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Amendment to the nomination form for the Bay St. Louis Multiple Resource Area, Bay St. Louis, Hancock County, Mississippi.

(NOTE: All of the following properties and the district were included in the original nomination dated January 1980 but were not listed due to insufficient information.)

- St. Joseph's Chapel
- Webb School (300 Third St.)
- Alfred LeBlanc, Sr. House (986 S. Beach Blvd. and 100 Bay Oaks Court)
- 104, 105, 106 Boudin Lane
- 115 Julia St.
- 211 Third St.
- Marv's Body Shop
- Taylor School (116 Leonard St.)
- Elmwood Historic District

In 1986 the district and the individual properties were researched and reevaluated in order to resubmit them for Register nomination. As a result of the reevaluation, several properties have been deleted. The proposed district has been deleted as well, but three of its elements are being individually nominated. The properties now being submitted for nomination are:

- Glen Oak (806 N. Beach Blvd.)
- Taylor House (808 N. Beach Blvd.)
- DOE Elmwood Manor (902 N. Beach Blvd.)
- Webb School (300 Third St.)
- Not Accepted ~~Alfred LeBlanc, Sr. House (986 S. Beach Blvd. and 100 Bay Oaks Court)~~
- Taylor School (116 Leonard St.)

Statement of Significance

The town of Bay St. Louis (pop. 7,891) comprises an impressive collection of buildings constructed from 1790 to the 1940's. The architectural structures included in this proposed amendment to the Bay St. Louis Multiple Resource Area nomination were erected from before 1812 to approximately 1913. They are all being nominated for their architectural significance. Additional significance is attached to the Taylor and Webb Schools because of their importance to the theme of education within a local context.

In the original nomination, the Elmwood Historic District encompassed

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ten buildings. All located north of Highway 90, the houses were strung out along the western sea wall of the Bay of St. Louis. However, due to a lack of cohesiveness in this "district", only three of the buildings (Glen Oak, Elmwood Manor, and the Taylor House) are being nominated, each as an individual property.

Glen Oak at 806 N. Beach Boulevard is believed to have been constructed circa 1820, but is primarily significant because of its Shingle Style renovation. It is the only example of this architectural style in Bay St. Louis. This is rather unusual because the popularity of the Shingle Style coincided with the community's peak as a seaside resort. In fact, the only other Shingle Style buildings on the Mississippi Gulf Coast that have been identified to date are in Ocean Springs at the other end of the state's coastline. The construction of Elmwood Manor (902 N. Beach Blvd.) began before 1812 and was completed in 1828. It is one of the earliest extant buildings in the community. Not only is Elmwood Manor a significant example of the French Colonial style of architecture, but the infrastructure of its roof is also an important illustration of early nineteenth century timber frame construction.

At 808 N. Beach Boulevard is the Taylor House. Constructed around 1910, the building is a good example of a locally persistent house form dating from the antebellum period with early twentieth century architectural elements.

The Alfred LeBlanc, Sr. House, although it is now two separate structures (986 S. Beach Blvd. and 100 Bay Oaks Court), is being nominated as one property. In the original nomination, the buildings were referred to as the Henry P. Dart, Sr. House. These two structures were originally part of one long building believed to have been constructed before the Civil War. It underwent a major renovation in the late nineteenth century which resulted in a Queen Anne style building. In the 1940's, the center of the house was removed, leaving the two houses now standing. Taken as a unit, the remnants are a significant articulation of the Queen Anne style of architecture as it was applied to summer resort housing in late nineteenth century Bay St. Louis. Each house retains a surprisingly high degree of architectural integrity, despite the division. Each house has a tower which is a rare design element for Queen Anne style buildings in Bay St. Louis.

