until recent years, however the surrounding tax parcels contain a modern subdivision and were not included in the boundary.

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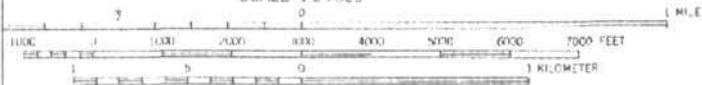
"The Sandy Spring Plaque," available online at: <http://www.sandyspringgreenspace.org/portfolio/plaque.htm>

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QUADRANG LOCATION

ROAD CLASSIFICATION

HARD-SURFACE ALL WEATHER ROADS	DRY WEATHER ROADS
Heavy duty	Improved dirt
Medium duty	Unimproved dirt
Loose-surface, graded, or narrow hard-surface	
U. S. Route	State Route

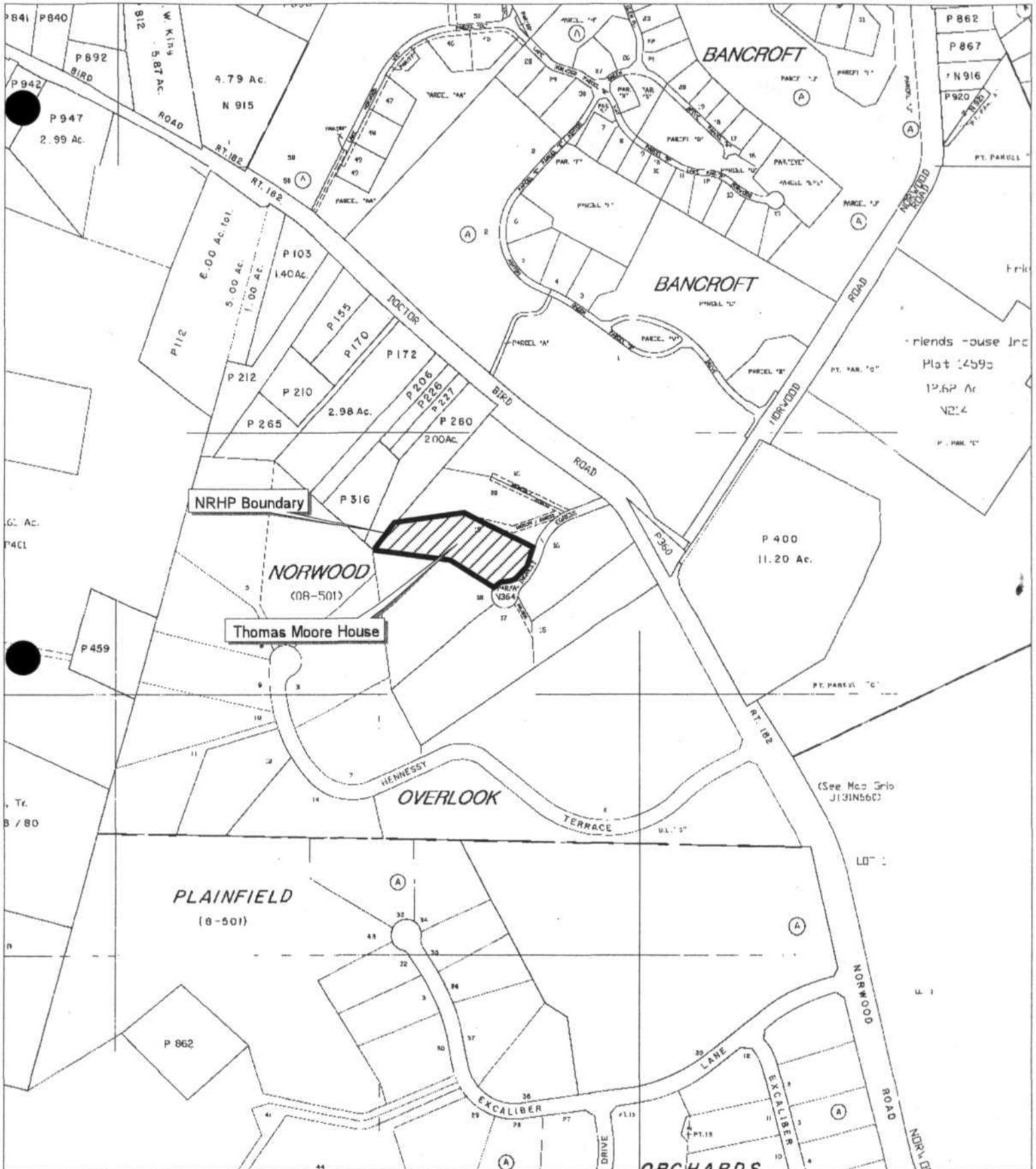
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 Tax Map JT121, Parcel N364, Lot 19
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South elevation and front lawn, View NW

