

EXHIBIT 2

Designation Report on the E. L. Baxter Davidson Historic Markers and Monuments

Battle of McIntyre's Farm Monument Charlotte, N.C.



Northeast face of Battle of McIntyre's Farm Monument

1. Name and Location of the Property. The Battle of McIntyre's Farm Monument is located at 5801 Beatties Ford Road, within Charlotte's sphere of influence. The tax parcel number for the property on which the monument stands is 03711605, and its UTM Coordinates are 17 S 512386E 3907693N.
2. Name and Address of Parties to be Notified.
 - a. North Carolina Department of Transportation
Division 10, District 2 Office
7605 District Drive
Charlotte, N.C. 28213
District Engineer: Wendy Taylor
Direct Phone and Email: (980) 523-0000; wataylor1@ncdot.gov
 - b. Mecklenburg County Park and Recreation Department
Attn: Bert Lynn, Director of Capital Planning
5841 Brookshire Boulevard

Charlotte, N.C. 28216

Direct Phone and Email: (980) 314-1012; Bert.Lynn@mecklenburgcountync.gov

3. Ad Valorem Tax Appraisal. As of January 2021, the total appraised value of the property on which the Battle of McIntyre's Farm Monument stands is \$42,600. The property is currently exempt from the payment of property taxes.
4. Recommendation for Designation. The Battle of McIntyre's Farm Monument in its entirety, as well as a twenty-four (24) foot radius of the land immediately surrounding the monument, measured in each direction from the central point of the monument, is recommended for historic landmark designation.

The Battle of McIntyre's Farm Monument

The Battle of McIntyre's Farm Monument is unique among the various E. L. Baxter Davidson Historic Markers and Monuments in north Mecklenburg County, in that it is comprised of a single narrow boulder, light brown in color and intermittently laden with quartz deposits. The monument stands on property immediately adjacent to the McIntyre Farm Site, which is located at the corner of Beatties Ford Road and McIntyre Avenue. Because the monument is not physically situated on the McIntyre Farm Site, it was not originally included within the physical description of the 1974 Charlotte city ordinance designating the farm site as a local historical landmark.¹ Standing approximately 15 feet off a busy Beatties Ford Road corridor, the monument's continued integrity is at risk, given the rapid growth of vehicular traffic in the immediate area.



Aerial Image of Battle of McIntyre's Farm Monument (arrow indicates location) (source: Polaris 3G)

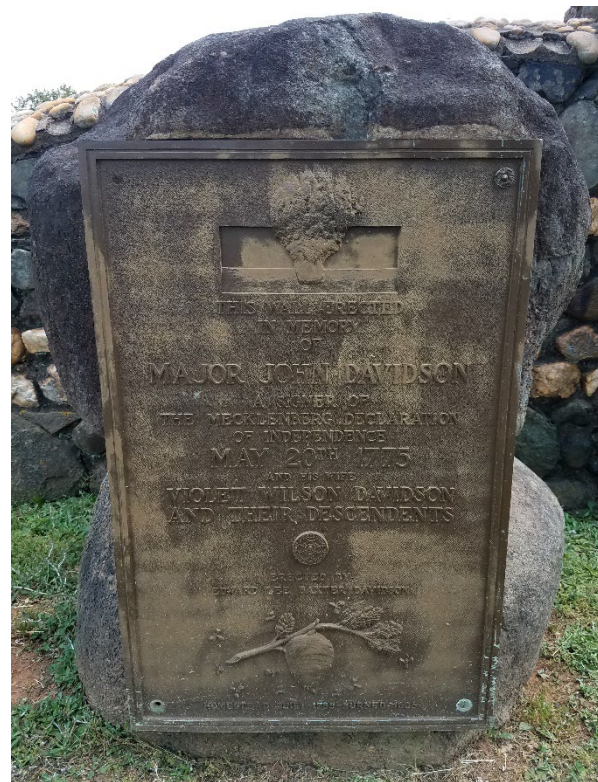
¹ Mecklenburg County Board of County Commissioners, "An Ordinance designating Lot 1 in Block B as Shown in May Book 9 Page 33 Recorded in the Mecklenburg County Registry, Being the Location of the McIntire Log Cabin, as Historic Property," Mecklenburg County Register of Deeds Real Estate Book 3776, Page 514, December 2, 1974. The original ordinance was subsequently amended to include the parcel immediately adjacent to the monument. Mecklenburg County Register of Deeds Real Estate Book 3794, Pages 26-28, October 6, 1975. However, the amended ordinance does not specifically reference the monument, leaving its designation status as a local landmark uncertain. This recommended designation is intended to alleviate that ambiguity.

