

Media Release
August 24, 2012

THE JACKSON HOME IN SELMA ADDED TO THE ALABAMA REGISTER OF LANDMARKS AND HERITAGE

The Alabama Historical Commission recently listed the Jackson Home in Selma, Dallas County to the Alabama Register. “The Alabama Register honors places at least 40 years or older that still convey a sense of Alabama History,” said Lee Anne Wofford, Alabama Register program coordinator.

Leaders planning nonviolent civil and voting rights actions in Selma had few places to meet in the mid 1960s. At great risk, black community leaders opened up their homes, businesses, and churches to develop strategies for both the voting rights movement and the Selma to Montgomery March. The Jackson Home was one of these key meeting sites. Dr. King and his staff used this home for meetings and private phone conversations with leading government officials about the Movement.

Listing is an honorary designation bringing attention to and promoting the property, while encouraging its long-term preservation. The Alabama Register does not restrict the rights of private property owners in the use, development, or sale of the property. Anyone can nominate a property to the Alabama Register and property owner permission is not required.

Does the Alabama Register program interest you? Visit <http://preserveala.org/alabamaregister.aspx>. Contact Lee Anne Wofford at 334-230-2659 or LeeAnne.Wofford@preserveala.org for more information on The Jackson Home.

*The Alabama Historical Commission **protects, preserves, and interprets Alabama’s historic places** and is the State Historic Preservation Office.*

www.preserveala.org



#####