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South Elevation, View N

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South Elevation, Front Entrance

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South Elevation, Date Stone

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East Elevation, port-cochere

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East and North Elevations, View SW

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North Elevation Addition, View W

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West Elevation, View E

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Sath Elevation, View W towards modern development

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Brick Outbuilding, View W

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Garage, View North

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1. Name of Property

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historic name Thomas Moore House

common/other name Miraval; Rutledge

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2. Location

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street & number 17214 Dr. Bird Rd Not for publication

city or town Sandy Spring vicinity state Maryland code MD

county Montgomery code _____ zip code 20860

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3. State/Federal Agency Certification N/A

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4. National Park Service Certification N/A

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5. Classification

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Ownership of Property (Check all that apply)

- private
- public-local
- public-State
- public-Federal

Category of Property (Check only one box)

- building(s)
- district
- site
- structure
- object

Number of Resources within Property

Contributing		Noncontributing		
<u>5</u>	<u>2</u>			buildings
<u> </u>	<u> </u>			sites
<u> </u>	<u> </u>			structures
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<u>5</u>	<u>2</u>			Total

Is this property listed in the National Register?

Yes Name of Listing _____ No

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6. Function or Use

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Historic Functions (Enter categories from instructions)

Cat: Domestic Sub: Single Dwelling; smokehouse
Subsistence/Agriculture Barn; sheds

Current Functions (Enter categories from instructions)

Cat: Domestic Sub: Single Dwelling

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7. Description

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Architectural Classification (Enter categories from instructions)

Victorian

Materials (Enter categories from instructions)

foundation Stone
roof Cross gable with jerkin head ends; asphalt shingles
walls Wood: German siding
other _____

Narrative Description (Describe the historic and current condition of the property.)

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8. Statement of Significance
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Applicable National Register Criteria (Mark "x" in one or more boxes for the criteria qualifying the property for National Register listing)

- A Property is associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history.
- B Property is associated with the lives of persons significant in our past.
- C Property embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction or represents the work of a master, or possesses high artistic values, or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components lack individual distinction.
- D Property has yielded, or is likely to yield information important in prehistory or history.

Criteria Considerations (Mark "X" in all the boxes that apply.)

- A owned by a religious institution or used for religious purposes.
- B removed from its original location.
- C a birthplace or a grave.
- D a cemetery.
- E a reconstructed building, object, or structure.
- F a commemorative property.
- G less than 50 years of age or achieved significance within the past 50 years.

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Areas of Significance (Enter categories from instructions)

Architecture

Period of Significance 1885

Significant Dates 1885

Significant Person (Complete if Criterion B is marked above)

Cultural Affiliation _____

Architect/Builder _____

Narrative Statement of Significance (Explain the significance of the property.)

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9. Major Bibliographical References

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(Cite the books, articles, legal records, and other sources used in preparing this form.)

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Hopkins, G.M., *Atlas of Fifteen Miles around Washington, including the County of Montgomery, Maryland*, 1879.

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10. Geographical Data
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Acreage of Property approximately 19 acres

Verbal Boundary Description (Describe the boundaries of the property.)

