Maryland Historical Trust
Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties Form

1. Name of Property
   (indicate preferred name)
   historic Earl and Evelyn Hemminger House
   other

2. Location
   street and number 4253 Montgomery Road
   city, town Ellicott City
   county Howard
   __ not for publication

3. Owner of Property
   (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)
   name Beazer Homes Corp.
   street and number 8965 Guilford Rd. Suite 209
   city, town Columbia
   state MD
   telephone 410-948-4060
   zip code 21046-2384

4. Location of Legal Description
   courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Howard County Courthouse
   tax map and parcel: 24-320
   city, town Ellicott City
   liber 9008 folio 381

5. Primary Location of Additional Data
   Contributing Resource in National Register District
   Contributing Resource in Local Historic District
   Determined Eligible for the National Register/Maryland Register
   Determined Ineligible for the National Register/Maryland Register
   Recorded by HABS/HAER
   Other
   Historic Structure Report or Research Report

6. Classification
   Category Ownership Current Function Resource Count
   __ district public agriculture landscape contributing
   X building(s) private commerce/recall recreation/culture 1 buildings
   __ structure both defense religion 0 sites
   __ site domestic social transportation 0 structures
   __ object education work in progress 0 objects
   __ object funerary unknown 0 Total
   __ object government vacant/not in use 1
   __ object health care other: 0
   __ object industry 0

Number of Contributing Resources previously listed in the Inventory 0
The Earl and Evelyn Hemminger House is located at 4253 Montgomery Road, on the north side of the road just east of the intersection with Old Columbia Pike, south of Ellicott City in northeastern Howard County, Maryland.

Exterior
The house faces west toward the road and is a two-story, three-bay, by one-bay brick veneer structure of all-stretcher bond with a gable roof that has slate and a north-south ridge. All of the windows have brick sills, steel lintels, and fake blinds. On the west elevation, the first story has a door with jalousies in the north bay. The door has a wood surround with fluted pilasters and a plain frieze. The center bay and south bay have paired six-over-six sash. The basement has a pair of three-light sash in the center bay with a brick window well. The second story has a pair of six-over-six sash in the center bay and eight-over-eight sash in both the north and south bays.

The south elevation has a pair of six-over-six sash on both the first and second stories and a lunette with louvers in the gable end. The east elevation is four bays. The first story has an altered opening in the south bay with a door that is aluminum, is glazed, and has a concrete porch and steps in front of it. The south-center bay has a six-over-six sash. The north-center bay has a flush door with one large light, and a flagstone and brick deck. The north bay has a six-light casement. The south and south-center bays of the second story each have a six-over-six sash. The north-center bay has a twelve-light door that is blocked off with pressure-treated railing. The north bay has a four-over-four sash. There is an interior brick chimney on the north gable end. The basement has an altered brick cellar entrance and a three-light sash in the south-center bay. There is a three-light sash with missing muntins in the north bay.

Interior
The first story has an entrance foyer at the north end with a room in the west-center, the south end, and the east-center. There is a rear vestibule and lobby between the foyer and the central rooms. The north room has a 2-1/4-inch tongue and grooved oak flooring that runs east-west. The architrave has a broad, flat ogee back band and a small ogee in the inner edge. There is a telephone niche on the west elevation, south of the door. The north elevation has a fireplace with a tile hearth, brick surround, and firebrick firebox. There is a wood mantel with reeded pilasters and chevrons on the imposts. There is a reeded frieze with a panel in the center that contains an urn. There is a dogleg stair on the east, with two steps below the landing and a closet at the north end of the landing. The stairway has an open stringer, a turned, tapered newel post and balusters, and sawn brackets. The closet door has one panel with a margin around it. There is a door on the south elevation of the north room that matches the closet door, but has a different margin. The lobby has a pine floor and an arched opening to the rear door vestibule. The east-center room door has two panels, while the west-center room door has one panel with a margin. The doors have butt hinges with ball finials. The rest of the floors are carpeted, and the walls have drywall. The east room has flush doors, and a powder room has been added in the northeast corner. There are no other significant interior finishes on the first story.

The second story landing has an oak floor inside of the second story door to the exterior, then two steps up to the west. There is a passage that runs north-south, with two rooms to the north, one in the west-center, and one at the south end. There is a bathroom in the east-center section. The two north chambers were originally one room, and the original doors have one panel with a margin. The wall was removed to open up the west-center chamber to the passage, which ran to the south chamber. The south chamber has an original closet built into the southeast corner, and a hatch in the ceiling that leads to the attic. The bathroom has a new linoleum tile floor and white rectangular tile on the walls. The fixtures are new.
### 8. Significance

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**Specific dates**

**Construction dates** c. 1941-45

**Architect/Builder** n/a

**Evaluation for:**

- National Register
- Maryland Register
- not evaluated

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Prepare a one-paragraph summary statement of significance addressing applicable criteria, followed by a narrative discussion of the history of the resource and its context. (For compliance reports, complete evaluation on a DOE Form - see manual.)

The lot on which Earl and Evelyn Hemminger built their house was part of the adjacent Rex Family property (HO-903), and Frederick William Rex sold off six acres to the Hemmingers in 1941. The tax records indicate that the house was built in 1945, and a date of c. 1941-45 seems reasonable. The house has been altered for commercial use but was a large brick veneered colonial with a slate roof, and had a large entrance hall with fireplace and stairway. This entrance hall is the one significant surviving feature of the house, and contains a Federal revival mantel and a telephone niche in the wall near the front door. The house was sold in 1963, presumably to another family, and probably became offices in 1989. It was demolished for redevelopment in May 2006.
9. Major Bibliographical References

See continuation sheet.

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of surveyed property 1.354 acres
Acreage of historical setting 6.07 acres
Quadrangle name Ellicott City
Quadrangle scale 1:24000

Verbal boundary description and justification
The boundary is the property lines.

11. Form Prepared By

name/title Ken Short
organization Howard County Dept. of Planning & Zoning
date 8/16/2006
street and number 3430 Courthouse Drive
telephone 410-313-4335
city or town Ellicott City
state MD zip code 21043

The Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 supplement.

The survey and inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

return to: Maryland Historical Trust
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100 Community Place
Crownsville MD 21032
410-514-7600
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Earl and Evelyn Hemminger House, site
4253 Montgomery Road (MD 103), Ellicott City
Howard County, Maryland GIS
Howard County Aerial Photography Viewer

HO-905 demolished c. 2007
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Earl and Evelyn Hemminger House, site
4253 Montgomery Road (MD 103), Ellicott City
Ellicott City Quadrangle, 1953 (Photorevised 1966 and 1974)
Photograph Labels

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Earl & Evelyn
Hemminger House
4253 Montgomery Road
Howard County, MD
House- west elevation
Ken Short,
April 2006
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Earl & Evelyn
Hemminger House
4253 Montgomery Road
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Howard County, MD
House- north room,
view northeast
Ken Short,
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Howard County, MD
House- north room
mantel
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House- north room
mantel frieze panel
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House- north room,
telephone niche on west
elevation
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HO-0905  Earl & Evelyn Hemminger House  4253 Montgomery Road, House-north room mantel frieze panel
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