



LENAWEE  
HISTORICAL  
SOCIETY

***HISTORIC STRUCTURE***



***412 North Broad Street, Adrian***

***WHEREAS, historic structures are not only tangible evidence of important national history, but tell the stories of generations of citizens of Lenawee County and their triumph and tragedies as well; and***

***WHEREAS, the Lenawee Historical Society created its “Historic Structures” program to identify and celebrate places in Lenawee County, Michigan, that connect people to their individual and collective heritage, and to work toward creating an environment that will support the preservation and rehabilitation of historic buildings and neighborhoods, celebrate economic development of sites, and manage change in communities; and***

***WHEREAS, 412 North Broad Street is a fine example of a Folk Victorian style structure with boxed cornice and brackets and Queen Anne windows, and having Camphored corners on the south façade, that dates to 1892; and***

***WHEREAS, Henry F. Smith, a cabinetmaker employed by Goodsell Lumber Mill purchased a portion of 3 lots from R. Bidelman in 1891 and likely began construction of the 2-story frame house; and***

***WHEREAS, the 1<sup>st</sup> occupant was Louis Schneider in 1892, followed by Fred Moreland in 1903, Joseph Wesley in 1904, Wm. A. Lowe in 1913 - all downtown merchants; and***

***WHEREAS, the building served as parsonage for the Methodist Church from 1924 through the 1960s, ultimately becoming the home of Sam Rutter in 1971 until 1987;***

***THEREFORE, the directors of the Lenawee Historical Society do hereby PROCLAIM 412 North Broad Street in Adrian as an HISTORIC STRUCTURE in Lenawee County this 1st day of June 2021.***