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DEXTER & MAIN STREET HISTORIC DISTRICT ADDED TO ALABAMA REGISTER OF LANDMARKS & HERITAGE

The Alabama Historical Commission (AHC) recently added the Dexter and Main Street Historic District in Webb to the Alabama Register of Landmarks & Heritage.

The Alabama Register is a prestigious listing of historic, architectural, and archaeological landmarks. The AHC considers the notable historic properties in this register to be particularly worthy of preservation and appreciation, and therefore deserving of this special recognition.

The Dexter and Main Street Historic District is a collection of historic commercial and residential structures located in the heart of Webb. Established in 1898, Webb was formed on the farm of Benjamin Franklin Webb when the Central of Georgia Railroad established a line which runs in generally east to west from Albany, Georgia to Lockhart, Alabama. A grid of streets were laid out within an already established framework of county roads. A commercial area evolved on Main Street near the railroad with a depot, warehouses, and as many as thirteen stores. Presently, one contiguous row of three stores, a metal warehouse, and the residential structures remain. Primary building types consist of a standard commercial storefront, vernacular Victorian cottages, as well as bungalows, massed plan cottages and ranch houses.

The Alabama Historical Commission administers the Alabama Register program, which gives the public a simple way to bring recognition to historic properties.

The Alabama Register officially recognizes and honors buildings, sites, structures, objects, and historic districts that are at least 40 years old.

The Alabama Register designation is honorary and carries no restrictions on property and offers no financial incentives.

*To protect, preserve, and interpret Alabama's historic places is the mission of the **Alabama Historical Commission, the State Historic Preservation Office.***

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