



**FOR THE HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION AN ORDINANCE  
DESIGNATING THE STONEWALL AND OLLIE DURHAM HOUSE IN BESSEMER  
CITY, NORTH CAROLINA AS A HISTORIC PROPERTY**

**WHEREAS**, all the prerequisites to the adoption of this ordinance prescribed in Part 3C, Article 19, Chapter 160 D of the general statutes of North Carolina have been met; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Bessemer City has taken into full consideration all statements and information presented by the Gaston County Historic Preservation Commission as of the 14th of November 2022; and

**WHEREAS**, the structure known as the Stonewall and Ollie Durham House located at 223 West Alabama Avenue; and

**WHEREAS**, the Gaston County Historic Preservation Commission has demonstrated the historic significance of the building and property and the North Carolina State Historic Preservation Office has approved the nomination of the Stonewall and Ollie Durham House.

**NOW THEREFORE, IT BE RESOLVED** by the City of Bessemer City Council:


1. That the Stonewall and Ollie Durham House located at 223 West Alabama Avenue in Bessemer City, North Carolina, Gaston County, and is hereby designated as historic property pursuant to Part 3C, Article 19, Chapter 160D of the General Statutes of North Carolina. The parcel ID number is #121321. The property is located in the City of Bessemer City in Gaston County and the value of the property is \$55,240.00 and the value of the building is \$79,880.00.
2. That said building and property may not be demolished, materially altered, remodeled, or removed until three hundred sixty-five (365) days written notice of the owner's proposed action has been given to the Gaston County Historic Preservation Commission.
3. That nothing in this ordinance shall be construed to prevent ordinary maintenance or repair of any architectural exterior feature in or in the said building or property that does not involve a change in design, material, or other appearance therefore, nor to prevent the construction, reconstruction, alteration, restoration, demolition, or removal of any such feature when a building inspector or similar official certifies to the Commission that said action is required for the public safety because of an unsafe condition. Nothing herein shall be construed to prevent the property owners from making any use of this property not prohibited by any other statutes, ordinances, or regulations.
4. That a suitable sign shall be posted indicating the said building and property's designation as historic property and containing any other appropriate information. If the owner consents, the sign shall be placed upon the said building or property. If the owner objects, the sign will be placed on a nearby public right of way.

5. That the owner of building and property known as the Osage Mill of City of Bessemer City be given notice of this ordinance as required by applicable law and that copies of this ordinance be filed and indexed in the Offices of the County Clerk, Gaston County Register of Deeds, Building Inspection Department, and Tax Supervisor as required by law.

Approved this 14th day of November 2022.



  
Becky S. Smith, Mayor

  
Hydeia Y. Hayes, City Clerk