GAITHERSBURG HISTORIC SITES SURVEY FIELD SHEET

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ADDRESS 10 DESELLUM AVENUE MHT # M-21-140 SURVEY # 018
County: Montgomery LOT -, BLOCK -
Gaithersburg LIBER 378, FOLIO 149

OWNER: St. Martins Parish PRESENT USE: residence
ADDRESS: same ORIGINAL USE: residence
CITY: same BUILDER: unknown

STYLE: Late Victorian DATE BUILT: c.1890 PHYS. COND: fair

GENERAL DESCRIPTION

STRUCTURAL SYSTEM:
- FOUNDATION: brick
- WALL STRUCTURE: Balloon
- WALL COVERING: German siding

ROOF CONSTRUCTION:
- ROOF STRUCTURE: Wood Truss
- ROOF COVERING: asphalt shingle
- ROOF STYLE: gable
- EAVES: boxed cornice, double frieze
- CHIMNEYS: 2, covered

APPENDAGES:
- ADDITIONS: left elevation
- ELLS: -
- PORCHES: 3 plain posts
  - SUPPORTS: -
- OUTBUILDINGS: -

STORIES: 2 1/2 BAYS: 3 X 3 APPROX DIMENSION: 35 X 43

WINDOWS:
- TYPE: d.h.s.
- LIGHTS: 1/1, 2/2
- BAY WINDOWS: yes
- SIDE BY SIDES: -
- GABLE TYPES: small rectangular

THREAT: redevelopment SURROUNDINGS: residential/buffer

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DESCRIPTION: Front has boxed cornice and double frieze. Along roof line of main part and gable and on top of left side and front bay are decorative brackets attached to soffit about two feet apart. The porch runs across most of the front where it meets a two-storey bay. Porch has three simple support posts mounted at the top with two decorative brackets. In the first bay there is a 1/1 window 28 x 102 with original fancy lock.
According to Father Myer, the resident of the house, it was built by Rev. Lodge shortly after the Civil War. The house was bought by St. Martins Parish in the 1920's for use as a convent. The use was discontinued in the 1970's due to the declining population of the religious order.
The exterior was originally clapboard. The rooms on the right side have been converted into a chapel.

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