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INTERLACHEN AVENUE HISTORIC DISTRICT LISTED ON NATIONAL REGISTER

WINTER PARK, Fla., an internationally recognized ICMA Excellence Award winner with accredited fire, police and parks & recreation agencies

(January 19, 2012) – The City of Winter Park is proud to announce that the **Interlachen Avenue Historic District** was listed in the **National Register of Historic Places** by the National Park Service on November 30, 2011. This district now joins the Winter Park Downtown Historic District which was listed in the National Register on May 3, 2011.

The boundaries of the Interlachen Avenue Historic District are roughly Canton Avenue on the north, Knowles Avenue on the west, Lake Osceola on the east, and New England Avenue on the south. The historic period of significance runs from 1882 through 1964, for which the district was deemed significant in the areas of architecture and community planning.

The National Register honors places by recognizing their importance to the community, state or nation, and is the official list of historic places worthy of preservation. Authorized under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, it is part of a national program to coordinate and support efforts to identify, evaluate, and protect historic and archeological resources. Properties listed in the National Register are significant in history, architecture, archeology, engineering and culture.

The historic district listing illustrates the importance that Winter Park's early leaders placed on developing churches and residential neighborhoods in close proximity to downtown. Several homes were built that were significant in Winter Park history, with the oldest building being the Osceola Lodge, built in 1882 as a winter home.

For more information regarding the city's listings on the National Register of Historic Places, please call 407-599-3498. For information regarding the City of Winter Park, please visit the city's official website at

www.cityofwinterpark.org.

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