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Walter F. Daly House, Helm-McDonough House, and D.W. Hovey House receive historic designation

HOUSTON, July 25, 2012 – Houston City Council designated the Walter F. Daly House, the Helm-McDonough House and the D.W. Hovey House as historic landmarks.

The Walter F. Daly House, built circa 1929 at 2938 Del Monte Drive in River Oaks, was designed by architect Charles Oliver for the Russell Brown Company. The Daly House is an example of the Tudor Revival style and is faced with brick, stone, stucco and wood. Early occupants of the house were Walter F. Daly, a cotton broker, and Charles Simpson, vice president of the Rogers Galvanizing Company. Lodwich and Madaline Bolin purchased the house in 1948 and lived in the house for 44 years. Mr. Bolin was a vice president at Brown and Root, Inc., and endowed two chairs at Baylor College of Medicine.



The D.W. Hovey House at 3395 Del Monte Drive was designed and built by Alfred and Ivan Greer as a speculative house in 1937. The Hovey House was designed in the Colonial Revival style. The first occupants, Dana Hovey and his family, moved into the house in early 1938. During his career, Mr. Hovey served as president of the Independent Refining Association and worked with Danaho Oil and Refinery Company. The house was later owned by Jake and Olive Hershey. Mr. Hershey created the largest commercial barge line in the world, American Commercial Barge Line, and was a leading organizer and promoter of a national transportation system. He was also a longtime member and leader of many environmental

conservation organizations. He co-founded the Jacob and Therese Hershey Foundation, a charity dedicated to the preservation and conservation of the environment.

The Helm-McDonough House at 2107 Looscan Lane was designed in the Colonial Revival style by Louis A. Glover in 1937. The Helm-McDonough House was built for Mrs. Annie Dickson of Galveston. Mrs. Dickson sold it to Shirley and Justas Helm in September 1938. Shirley Helm was a prominent Houston attorney and a founding member of the Texas Trial Lawyers Association. Justa Cartwright-Helm was a descendent of the



Cartwright family, a Texas pioneer family that originally settled in San Augustine County. Mr. and Mrs. Helm lived in the house until 1947 when they sold it to Mr. and Mrs. Jack McDonough. The McDonoughs remained in the house until their deaths in 1979 and 1985.

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