The Taylor and Webb Schools are the final properties included in this proposed amendment. Both are early twentieth century buildings. Taylor School (116 Leonard St.) is a Craftsman style structure erected in 1910. Its primary significance derives from the fact that it is extremely uncommon for this style of architecture to be articulated in

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an institutional building. The Craftsman style is associated primarily, if not exclusively, with residential architecture. The Webb School (300 Third St.) is the only early twentieth century Colonial Revival style school building on the Mississippi Gulf Coast that has been surveyed to date. It was constructed in 1913. Both structures are indicative of the one and two teacher schools that comprised the public education system on the Mississippi Gulf Coast around the turn of the century. Other school buildings from this area recorded in the Statewide Survey Files are generally larger and more elaborate in design than these.

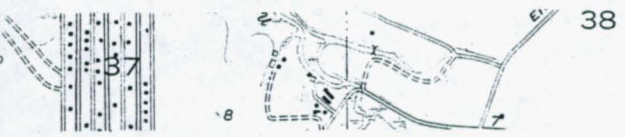
All of the buildings considered in this proposed amendment are significant in terms of the themes of architecture and/or education which were discussed in the Bay St. Louis Multiple Resource Area cover nomination. Taken as a group, the structures are an architectural illustration of one hundred years in Bay St. Louis history. These cultural resources, in conjunction with the properties that have already been listed, help historians and others to interpret the past of one of the oldest towns on the Gulf Coast.