The Thomas R. Moore House occupies Parcel 390 on Montgomery County Tax Map JT 121.

Boundary Justification (Explain why the boundaries were selected.)

This parcel is part of a larger tract of land which has been associated with the property since before the construction of the house in 1885.

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11. Form Prepared By
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name/title Kimberly Williams/Michele Naru, Architectural Historians
organization M-NCPPC date July 26, 1999
street & number 8787 Georgia Avenue telephone 301/563-3403
city or town Silver Spring state MD zip code 20910
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12. Property Owner
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name James L. and M.E. Hooper
street & number 17214 Dr. Bird Road telephone _____
city or town Sandy Spring state MD zip code 20860
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ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION:

The Thomas Moore house, built in 1885, is a large Victorian frame dwelling having a T-shaped footprint and a complex roofline. It is a frame structure, set upon a stone foundation and covered with a cross gable roof with jerkin-head ends and brick chimney stacks with corbelled caps. The house is characterized by its Victorian massing and detailing, including projecting bays, dormer windows, a wrap-around porch, long and narrow, 2/2 windows, and scroll-sawn porch detailing.

Exterior:

The east elevation facing Dr. Bird Road is the principal facade formed by the intersection of the two wings forming the cross gable massing, and connected by a wrap-around porch. The north-south wing is three bays long with a side entry towards the inside bay, while the east-west, cross wing has a three-sided projecting window bay on its gable end wall. The wrap-around porch, with its chamfered wood porch posts with incised detailing and knee brackets, extends across the east elevation of the north-south wing, and around its north end.

The side entry has double doors with raised panels, and a three-light transom. The typical window opening in the main wing holds 2/2 sash, while those in the projecting bay and in the bay above the side entry have 1/1 sash.

The north elevation is two bays wide, defined by 2/2 windows in the first and second stories. Paired windows are located in the gable end, under the jerkin head overhang. The porch, which wraps around to this end wall, has a drive-through gazebo projecting from it. This gazebo has a pyramidal roof, supported by chamfered wood posts, and appears to have been more whimsical than practical.

The south elevation is divided into five long bays and could be read as the principal elevation of the house, save for the lack of entry. It is symmetrically fenestrated with a two-story, three-sided projecting bay on center, protected by a projecting cross-gable, jerkin head roof, and single, 2/2 windows in the flanking "wings." A one-story solarium bay, set upon a brick foundation, is a contemporary addition. A brick chimney stack projects from the

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east end of the roof's front slope.

Interior:

The interior of the Thomas Moore House retains a high degree of integrity and exquisite Victorian-era details. It is divided into four rooms in the two principal wings of the house. The north-south wing contains a side-passage/stair hall and parlor, while the east-west wing is divided into three rooms, including the formal parlor and dining room, as well as the service area containing the kitchen, back stairs and pantry.

The entry to the house leads directly into the stair hall. This hall is a wide room with a high Victorian, straight-flight, open-stringer stair located against the north side wall. The stair features a robust, and elaborately turned newel post, turned and tapered balusters, and scroll-sawn stringer ornament. Across from the stair and located against the south wall of the hall is a fireplace with a wood-burning stove and a heavy Victorian marbleized slate mantel. The floor features its original 2"-wide wood flooring, while the doors, all of which are five-paneled, retain their original, unpainted bulls eye corner block surrounds with narrow reeding and ogee-edged bases.

The parlor located to the north of the hall is a large room which extends the full depth of the north-south wing and looks onto the wrap-around porch on two of its three exposed sides. The room features a wood mantel on center of its south wall, and two windows, opposite, looking onto the north end of the wrap-around porch and drive-thru gazebo. The mantel in this room has fluted side pilasters, a decorated frieze board, and large wood moldings supporting the mantel shelf with a decorative bargboard detailing. The frieze board has fluting and a central panel with raised, square pieces, forming a sort of checkerboard pattern. The doors and windows in this room all have bulls-eye corner blocks and reeded stiles.

