

Wyche-Dobson-McCoy House

801 East Eighth Street



The Wyche-Dobson-McCoy House is a rare surviving dwelling from the twentieth-century Black neighborhood in Charlotte's First Ward that was destroyed by a 1970s urban renewal project. In the mid-twentieth century, Black homeowners and renters lived in First Ward, also the home for Black businesses, schools, and churches. Residents were professionals, blue-collar workers, and business owners. Urban renewal resulted in the displacement of residents and demolition of most of the houses. After protests and legal action by members of the First Ward community, this house was moved and rehabilitated rather than razed. The house is also notable for its association with Dr. Rudolph Wyche, a second-generation physician who saw patients in Charlotte and was active in the Civil Rights Movement locally and statewide. He and his family owned and lived in the house from 1934 through 1960. The proposed designation is for the exterior of the building and the associated parcel of land.