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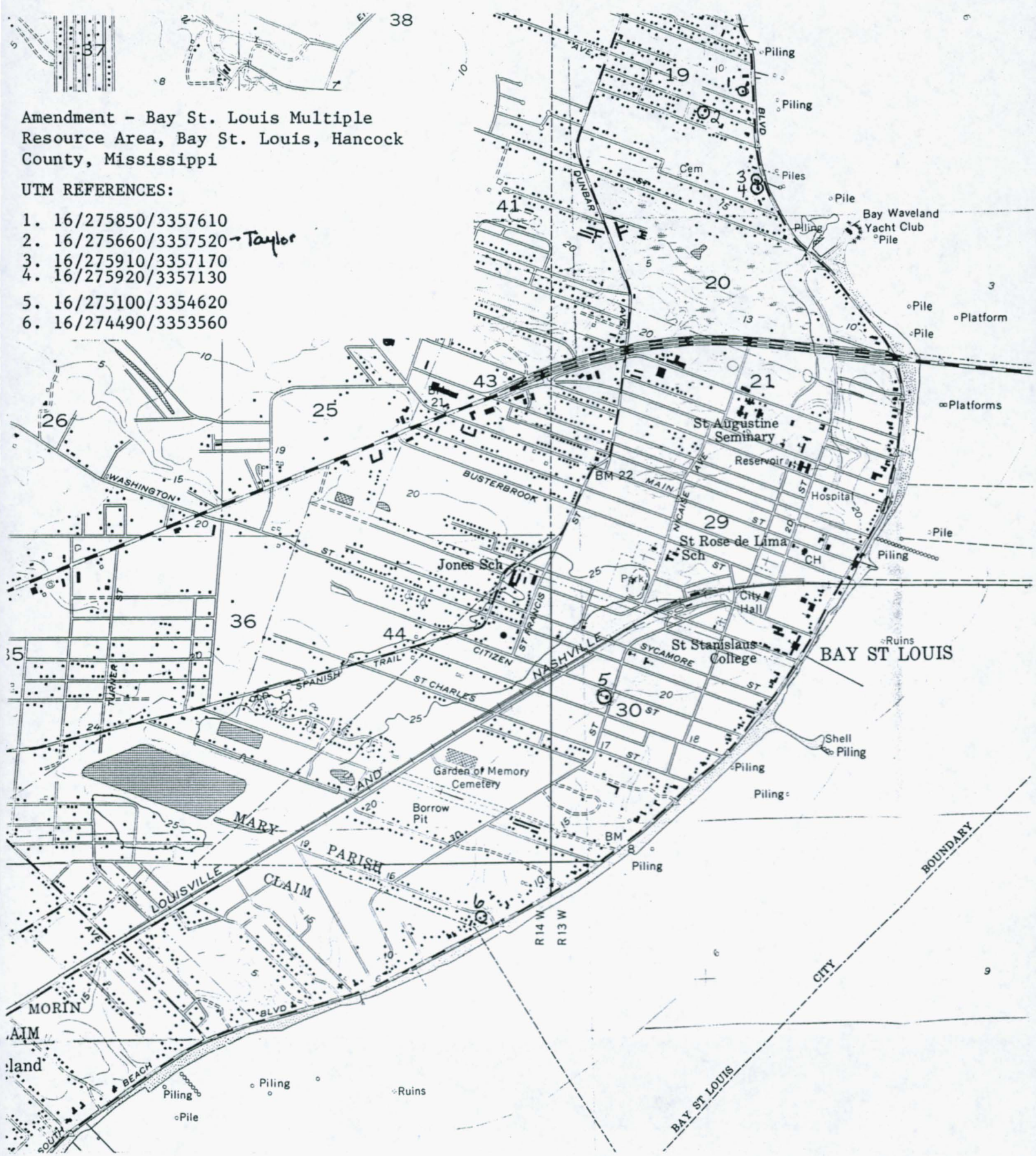
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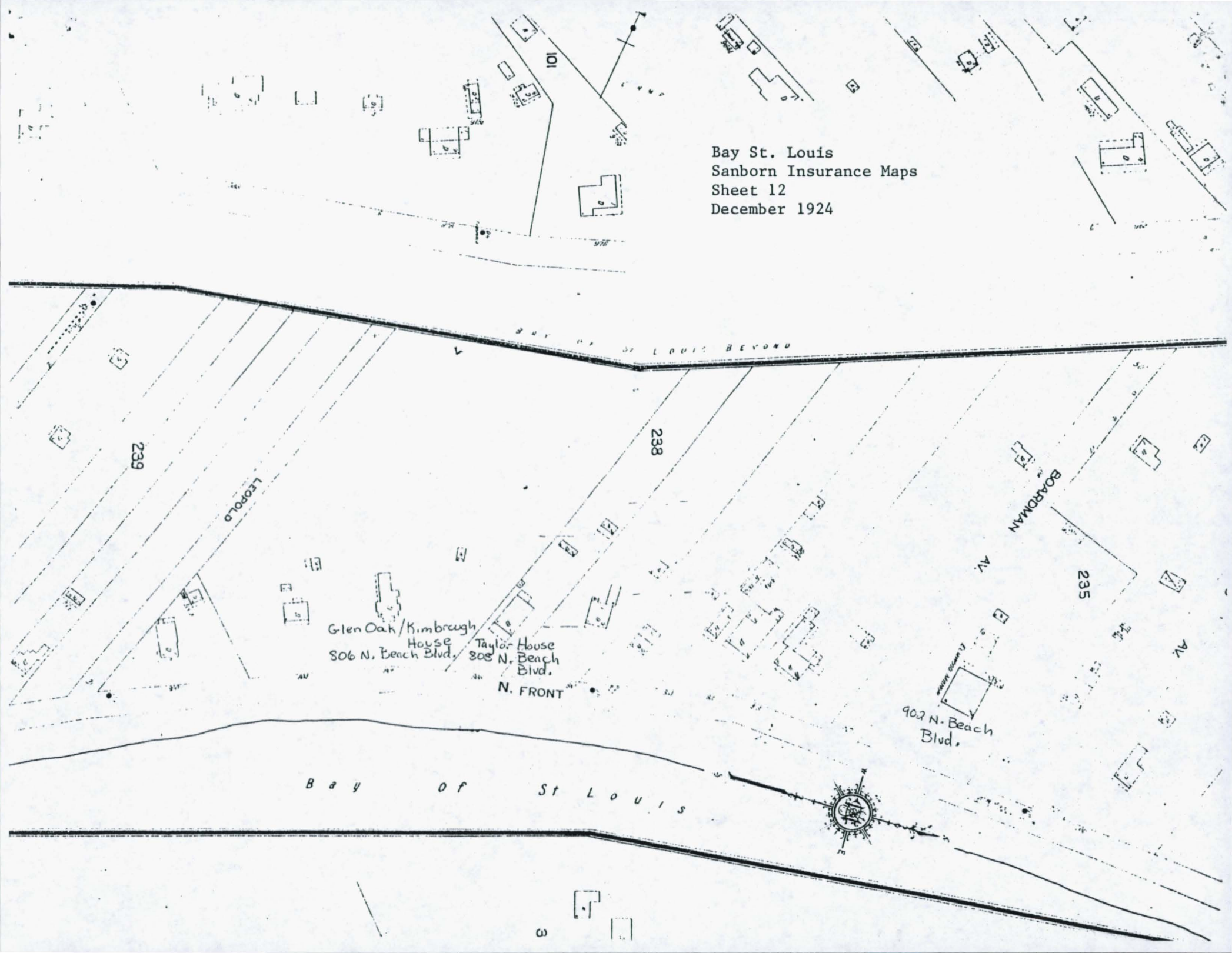
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CITY BOUNDARY

