1. No. | LOR-02057-21
2. County | Lorain
5. Historic or Other Name(s) | Gayters-Gutman-Long House
6. Specific Address or Location | 321 North Main
9. U.T.M. Reference | 398158 4572504
10. Classification: | Building
11. On National Register? | No
14. Alteration Date(s) | ca. 1890
15. Other Designation (NR or Local) | UNKNOWN USE
16. Thematic Associations:
African American
COMMERCE World War II
17. Date(s) of Period | 1/6. Alteration Date(s) | unknown
18. Style Class and Design | No academic style - Vernacular
19. Architect or Engineer |structure Type
3. Present or Historic Name(s) | rental property
4. Present Name(s) | Gayters-Gutman-Long House
6a. Lot, Section or VMD Number | 900076101057
7. City or Village | Oberlin
8. County | Lorain
12. Part of Established Hist. Dist? | No
13. Part of Established Hist. Dist? | No
20. Contractor or Builder | 
21. Building Type or Plan | Non-discernable House Type
22. Original Use, if apparent | Multiple Dwelling
23. Present Use | UNKNOWN USE
24. Ownership | Private
25. Owner's Name & Address, if known | Kendal at Oberlin 600 Kendal Dr. Oberlin, OH, 44074
26. Property Acreage | .98
27. Other Surveys | 
28. No. of Stories | Two and a half story
29. Basement? | Yes
30. Foundation Material | Rock-Faced concrete block
31. Wall Construction | Balloon/western/platform frame
32. Roof Type | Gable
33. No. of Bays | 2 Side Bays 3
34. Exterior Wall Material(s) | Asphalt shingle
35. Plan Shape Square
36. Changes associated with 17/17b Dates:
17a. Original/Most significant construct
17b. Substantial alteration/addition
37. Window Type(s) | 1 over 1
38. Building Dimensions | 28' x 45'
39. Endangered? | Yes
By What? Alteration
40. Chimney Placement | Off center within ridgeline
41. Distance from & Frontage on Road | 30'
42. Further Description of Important Interior and Exterior Features (Continued on Reverse if Necessary)
This vernacular house with Queen Anne elements has been altered, mainly at the porch. At the front/west facade, the full front porch has a hip roof and metal supports as well as a metal balustrade around the perimeter of the porch. The porch has a concrete block foundation, and concrete steps with a metal railing lead up to the porch at the left side. Within the porch, the door at the center is comprised of wood panels at the attic/roof. The dormer at the left is bay-style with three windows at the second story and attic. The second story windows are 1/1 double hung and the attic windows are square. The north elevation has a door at the center, which may be historic; it has wood molding. The left and right sides of the first story, rectangular windows are set high in the wall. A 1/1 double hung window is above the door, between the first and second stories, and a 1/1 double hung window is at the left side of the second story. A pair of 1/1 continued...
44. Description of Environment and Outbuildings (See #52)
This house has no outbuildings. This house is located on a residential portion of North Main Street, a busy thoroughfare in Oberlin.
45. Sources of Information
Oberlin Heritage Center Resource Center, City Directories, Oberlin Phone Book and Past Perfect collections program; Lorain County Court House, Auditor Property Record, Internet, http://www.loraincounty.com/auditorindex.shtml, accessed 2009; Oberlin High School Obituaries, http://www.oberlin-high.org/obits/ohs_obits_o.html; 'John Gayters Is Taken By Death', Oberlin News, 2/4/1926, Pg. 1, Col. 3; 'Administrators sale of real estate', Oberlin News, 12/22/1927, Pg. 1, Col. 1; 'Born', Oberlin continued...
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8. Site Plan with North Arrow

54. Farmstead Plan:
   - Door Selection: Single off center
   - Door Position: Flush
   - Orientation: Lateral axis
   - Symmetry: Bilateral asymmetry

Report Associated With Project:
NADB #: 
Further Description of Important Interior and Exterior Features (Con't)

double hung windows is in the attic gable. A one-story rear addition has a flat roof, and a non-historic deck extends at the rear of the house. The south elevation has three 1/1 double hung windows at the first story. The second story has a 1/1 double hung window at the left and a non-historic door at the right opens to a wood stoop and steps. The attic gable includes a pair of 1/1 double hung windows. A stringcourse separates the upper 1/2 story from the bottom two stories of the house.

Description of Environment and Outbuildings (Con't)

family; in 1894 his sister Mina was also a resident. In 1894 the address was changed to 321 North Main Street. A daughter, Phyllis Florinda, was born in 1895. A fourth son, Lawrence, was born in 1900 and he became a mechanic. In 1926 John Gayters died at the age of 78. According to his obituary, he was remembered for his kindness and the way he cared for the ill. Shortly after his death, Florinda moved to 328 North Main Street. It is unclear when the children moved out of the house, although they likely moved out before Florinda. In 1891 the Gayters shared the house with the Smith family: Thomas J. Smith, later a postal clerk, his wife May C. (nee Stevens), and his brother Ezra Smith. In 1902 a J. Morton also lived in the house. By 1929 the Gutman family had moved into the house, likely having bought the house at auction after John Gayters died. The Gutman family also owned neighboring 329 North Main Street. Elizabeth Gutman was a widowed mother and moved in with her three sons, Carl G., Walter Joseph and Paul William. Walter Joseph had married Pearl (Bloedorn) in 1915, and she lived in the house as well. Walter and Pearl had six children, at least five of whom lived here in 1930 before moving to 329 N. Main by 1933. All were graduates of Oberlin High School: Carl Francis (1918-1944) became a machinist and then died as a pilot in New Guinea on a military mission in 1944; Dorothy Elizabeth (1919-1988) married Harold J. Brotz and moved next door to 329 North Main Street, before moving to Avon; Walter Joseph, Jr. (b. 1922) became a meter man; Betty (1923-2001) served as a photographer's assistant; Carol (b. 1929) worked for Oberlin College in the assistant treasurer's office. A sixth child, Sandra, was born in 1931. In 1935 Paul William married Esther Mary (Brown) and she moved into the house with him. The couple had two children, Pauline Esther and Elizabeth A. Around 1937, Paul and Esther moved to North Cedar Street. In 1937, Carl G. Gutman married Viola. Around 1940 Carl G. opened Gutman Radio Service in downtown Oberlin. During the 1950s and 1960s he was a grocer for the Oberlin Consumer's co-op and operated a business called Gutman's Greenhouse on his property. By 1970 the last Gutman had moved out of the house and Michael P. Young, a kitchen helper, had moved in. Willie Young was listed as the resident from 1973 to 1979. Around that time Norman G. and Louise E. Long bought the house while also living at 329 North Main. The house stayed in the Long family, later owned by Louis G. and Isaac, until 2006 when it was sold to Buy Kwic LLC. Buy Kvic then sold the house to Kendal at Oberlin in 2007. Kendal at Oberlin is the current owner.

Description of Environment and Outbuildings (Con't)

Sources (Con't)