The parlor in the east-west wing of the house occupies the east end of this wing, including the projecting bay, giving the room additional square footage and light. The room has a wood burning stove and fireplace centered against its south wall, next to the sun room addition, and double pocket doors on the west wall opening onto the dining room. The mantel is a heavy, Victorian mantel similar to that in the front hall. It is slate, but with a marbleized finish, and features incised, geometric and floral detailing on its pilasters, frieze and end brackets. Like the other rooms, the doors and windows have bulls eye corner blocks. An elegant plaster egg and dart crown molding completes the room.

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The dining room is entered through double-wide pocket doors from the parlor, or through a single door opening at the end of the hall in the north-south wing. The room features a wide, three-sided window bay in the south side of the room and fireplace opposite it on center of the north wall. This fireplace features a built-in Rumford stove and a heavy Victorian mantel with a marbleized finish and incised detailing. Next to the fireplace is a built-in china closet. Two doors, symmetrical placed on the west wall of the dining room leads into the service area and kitchen.

The second floor of the house offers a similar configuration of space and equally intact detailing. The elaborate stair continues uninterrupted to the third (or half) story, and the mantels, although wood rather than slate, are decorated with ornamental, incised detailing.

AGRICULTURAL AND DOMESTIC BUILDINGS:

Several agricultural and domestic buildings are located behind the house and are contributing resources. These include a smokehouse, a tenant house and attached garage, a shed roof equipment shed, and a board and batten stable. Two non-contributing structures are also on the property, including an A-frame garden shed and a small frame shed.

Smokehouse: The smokehouse is located immediately behind the house to the southwest and dates to the original 1885 period of construction. It is a small brick structure with a gable roof and a single door opening in its north end. The door is paneled with a round-arched upper panel.

Tenant House and attached garage: The tenant house is a two-story, three-bay frame building covered with a gable roof and set upon a rubble stone foundation. The walls are clad with weatherboard and are fenestrated with 6/6 windows. This building may have originally been a carriage house, but has been altered as a tenant house. A two-car garage connects this building to another two-story frame structure with a garage on the first story.

Equipment Shed: A frame, shed roof equipment shed is located to the east of the house.

Stable: The stable (20th century) sits upon a concrete foundation, has board and batten walls and is covered with a gable roof. There appear to be three horse stalls in the building, though no interior inspection was conducted.

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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Thomas Moore House was built in 1885 by Thomas L. Moore on a tract of land deeded to him by his father, Thomas L. Moore, on the occasion of his marriage. The Thomas L. Moore House is an elegantly designed Victorian villa that enjoys a commanding view of the still rural landscape. The house retains exquisite interior detailing and has a high degree of integrity. The Thomas Moore House meets Criterion C of the Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties and of the National Register of Historic Places.

Historic Context:

The Thomas Moore House was built in 1885 on property which was originally part of Snowden's Manor Enlarged. In 1832, Isaac Scott, a Quaker, purchased a 475-3/4-acre tract of the land, as well as part of the Addition to Charley Forrest, and by 1847, had built a brick house on the site, which he dubbed Miraval.¹ At Isaac Scott's death, Mirival was divided into three lots and bequeathed to his three children (Scott's will was probated in 1851). Isaac Scott's son, Oliver Scott inherited Lot #2, where "brick dwelling stands." In 1863, Oliver Scott sold the house and 146.5 acres to Jacob Weller. In 1865, Scott sold Weller an additional 5.3 acres, giving Weller a total of 151.8 acres of land. Two years later, Weller sold the 151.8-acre tract to Joseph T. Moore (born 1839 in Baltimore). Joseph T. Moore was a farmer who was an active member of the Sandy Spring Farmers' Club, and who served as the first president of the Maryland State Grange from 1874 to 1879.