BAY ST LOUIS

Bay St. Louis  
Sanborn Insurance Maps  
Sheet 12  
December 1924





Taylor House, 808 N. Beach Blvd., front  
(east) and side (north) elevations,  
view to southwest

Bay St. Louis, Hancock County, Mississippi

Mississippi Dept. of Archives and History

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February 1986

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# Historic Sites Survey

**ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION:** This one story, five bay wide, clapboard house is topped by a steep, hip roof with broad, overhanging eaves. The undercut, full-width, front porch features box columns accented by Gothic motifs. The windows in the porch area are floor-length 4/4 double hung sash. The front entrance has a transom and is located in the second bay from the north end of the porch. The predominant window form is 4/4 double hung sash. The north facade features a three-sided bay with multi diamond-shaped lights/4 double hung sash windows and a small porch with a balustrade. Located in this side porch area are french doors with a segmental arched transom and an overdoor. Interior corbelled brick chimney.

**ALTERATIONS:**

modern, rear addition as large as the original building.

**OUTBUILDINGS:** There are no outbuildings located on this property, except for a small garage. It is not being counted as a contributing element.

**LANDSCAPE FEATURES:** The house faces the bay, as do the other buildings along Beach Boulevard. There has been no serious attempt at landscaping the grounds.

**STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE:** The Taylor House is a significant illustration of the persistent use of an antebellum building form being employed as late as the turn of the century. Although the house features such design elements as three-sided bays and a corbelled brick chimney, its basic form and such elements as the box columns are quite similar to those of surviving antebellum residences in Bay St. Louis.

**NAME:** Taylor House  
**STREET NO:** 808 N. Beach Blvd.  
**TOWN/VIC:** Bay St. Louis  
**COUNTY:** Hancock  
**BLOCK/LOT:** Lot 126, 1st Ward  
**PRESENT OWNER:** Garland Taylor et ux  
**ADDRESS** 2212 Palmer Ave.  
New Orleans, LA 70114  
**PRESENT USE:** residence  
**FORMER USE:** residence

**DATE:** ca. 1900

**STYLE:** Eclectic

**ARCH/BUILDER:** unknown

**SOURCE OF DATE:** estimate of surveyor based on stylistic elements

**ENVIRONMENT:** residential

**LEVEL OF SIGNIFICANCE**

NEIGHBORHOOD

LOCAL

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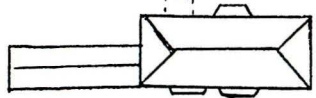
**PHOTOS**

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Garage



4th house from the corner

Leopold

N. Beach Blvd.



PHYSICAL CONDITION:

Good

DEFECTS:

None

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION:

Lot 126 (part of Parcel #20012-00) in the first Ward of Bay St. Louis as recorded in the Hancock County Land Roll in Re-appraisal Office in Bay St. Louis.

ACREAGE: Approximately three acres

UTM REF:

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