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United States Department of the Interior
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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
REGISTRATION FORM

This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations for individual properties and districts. See instructions in How to Complete the National Register of Historic Places Registration Form (National Register Bulletin 16A). Complete each item by marking "x" in the appropriate box or by entering the information requested. If any item does not apply to the property being documented, enter "N/A" for "not applicable." For functions, architectural classification, materials, and areas of significance, enter only categories and subcategories from the instructions. Place additional entries and narrative items on continuation sheets (NPS Form 10-900a). Use a typewriter, word processor, or computer, to complete all items.

1. Name of Property

historic name Pleasant Inn

other names/site number Simmons, William F., House

2. Location

street & number 200 Broadway not for publication ___
city or town Myrtle Beach vicinity ___
state South Carolina code SC county Horry code 051 zip code ___

3. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1986, as amended, I hereby certify that this X nomination ___ request for determination of eligibility meets the documentation standards for registering properties in the National Register of Historic Places and meets the procedural and professional requirements set forth in 36 CFR Part 60. In my opinion, the property X meets ___ does not meet the National Register Criteria. I recommend that this property be considered significant ___ nationally ___ statewide X locally.
(___ See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

Mary W. Edmonds 9/20/96
Signature of certifying official Date

Mary W. Edmonds, Deputy SHPO, S.C. Department of Archives & History, Columbia, S.C.
State or Federal agency and bureau

In my opinion, the property ___ meets ___ does not meet the National Register criteria.
(___ See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

Signature of commenting or other official Date

State or Federal agency and bureau

4. National Park Service Certification

I, hereby certify that this property is:

X entered in the National Register
___ See continuation sheet.
___ determined eligible for the National Register
___ See continuation sheet.
___ determined not eligible for the National Register
___ removed from the National Register
___ other (explain): ___

11/7/96

for Signature of Keeper Date of Action

5. Classification

Ownership of Property
(Check as many boxes as apply)

- X private
- ___ public-local
- ___ public-State
- ___ public-Federal

Category of Property
(Check only one box)

- X building(s)
- ___ district
- ___ site
- ___ structure
- ___ object

Number of Resources within Property

Contributing	Noncontributing	
1	0	buildings
0	0	sites
0	0	structures
0	0	objects
1	0	Total

Name of related multiple property listing
Enter "N/A" if property is not part of a multiple property listing.)

Historic Resources of Myrtle Beach, S.C.

Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register _____

6. Function or Use

Historic Functions (Enter categories from instructions)

Cat: Domestic Sub: Multiple Dwelling

Current Functions (Enter categories from instructions)

Cat: Domestic Sub: Multiple Dwelling

7. Description

Architectural Classification
(Enter categories from instructions)

Other

Materials
(Enter categories from instructions)

foundation Brick pier with brick fill
roof Composition shingle
walls Synthetics: Vinyl
other

Narrative Description
(Describe the historic and current condition of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

8. Statement of Significance

Applicable National Register Criteria
(Mark "x" in one or more boxes for the criteria qualifying the property for National Register listing)

- ___ **A** Property is associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history.
- ___ **B** Property is associated with the lives of persons significant in our past.
- X **C** Property embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type period, or method of construction or represents the work of a master, or possesses high artistic values, or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components lack individual distinction.
- ___ **D** Property has yielded, or is likely to yield information important prehistory or history.

Criteria Considerations
(Mark "X" in all the boxes that apply.)

____ A owned by a religious institution or used for religious purposes.
____ B removed from its original location.
____ C a birthplace or a grave.
____ D a cemetery.
____ E a reconstructed building, object,or structure.
____ F a commemorative property.
____ G less than 50 years of age or achieved significance within the past 50 years.

Areas of Significance
(Enter categories from instructions)
Architecture

Period of Significance
ca. 1927

Significant Dates
ca. 1927

Significant Person
(Complete if Criterion B is marked above)

Cultural Affiliation
N/A

Architect/Builder
Sessions, Frank/Builder

Narrative Statement of Significance
(Explain the significance of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

9. Major Bibliographical References

Bibliography
(Cite the books, articles, and other sources used in preparing this form on one or more continuation sheets.)

Previous documentation on file (NPS)
___ preliminary determination of individual listing (36 CFR 67) has been requested.
___ previously listed in the National Register
___ previously determined eligible by the National Register
___ designated a National Historic Landmark
___ recorded by Historic American Buildings Survey #
___ recorded by Historic American Engineering Record #

Primary Location of Additional Data
X State Historic Preservation Office
___ Other State agency
___ Federal agency
___ Local government
___ University
___ Other
Name of repository:

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of Property Less than 1 acre

UTM References
(Place additional UTM references on a continuation sheet)

	Zone	Easting	Northing		Zone	Easting	Northing
1	17	695190	3729330	3			
2				4			

___ See continuation sheet.

Verbal Boundary Description
(Describe the boundaries of the property on a continuation sheet.)

Boundary Justification
(Explain why the boundaries were selected on a continuation sheet.)

11. Form Prepared By

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Additional Documentation

Submit the following items with the completed form:

Continuation Sheets

Maps
A **USGS map** (7.5 or 15 minute series) indicating the property's location.

