

Area	Form no.
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MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION  
294 Washington Street, Boston, MA 02108

Roll 9:22

Town Stoneham

Address 5-7 Gerry St. House

Historic Name Benjamin Hibbard Residence

Use: Original residential

Present apartments

Ownership:  Private individual Richard G. E  
 Private organization Janet E. Buckley

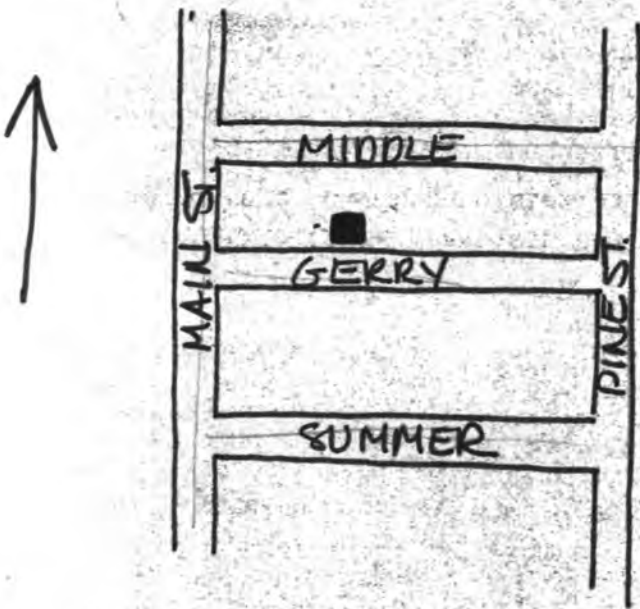
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Original owner Unknown

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SKETCH MAP

Draw map showing property's location in relation to nearest cross streets and other buildings or geographical features. Indicate north.



DESCRIPTION:

Date ca. 1850

Source map research

Style Transitional Greek Revival Italianate

Architect unknown

Exterior wall fabric clapboard

Outbuildings none

Major alterations (with dates) \_\_\_\_\_

none

Moved no Date \_\_\_\_\_

Approx. acreage 9,800 sq. ft.

Recorded by Candace Jenkins with Carole Zellie Setting densely developed 19th century

Organization Landscape Research residential neighborhood

Date May 1979

Assessor's Map #13-473

UTM: Boston North Quad  
19/327350/4704440

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**ARCHITECTURAL SIGNIFICANCE (describe important architectural features and evaluate in terms of other buildings within community)**

The Benjamin Hibbard House is one of two well preserved double houses in Stoneham. Constructed ca. 1850, it is a two-story, four bay house which is sheathed in clapboards and enclosed by a pitched roof. Windows have projecting frames and contain 6/6 sash. The entries are centered of the facade and protected by a single open porch. Other decorative elements include paneled pilasters and a bracketed cornice.

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

The Benjamin Hibbard House possesses integrity of location, design, setting, materials, and workmanship. It is significant as one of only two well preserved double workers' houses in Stoneham. As a representative housing type from Stoneham's major period of significance, it meets criterion A of the National Register of Historic Places.

The Hibbard House was constructed next to the South School (1856) during the 1850's. It is representative of the variety of workers' houses found in the Summer-Pond Street area, a neighborhood of laborers and shoemakers from ca. 1820-1915. Benjamin Hibbard was a horsecar driver during his residence here in the 1870's and 1880's; other residents are unknown.

**BIBLIOGRAPHY and/or REFERENCES**

1874 map of Stoneham  
1872 Business Directory

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

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Continuation sheet

Item number

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Multiple Resource Area  
Thematic Group

Name Stoneham Multiple Resource Area  
State Middlesex County, MASSACHUSETTS

Nomination/Type of Review

Date/Signature

31. Gilmore, Onslow, House

Entered in the  
National Register

*f* Keeper

*Delores Byers* 4/13/84

Attest

32. Green, Jonathan, House

Entered in the  
National Register

*f* Keeper

*Delores Byers* 4/13/84

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33. Hawkins, Lorenzo D., House

Entered in the  
National Register

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34. Hibbard, Benjamin, House

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National Register

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35. Hill, Sidney A., House

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National Register

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36. House at 6 S. Marble St.

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37. House at 19 Tremont St.

