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SOUTHEAST AIR FORCES TRAINING CENTER ADDED TO ALABAMA REGISTER OF LANDMARKS & HERITAGE

The Alabama Historical Commission (AHC) recently added the Southeast Air Forces Training Center in Tanner 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 Southeast Air Forces Training Center, also known as Pryor Field, was constructed in 1941 and consists of two aircraft hangars and a beacon tower. These structures are the remaining artifacts of one of only a few World War II Army Air Forces Training Centers that have remained in continued use as airplane hangars since 1941. This center provided primary flight training for Army Air Force pilots. The facility was inactivated on December 28, 1944 and turned over to the Army Corps of Engineers on September 1945. The training center was eventually discharged to the War Assets Administration and became a civil airport.

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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