

FORM B - BUILDING

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
80 BOYLSTON STREET, BOSTON, MA 02116

AREA	FORM NO.
	21/95-4

PHOTO: (3x3" or 3x5", black & white)
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Photo number _____

SKETCH MAP

Show property's location in relation to nearest cross streets and/or geographical features. Indicate all buildings between inventoried property and nearest intersection. Indicate north.

Recorded by Carla Benka

Organization Brookline Historical Comm.

Date September 1978

Town Brookline MRA

Address 808 Washington Street

Historic Name Timothy Corey House (I)

Use: Present single family residence

Original single family residence

DESCRIPTION:

Date 1806

Nina Fletcher Little's Some Old

Source Brookline Houses

Style Federal

Architect unknown

Exterior wall fabric clapboard

Outbuildings none

Major alterations (with dates) _____

Porch added to front entrance; ca. 1920.

Two bay windows added; ca. 1920

Moved No Date NA

Approx. acreage less than one acre

Setting The property sits on a rise

above Washington Street, facing a row

of attached single family houses.

Newton Quadrangle

UTM Reference: 19/323750/4689700

Map #: 71

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ARCHITECTURAL SIGNIFICANCE (Describe important architectural features and evaluate in terms of other buildings within the community.)

The first Timothy Corey House is an end-gabled, five-bay Federal-style house. Several bay windows have been added to the house, and a porch running the length of the house was added ca. 1920. A balustrade extends along the front of the yard. The property is one of the few vernacular Federal-style properties in Brookline.

HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE (Explain the role owners played in local or state history and how the building relates to the development of the community.)

Known as the first Deacon Timothy Corey House, 808 Washington Street was built ca. 1806, according to Nina Fletcher Little's Some Old Brookline Houses. It, like 786-788 Washington Street, the second Timothy Corey House, was first owned by Deacon Timothy Corey. Corey, with his brother Elijah, helped to found the Baptist Church in Brookline. Deacon Timothy and Elijah also inherited the farmlands which had been acquired by their father Timothy, who had moved from Weston, MA to Brookline in the early 1760s. The Corey Farm was particularly famous for its apple orchards; in addition, it raised other produce for the Boston markets, like the farms of the Griggs, Babcock, and Bartlett families.

The last Corey to live in this house, Miss Abie Corey, died in 1919 at the age of 93. She was the last surviving representative of the immediate family which had been "one of the oldest and most prominent settlers of the town." (Society Proceedings 1920, p.9) Abie was the Daughter of Deacon Timothy.

The property has been carefully preserved, first by All Saints Church, which was willed the house by Abie Corey, and now by its most recent owners. The First Timothy Corey House meets criteria A, B, and C for listing to the National Register. It remains from the period in which Brookline was dominated by agricultural activity, was once the home-
stead of one of the town's most socially and civically active families, and is a rare vernacular example of the Federal style in Brookline.

BIBLIOGRAPHY and/or REFERENCES (name of publication, author, date and publisher)

Little, Nina Fletcher. Some Old Brookline Houses. Brookline Historical Society.
Brookline: 1949. pp. 147-149.
Proceedings of the Brookline Historical Society. 1920. p. 9. _

United States Department of the Interior
National Park ServiceNational Register of Historic Places
Inventory—Nomination Form

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Continuation sheet

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Multiple Resource Area
Thematic GroupName Brookline MRA
State MASSACHUSETTS

Nomination/Type of Review

Date/Signature

11. Cabot, Lewis, Estate

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Keeper

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Helena Byers 10/17/85

12. Candler Cottage

Entered in the
National Register

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DistrictEntered in the
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14. Child, Isaac, House

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15. Corey, Timothy, House #1

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16. Corey, Timothy, House #2

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20. Douglass, Alfred, House

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

Corey, Timothy, House #1 (Brookline MRA)
Norfolk County
MASSACHUSETTS

Working No. SEP 4 1985
Fed. Reg. Date: 2/3/87
Date Due: 10/3/85 - 10/19/85
Action: ☒ ACCEPT 10-17-85
☐ RETURN
☐ REJECT
Entered in the National Register
Federal Agency: _____

- ☐ resubmission
☐ nomination by person or local government
☐ owner objection
☐ appeal

Substantive Review: ☐ sample ☐ request ☐ appeal ☐ NR decision

Reviewer's comments:

Recom./Criteria _____
Reviewer _____
Discipline _____
Date _____
_____ see continuation sheet

Nomination returned for: _____ technical corrections cited below
_____ substantive reasons discussed below

1. Name

2. Location

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
	Public Acquisition	Accessible	

4. Owner of Property

5. Location of Legal Description

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

Has this property been determined eligible? ☐ yes ☐ no

7. Description

Condition

- | | |
|------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| ☐ excellent | ☐ deteriorated |
| ☐ good | ☐ ruins |
| ☐ fair | ☐ unexposed |

Check one

- ☐ unaltered
☐ altered

Check one

- ☐ original site
☐ moved date _____

Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

- ☐ summary paragraph
☐ completeness
☐ clarity
☐ alterations/integrity
☐ dates
☐ boundary selection

8. Significance

Period Areas of Significance—Check and justify below

Specific dates

Builder/Architect

Statement of Significance (*in one paragraph*)

- ☐ summary paragraph
☐ completeness
☐ clarity
☐ applicable criteria
☐ justification of areas checked
☐ relating significance to the resource
☐ context
☐ relationship of integrity to significance
☐ justification of exception
☐ other

9. Major Bibliographical References

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property _____

Quadrangle name _____

UTM References _____

Verbal boundary description and justification _____

11. Form Prepared By

12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification

The evaluated significance of this property within the state is:

____ national ____ state ____ local

State Historic Preservation Officer signature

title

date

13. Other

- ☐ Maps
☐ Photographs
☐ Other

Questions concerning this nomination may be directed to _____

Signed _____ Date _____ Phone: _____

Comments for any item may be continued on an attached sheet



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Corey, Timothy House #1



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DEACON TIMOTHY COREY HOUSE #1

TOWN OF BROOKLINE MAP - JAN. 1981

1/2" = 200 ft