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38. House at 391 Williams Street

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39. House at 114 Marble Street

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40. House at 269 Green Street

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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES  
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

Hibbard, Benjamin, House (Stoneham MRA)  
Middlesex County  
MASSACHUSETTS

Working No. FEB 28 1984  
Fed. Reg. Date: 2/5/85  
Date Due: 3-29-84 - 4-13-84  
Action:  ACCEPT 4-13-84  
 RETURN  
 REJECT  
Federal Agency: \_\_\_\_\_

Entered in the  
National Register

- 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
- good
- fair
- deteriorated
- ruins
- unexposed

Check one

- unaltered
- altered

Check one

- original site
- moved date \_\_\_\_\_

Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

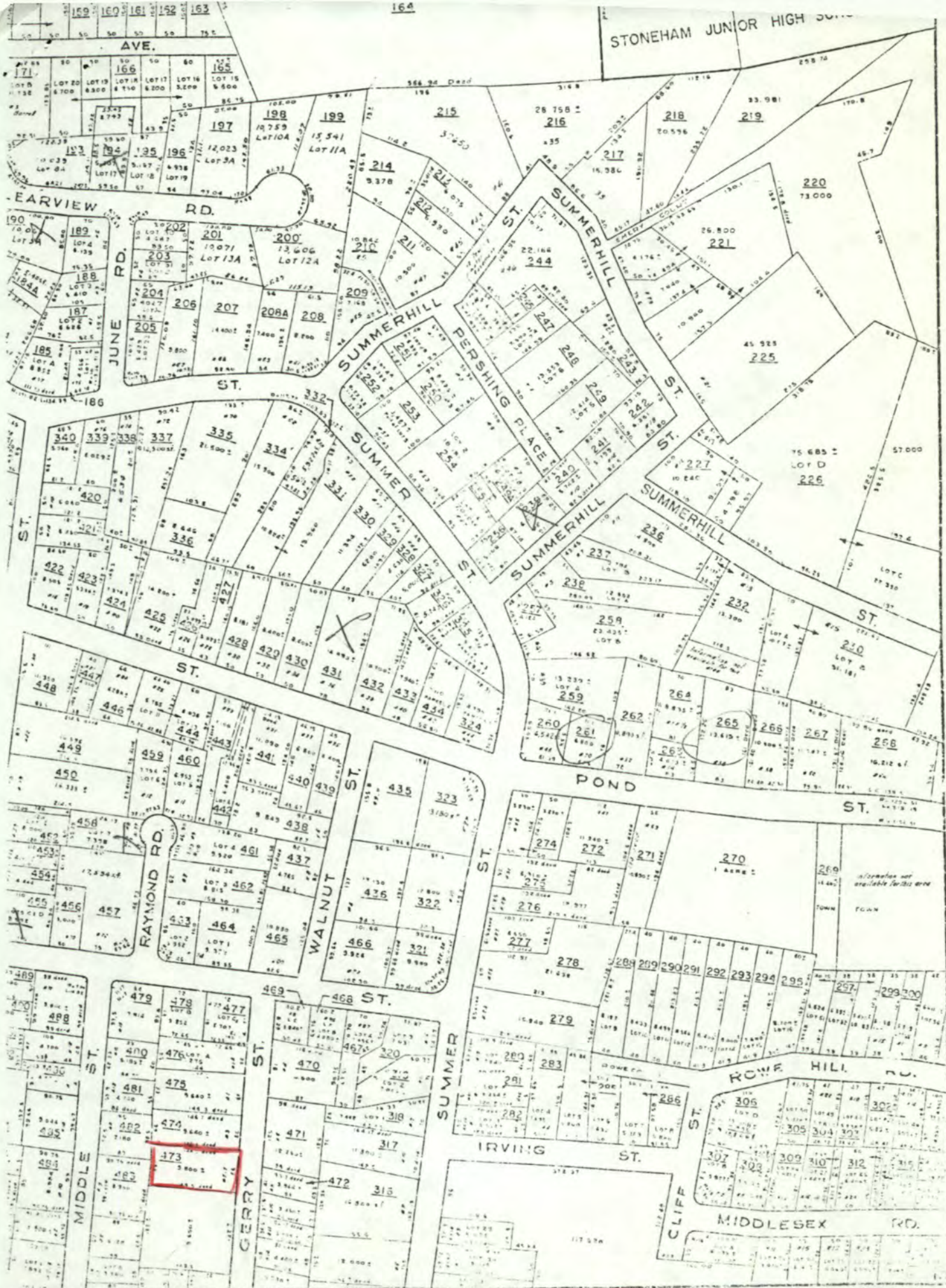
- summary paragraph
- completeness
- clarity
- alterations/integrity
- dates
- boundary selection





Hibbard, Benjamin, House  
Stoneman MA, Ma

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#248 Present Date page 13, lot 473 TOWN OF STONEHAM 13  
 1"=200' ASSESSOR'S MAP

Please refer to the map in the  
Multiple Property Cover Sheet  
for this property

Multiple Property Cover Sheet Reference Number: 64000295

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MHC # 248

Janet E. Buckley  
7 Gerry Street  
Stoneham, Mass. 02180

CJ

October 21, 1983

Dear Sir or Miss,

I am in favor of my  
property being added to the  
National Register of Historic Places.

So much of Stoneham ~~has~~  
has been asphalted into oblivion  
that much of the character of this  
town has been lost.

I applaud your efforts in  
behalf of retaining and protecting  
our heritage.

Sincerely,  
Janet E. Buckley