



protection for women against employment discrimination. Her innovative and imaginative solutions to long-standing disputes within the women's movement paved the way for the movement to champion all aspects of women's legal equality.

- Murray's vision for a civil rights association for women, manifested in the National Organization for Women (NOW), arose from her decades of work for black freedom. On the vanguard of black activists in the 1940s, she advanced the cause of equal rights for African Americans by experimenting and promoting nonviolent types of activism that would become mainstays of the later civil rights crusade.
- She became the first ordained African-American female priest in the Episcopal Church in 1977.
- As she did not maintain a long-term residence or office, this home is the only extant building closely associated with her life. Beginning in 1914, when Murray went to live with her grandparents and her aunts in Durham, until 1948, when her aunts moved to Brooklyn to reside with her, Murray's time here imbued her with fortitude, resilience, and a propensity for extraordinary achievement. Her writings and personal correspondence indicate her strong emotional connection to the property.

Integrity:

- The Pauli Murray Family Home stands on its original site with a deep setback from Carroll Street. Although family members sold portions of the original one-acre tract, the neighborhood of modest early- to mid-twentieth-century residences appears much as it did during the period of significance. The dwelling reflects the deep familial connections and influences that informed Pauli Murray's personal and professional development.
- The substantial frame residence displays a typical late-nineteenth-century form with a number of original interior finishes including three mantels, the central staircase with newel posts and balusters, raised panel doors, plaster and beaded-board walls and



ceilings, and simple door surrounds, baseboards and chair rails. Narrow tongue-and-groove pine floors are intact throughout. In 2016, contractors replaced in kind missing windows, doors, siding, trim, the front porch, foundation, and roof sheathing based on historic photographs. Masons stabilized the main block's two original end chimneys.

- The Pauli Murray Center for History and Social Justice will continue the process of restoring the house to its early-twentieth-century appearance. The circa 1901-1906 one-story rear addition, which suffered irreparable water damage and was taken down in 2015, will be rebuilt using as much salvaged original material as possible.

Owner of Property: Self-Help Ventures Fund

Acreage of property: 0.27 acre

Origins of Nomination: As part of an effort to designate more NHLs in the theme of Women's History, the National Park Service provided the National Collaborative for Women's History Sites (NCWHS) with funding to prepare several NHL nominations. In collaboration with the National Park Service, the NCWHS identified this property and hired a consultant to prepare the NHL nomination.

Potential for Positive Public Response or Reflection on NHL Program:

- Designation as an NHL will bring public attention to Pauli Murray, a ground-breaking civil rights activist, lawyer, educator, writer, and Episcopal priest. Pauli Murray's life, nationally significant work, and philosophy clearly and vividly demonstrate the congruence of women's and civil rights, two critically important social movements in American history.

Potential for Negative Public Response or Reflection on NHL Program: None is known.

Advisory Board Recommendation:

Landmarks Committee Recommendation: Designation. Dr. Young moved, Mr. Harris seconded; unanimous approval.

Landmarks Committee Comments:

Public Comments Favoring Designation (received as of 10/24/16):

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