Photographs
Representative **black and white photographs** of the property.

Additional items (Check with the SHPO or FPO for any additional items)

Property Owner

(Complete this item at the request of the SHPO or FPO.)

name Ms. Heddy McCabe

street & number 209 Sherwood Drive telephone

city or town Conway state S.C. zip code 29526

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Estimated Burden Statement: Public reporting burden for this form is estimated to average 18.1 hours per response including the time for reviewing instructions, gathering and maintaining data, and completing and reviewing the form. Direct comments regarding this burden estimate or any aspect of this form to the Chief, Administrative Services Division, National Park Service, P.O. Box 37127, Washington, DC 20013-7127; and the Office of Management and Budget, Paperwork Reductions Project (1024-0018), Washington, DC 20503.

The Pleasant Inn, built ca. 1927, is located at 200 Broadway in Myrtle Beach. It is associated with the property sub-type, "Residential Properties," as identified in the Multiple Property Listing, "Historic Resources of Myrtle Beach, South Carolina."

Characteristics that make it typical of boarding houses in Myrtle Beach are the low, two-story height; wood frame construction; tiered, two-story full facade porches; side stairway leading to upstairs entrance; and rentable rooms for boarders.

The Pleasant Inn is of frame construction with vinyl siding. It is a two-story building with a rectangular core plan, end to front gable roof, and one interior brick chimney. The three bay symmetrical facade has two single doors centered on the first story and one central door on the second story. A tiered, two-story, hip roof porch extends across the full facade and wraps to the right elevation. It features square wooden posts with brackets and a slat balustrade on the second story. The portion of the porch on the rear right elevation of the house is screened in. An outside stairwell on the right elevation provides access to the upstairs. The paired windows are six-over-six double-hung-sash. Stylistic features displayed by the house are exposed rafter ends and gable vents.

The rear porch was closed in on both the first and second floors by Mrs. William F. Simmons, and although the exact date is unknown, it was prior to 1974.

The Pleasant Inn is significant for its association with Myrtle Beach's period of growth and prosperity as a coastal community resort from 1926 to 1954 and as an excellent example of the residential properties commonly built in Myrtle Beach in the mid-twentieth century. It was one of a number of houses built during this time to accommodate permanent residents and boarders.

The Pleasant Inn has been owned by the same family since 1929, when it was purchased by William F. Simmons, a magistrate in Myrtle Beach. Lell Simmons, wife of William F. Simmons, ran a boarding house here known as the Pleasant Inn for many years. Many workers in Myrtle Beach stayed there in the early days. Mrs. Simmons also ran a grocery store a block away from the house for a short while. Mr. Simmons died in 1959, and his wife remained in the house until her death in 1974. One of the Simmons' daughters, Heddy McCabe, owns the house at present. Her niece, Cindy Simmons, lives in the house now and rents rooms to boarders.

Accommodations in Myrtle Beach have changed greatly over the years. The residential properties including boarding/guest houses, permanent residences, vacation and summer homes that were common in the downtown area and along Ocean Boulevard during the 1930s, 1940s, and early 1950s have been replaced by high-rise hotels, shops, theater, amusement parks, and other amenities geared toward the tourist population. Hurricane Hazel in 1954 and developments in the insurance industry dating to the early 1970s have been primary factors in these changes. The Pleasant Inn is one of the few remaining examples of the two-story boarding/guest houses that predates Hurricane Hazel.[1]

The property meets Criterion C as a representative example of the property sub-type, "Residential Properties," particularly of the boarding houses common in Myrtle Beach before the beach became populated by high-rise resorts.

[1]Interview with Heddy McCabe, Conway, S.C., 8 March 1995 (Mrs. McCabe, the present owner of the Pleasant Inn, is the daughter of William F. Simmons. Her niece lives there now); Interview with Marjorie Everhart, Myrtle Beach, S.C., 8 March 1995 (Everhart is owner of the Periscope); Edward E. Burroughs, "The Beginnings of Myrtle Beach," The Independent Republic Quarterly, 5 (1971): 17-18; Sun News (Myrtle Beach, S.C.), 7 May 1994; Interview with Heddy McCabe; Henry Trezevant Willcox, "Growing Up with Myrtle Beach, South Carolina," in Musings of a Hermit, ed. Clarke A. Willcox (Murrells' Inlet, S.C.: Clarke A. Willcox, 1967), p. 136.

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Verbal Boundary Description

Tax Map 181-10, Block 3, Parcels 1 & 2.

Verbal Boundary Justification

The nominated property includes the entire parcel historically associated with the Pleasant Inn.

Photograph Record for Pleasant Inn

The following information is the same for each of the photographs:

Name of Property:	Pleasant Inn
Location:	Myrtle Beach, South Carolina
County:	Horry
Name of Photographer:	Lilly Hardison, The Jaeger Company, Gainesville, GA
Location of Original Negatives:	South Carolina Department of Archives and History, Columbia
Date of Photographs:	Spring 1995

1. North front facade
2. North front facade
3. North front facade
4. East side facade
5. South rear facade