The 1879 G.M. Hopkins Atlas of Montgomery County shows Joseph T. Moore as the owner of the land. A list of patrons in the atlas lists Moore as a farmer with 270 acres of land. In April 1885, Moore conveyed 17-1/4 acres of his land to his son, Thomas L. Moore. The deed recording this transaction informs us, "Whereas our eldest son Thomas L. Moore will shortly be married, we convey the tract designated part of Snowden's Manor Enlarged, located on the south side of Bladensburg Road, containing 17-1/4 acres to him."

According to a date stone on the house, Thomas L. Moore built the house in 1885. The new house and surrounding land was then called Rutledge. Shortly after building the house, Thomas L. Moore and his wife Dora sold it, in 1890, to a retired army surgeon named

¹ When Isaac Scott made his will in 1847, a brick house stood on the property.

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Frederick W. Elbrey. After moving into the place in April 1891, Elbrey re-dubbed the property Mirival. In 1941, Elsie Elbrey Stabler, who was living in Atlanta, Georgia, sold her family's property to A.E. Anderson, from Washington, D.C.

During the second half of the 20th century, the property changed hands on several occasions. The current residents, James L. and M.E. Hooper, have owned the property since 1975. The property is now known as the Thomas Moore House, for its original builder and owner.

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HISTORIC CONTEXT:

Geographic Organization: Piedmont

Chronological/Development Period (s): Industrial/Urban Dominance

Prehistoric/Historic Period Theme (s): Architecture, Landscape
Architecture and Community Planning

RESOURCE TYPE(S)

Category: Standing Structure

Historic Environment: Rural

Historic Function (s): Single Dwelling

Known Design Source:

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county and state

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Chain of Title:

November, 1867 Jacob Weller sold a 17.25 acres parcel to Joseph T. Moore. This is part of the 151 acre land patent "Snowden Manor Enlarged." (Deed Book EBP 4 Folio 285)

1885 Mirival House built on site by Joseph T. Moore. (From date stone in foundation)

April, 1885 Joseph T. Moore deeded the house to his son, Thomas L. Moore for 7,000 on the occasion of his impending marriage. (Deed Book EBP 33 Folio 330)

November, 1890 Thomas L. Moore to Frederich W. and Elsie Elbrey. (Deed Book JA 23 Folio 76)

 Frederich W. Elbrey Died.

 Elise Elbrey married Herbert Stabler.

August, 1941 Elsie Elbrey and Herbert Stabler to Arvid and Thelma Anderson. (Deed Book 843 Folio 31)

March, 1956 Arvid and Thelma Anderson to Ludwig and Fannie Caminita. 17.25 acres. (Deed Book 2183 Folio 586)

October, 1960 Ludwig and Fannie Caminita sell 5.069 acres (Parcel #1) to Otto A. Will, Jr. and Gwen T. Will. (Deed Book 2786 Folio 145)

March, 1966 Fannie E. Caminita, divorced and unmarried sells to her son, Ludwig Caminita, Jr. 12.181 acres of land. (Parcel #2) (Deed Book 3482 Folio 242)

September, 1967 Otto A. Will, Jr. and Gwen T. Will sell Parcel #1 to James L. Hooper and Martha E. Hooper. (Deed Book 3661 Folio 222)

April, 1974 Ludwig Caminita, Jr sells Parcel #2 to James L. and Martha E. Hooper. (Deed Book 4521 Folio 739)

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April, 1975

James L. Hooper and Martha E. Hooper to
Same (Present owners). Parcels #1 and #2
together. 19.1478 acres. (Deed Book 4633
Folio 380)

THOMAS MOORE HOUSE (M: 23-120)



Casual User Application



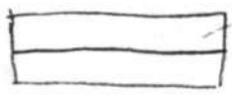
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THE MARYLAND-NATIONAL CAPITAL PARK AND PLANNING COMMISSION
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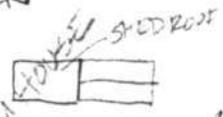
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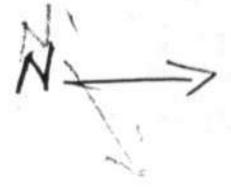


RED B/B
SIDED BARN
STABLE?



