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

The Alabama Historical Commission (AHC) recently added the Dick Mixon Farm in Beaverton 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 Dick Mixon Farm is listed in the Alabama Register for its agricultural and architectural significance. "It is a good example of a log dogtrot house, a popular house type in the 19th century, especially in the Deep South," said Lee Anne Wofford, Alabama Register Coordinator for the Alabama Historical Commission. Although the dogtrot has been enclosed, the house still retains a high degree of integrity.

Mr. Dick Mixon built this house sometime before 1899. Mixon was a highly respected farmer and public servant in Lamar County. During his life he accumulated 1055 acres of land, built numerous sheds, cribs, barns on the property and operated a blacksmith shop and a sawmill. He and his wife Susie had 11 children. He died in 1942.

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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