

72-010 Van Horn-Mitchell House

4706 Mann Street

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Built c. 1803 for the family of Archibald Van Horn, a state legislator and U.S. Congressman, the Van Horn-Mitchell House is a two-and-one-half-story, side-gabled, brick plantation house executed in the Federal style. Since 1940 it has been the home of the Mitchell family, local leaders in the Muslim faith, who had come to Washington from the Tuskegee Institute in Alabama. The home has been a gathering place for such prominent black individuals as Portia Washington Pittman, Mohammed Ali, Elijah Mohammed, Malcolm X, and Anwar Sadat.