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LAMAR COUNTY'S CLEARMAN FARM ADDED TO ALABAMA REGISTER OF LANDMARKS & HERITAGE

The Alabama Historical Commission (AHC) recently added Clearman Farm near Vernon 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.

Clearman Farm is listed in the Alabama Register for its architectural significance. "It is an excellent example of a one story, wood-frame dwelling featuring two rooms separated by an open breezeway or dogtrot," said Lee Anne Wofford, Alabama Register Coordinator for the Alabama Historical Commission.

The dogtrot house type is becoming increasingly rare statewide. Once a common fixture in rural areas, most dogtrots have perished from neglect, intentional demolition, or vandalism. Others have been modified beyond recognition.

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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