The monument commemorates an October 1780 skirmish between approximately 300 British soldiers under the command of Lord Charles Cornwallis and some 14 Scotch-Irish Mecklenburg County settlers. Resentful of the foraging efforts of the British troops, the local patriots attacked, surprising the plundering invaders and driving them back into Charlotte. As the only relatively undisturbed battleground of the Revolutionary Era in Charlotte and Mecklenburg County, the site of the Battle of McIntyre's Farm is emblematic of the sustained campaign of local resistance that preceded the defeat of British forces at the Battle of Kings Mountains and prompted the retreat of Cornwallis' troops from Mecklenburg County, culminating ultimately in the defeat of Cornwallis at Yorktown and the successful completion of the Revolutionary War. Additional information about the Battle of McIntyre's Farm is available in the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Landmarks Commission's survey and research report for the McIntyre Site, available online at <http://landmarkscommission.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/06/McIntyre-Farm-Site-SR.pdf>.

The boulder comprising the monument stands approximately 5 feet tall and is approximately 2 feet long and 12 inches wide. It features a metal plaque, the top of which depicts a hornet's nest attached to a tree branch surrounded by flying hornets, the historic Revolutionary War symbol of Mecklenburg County. That image is virtually identical to the hornet's nest featured at the bottom of the Major John Davidson Marker plaque located at the Rural Hill Cemetery in Huntersville (also created at the behest of Baxter Davidson).



Plaque on Battle of McIntyre's Farm Monument



Plaque on Major John Davidson Marker

Beneath the hornet's nest on the Battle of McIntyre's Farm Monument is the following inscription:
"THE BATTLE OF MCINTYRE'S FARM / OCTOBER 3, 1780 / [Left column] AMERICAN FORCES: / 14 MEN / COMMANDER, CAPT. JAMES THOMPSON / MEN: / GEORGE GRAHAM, LIEUT. / FRANCIS BRADLEY / JAMES HENRY / THOMAS DICKSON / JOHN

LONG / ROBERT ROBINSON / GEORGE HOUSTON / HUGH HOUSTON / THOMAS MCCLURE / EDWARD SHIPLEY / GEORGE SHIPLEY / JOHN ROBINSON / [Right column] BRITISH FORCES: / 600 MEN / COMMANDER, MAJOR JOHN DOYLE / MEN: / 450 INFANTRY / 60 CALVARY / 40 WAGONS / THE BRITISH WERE / DEFEATED AND ROUTED / 8 KILLED / 12 WOUNDED [Below the two columns] ERECTED BY / EDWARD LEE BAXTER DAVIDSON / OF CHARLOTTE, N.C. / VICE PRESIDENT, GENERAL / S.A.R.” The insignia of the Sons of the American Revolution is displayed below the inscription.

The monument sits beside an earlier Battle of McIntyre's Farm marker, placed and dedicated in 1901 by the Daughters of the American Revolution (D.A.R.). It is unclear when the Baxter Davidson McIntyre's Farm monument was placed. According to the “Commemorative Landscapes” website maintained by the University Libraries of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Davidson's monument does not appear in a 1931 photograph of the D.A.R. marker, nor is it mentioned in news articles from that period describing the site.² According to the American Legion's website, however, Davidson's monument was installed in 1925.³



*Baxter Davidson (left and below) and Daughters of the American Revolution (right)
Battle of McIntyre's Farm Monuments*

² University Library, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, “Commemorative Landscapes – Battle of McIntyre's Farm Monument, Charlotte,” *Documenting the American South*, <https://docsouth.unc.edu/commland/monument/464/> (accessed December 13, 2021).

³ The American Legion, “2 Memorials - McIntyre Skirmish Memorial (DAR) and The Battle of McIntyre's Farm (SAR),” May 20, 2017, <https://www.legion.org/memorials/237504/2-memorials-mcintyre-skirmish-memorial-dar-and-battle-mcintyres-farm-sar> (accessed December 13, 2021).



Northeast face of Battle of McIntyre's Farm Monument

Polaris 3G Map – Mecklenburg County, North Carolina
Battle of McIntyre's Farm Monument

Date Printed: 9/23/2021 7:51:59 PM