SM
HOUSE
SHED

2 CAR GARAGE

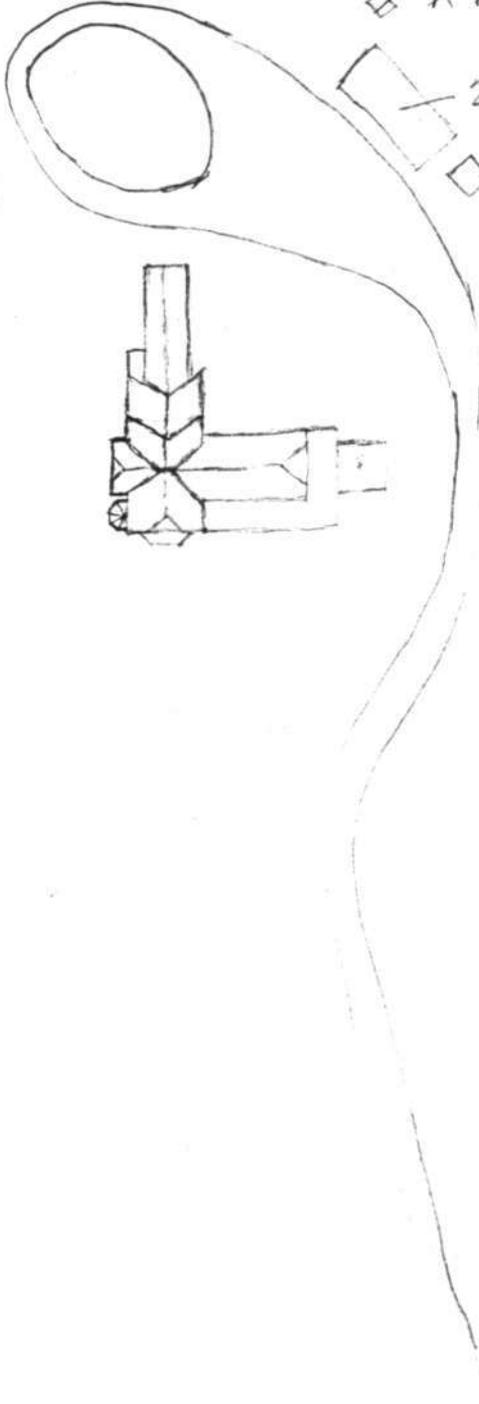


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BRICK BLDG



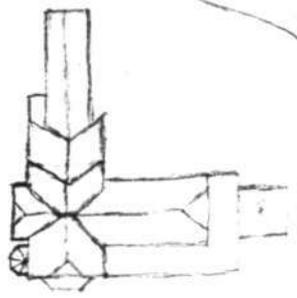
GARAGE W/ 2ND STORY

□ A HOUSE SHED



2 CAR GARAGE

□ SM SHED

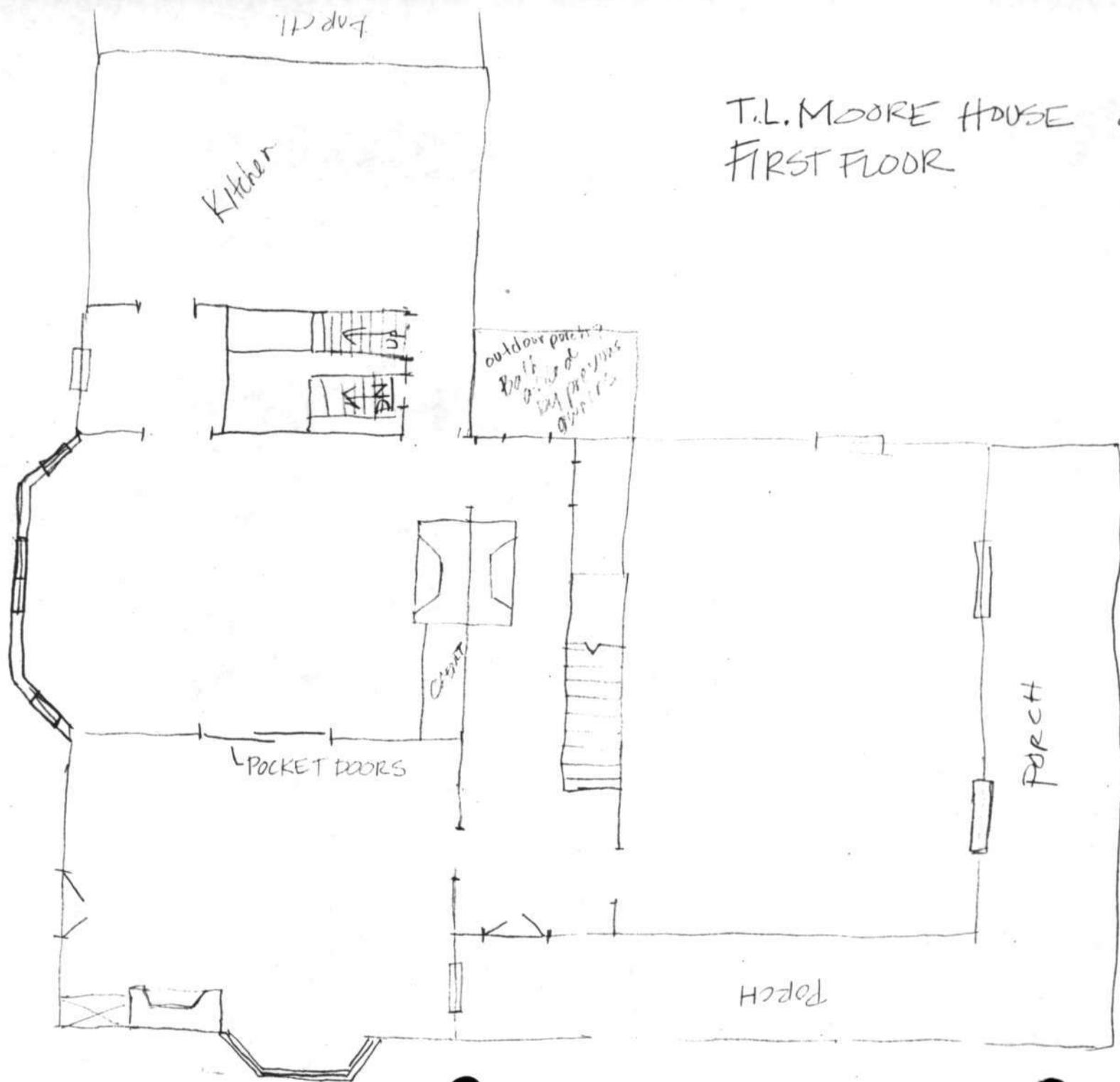


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T.J. MOORE

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T.L. MOORE HOUSE 23-120
FIRST FLOOR





Name: SANDY SPRING
 Date: 7/13/99
 Scale: 1 inch equals 2000 feet

Location: 039° 08' 53.3" N 077° 01' 33.7" W
 Caption: THOMAS MOORE HOUSE (M: 23-120)
 17214 Dr. Bird Rd.



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Montgomery County

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East Elevation

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MO SHPO

South and East Elevations

2/0



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Thomas Moore House

Montgomery County

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West elevation

3/9



55.4 52

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Thomas Moore House

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Kim Williams

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Interior, Stair Hall

4/09



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Thomas Moore House

Montgomery County

April 1997

Kim Williams

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Interior, mantel, SE Parlor

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Thomas Moore House

Montgomery County

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Kim Williams

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Interior, door at end of stair hall into
dining room

(6/0)



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Kim Williams

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Tenant House/garage

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Stable

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Montgomery County

April 1999

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Smokehouse

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MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST WORKSHEET

