CITY COUNCIL RESEARCH DIVISION LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY

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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2024-116

Introducer/Sponsor(s): Council President at the request of the Jacksonville Historic Preservation Commission

Date of Introduction: February 13, 2024

Committee(s) of Reference: LUZ

Date of Analysis: February 15, 2024

Type of Action: Designation of a residential building as a local landmark

Bill Summary: This bill designates the residential building located at 1015 Jessie Street in Council District 7 between A. Phillip Randolph Boulevard and Van Buren Street, owned by Fatima and Noriko Floyd, as a local landmark. It directs the Chief of Legislative Services to notify the applicant, the property owner, and the property appraiser of the local landmark designation, and it records the local landmark designation in the official zoning records of Duval County. It directs the Zoning Administrator to enter the local landmark designation on the Zoning Atlas.

Background Information: The property is associated with the first Black pediatrician in Jacksonville, Dr. Charles B. McIntosh, containing two buildings, a two-story concrete block structure constructed in 1958 that served as Dr. McIntosh's doctor's office and a one-story single-family masonry vernacular structure constructed in 1955. This bill designates the one-story single-family masonry vernacular structure as a landmark.

Dr. McIntosh received his M.D. from Meharry Medical College in 1958 and was the first Black pediatrician to open a private pediatric medical practice in Jacksonville in 1958. He used the two-story structure to conduct studies regarding sickle cell disease, was the first African American to sit on the Florida Board of Medical Examiners, started the Sickle Cell Disease Association of Northeast Florida in 1969, and spent seven decades providing quality healthcare to Jacksonville's underserved youth. His sickle cell research benefited the entire nation.

The property owner does not oppose the landmark designation, and the Jacksonville Historic Preservation Commission reviewed and recommended approval of the landmark designation on January 24, 2024.

Policy Impact Area: Historic Preservation

Fiscal Impact: Minimal cost for landmark designation

Analyst: Webb