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

SEE INSTRUCTIONS

1. NAME				
COMMON:				
AND/OR HISTORIC: T.R. Moore House				
2. LOCATION				
STREET AND NUMBER: 17214 Dr. Bird Road				
CITY OR TOWN: Sandy Spring				
STATE: Maryland			COUNTY: Montgomery	
3. CLASSIFICATION				
CATEGORY (Check One)	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC	
<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	Public Acquisition: <input type="checkbox"/> In Process <input type="checkbox"/> Being Considered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Occupied <input type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress	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: Dr. James L. Hooper				
STREET AND NUMBER: 17214 Dr. Bird Road				
CITY OR TOWN: Sandy Spring			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:				
DATE OF SURVEY: <input type="checkbox"/> Federal <input type="checkbox"/> State <input type="checkbox"/> County <input type="checkbox"/> Local				
DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:				
STREET AND NUMBER:				
CITY OR TOWN:			STATE:	

7. DESCRIPTION	
CONDITION	(Check One)
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Excellent <input type="checkbox"/> Good <input type="checkbox"/> Fair <input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated <input type="checkbox"/> Ruins <input type="checkbox"/> Unexposed
	(Check One)
	<input type="checkbox"/> Altered <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unaltered <input type="checkbox"/> Moved <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Original Site
DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE	
<p>The house is basically an L-shaped house with some modifications. Built by the Moore family in 1885, it is a good example of an elegant country villa of the Victorian era. It is a narrow structure of two stories, sheathed in German siding. The main block faces north and contains 3 bays. Large chimney stacks with several decorative drip courses extend above the south ridge of this section. There are 2 round-headed dormer windows on both the north and south. The roof overhangs on the west and northeast sections and is "lopped off" to form a jerkin-head roof at these points. An open, one-story Victorian porch surrounds the west and north facades. Joined to this on the west is a drive-through gazebo.</p> <p>The east section of the house projects at the NE corner to form a two-story bay window-it extends to the rear where it drops in height to a shorter added section.</p>	

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B. SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

<input type="checkbox"/> Pre-Columbian	<input type="checkbox"/> 16th Century	<input type="checkbox"/> 18th Century	<input type="checkbox"/> 20th Century
<input type="checkbox"/> 15th Century	<input type="checkbox"/> 17th Century	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 19th Century	

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known) 1885

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)
<input type="checkbox"/> Historic	<input type="checkbox"/> Industry	osophy	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> Invention	<input type="checkbox"/> Science	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> Landscape	<input type="checkbox"/> Sculpture	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Art	Architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> Social/Human-	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> Literature	itarian	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Communications	<input type="checkbox"/> Military	<input type="checkbox"/> Theater	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Conservation	<input type="checkbox"/> Music	<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation	_____

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

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9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Empty box for Major Bibliographical References.

10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY			O R	LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING THE CENTER POINT OF A PROPERTY OF LESS THAN TEN ACRES		
CORNER	LATITUDE	LONGITUDE		LATITUDE	LONGITUDE	
	Degrees Minutes Seconds	Degrees Minutes Seconds		Degrees Minutes Seconds	Degrees Minutes Seconds	
NW	° ' "	° ' "		° ' "	° ' "	
NE	° ' "	° ' "		° ' "	° ' "	
SE	° ' "	° ' "		° ' "	° ' "	
SW	° ' "	° ' "		° ' "	° ' "	

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY:

Acreeage Justification:

Large empty box for Acreeage Justification.

11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE:
Michael F. Dwyer, Senior Park Historian

ORGANIZATION: M-NCPPC DATE: 8/12/75

STREET AND NUMBER:
8787 Georgia Ave.

CITY OR TOWN: Silver Spring STATE: Maryland

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

Significance of this property is:
 National State Local

Signature _____

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NAME # 23-120 T.L. MOORE HOUSE

LOCATION DR. BIRD + NORWOOD RDS. SANDY SPRING MD

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PHOTO TAKEN 8/12/75 MOWVER