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congressional district 16th (Regula)

See instructions in How to Complete National Register Forms Type all entries—complete applicable sections

1. Name

historic Stewart, Harry Bartlett, Property

and/or common Quail Hollow State Park

Location 2.

Rd street & number 13340 Congress Lake Road

Hartville viecity, town

Ohio 44632 state

code

039

X vicinity of

Classification 3.

Category district building(s) structure site	Ownership public private both Public Acquisition	Status <u>x</u> occupied <u>w</u> unoccupied work in progress Accessible	Present Use agriculture commercial educational entertainment	museum park private residence religious
object	in process being considered	yes: restricted yes: unrestricted	government industrial military	scientific transportation

county

Stark

Owner of Property 4.

name	Ohio	Department	of	Natura1	Resources,	Division	of	Parks	and	Recreation
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street & number Fountain Square

city, t	own	Columbus		- States	vicinity of	state	Ohio	44324	
5.	Lo	cation	of	Legal	Description				
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city, t	own	Canton		and the second		state	Ohio	44702	
6.	Re	prese	nta	tion in	Existing Surve	ys			1.81
title	Ohio	Historic]	Invent	ory	has this property been	determined e	legible?	yes	<u>_X_no</u>
date	July	, 1981		<u>. 6.</u>	fed	eral <u>x</u> sta	nte	county _	local

Ohio Preservation Office depository for survey records

city, town I-71 and 17th Avenue, Columbus

state Ohio 43211

7. Description

Condition

 ______excellent
 _______deteriorated
 _______unaltered

 _______good
 _______ruins
 _______altered

 _______fair
 _______unexposed

Check one ______ original site

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Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

Check one

The Harry Bartlett Stewart property is a complex of framed clapboard buildings situated in the northeast corner of Lake Township in Stark County on a site of nearly 700 acres acquired by the State of Ohio in 1975. It is presently being developed as a wildlife refuge and interpretive center by the Ohio Department of Natural Resources.

Situated between Congress Lake and the Hartville Swamp, the tract was originally owned by farmers of German extraction, principally descendents of the Conrad Brumbaugh family who settled the area in the 1830's and whose family cemetery is included in the nominated area. The property was purchased by Stewart in the late 1920's and the original Brumbaugh farmhouse (1838) was expanded to serve as a country estate.

The main house of the estate is a free adaptation of a type of rural architecture common in Lake Township--white frame buildings, Greek Revival in feeling, featuring corner pilasters and heavy entablatures with gable-end returns. The original farmhouse was incorporated into the enlarged structure and now forms the southeast wing of the present house. Its east facade has been extended to form one of two solariums with multiple lights (the second is in the lower level, facing southwest).

The northeast, or front, facade features the Greek Revival theme in successive gableend oriented wings linked by a north/south oriented central block. Gabled dormers with Greek Revival features project from the entablatures of the main block on the west elevation and from several of the wings. The building features four painted brick chimneys with a suggestion of corbelling on the caps. Windows on the first two stories are 6/6 or 9/9 double-hung and are, in most cases, shuttered. Most of the entries are covered with semi-arcaded porches; at least one features classical pilasters and sidelights and several, suggesting the eclectic nature of domestic architecture of the period, feature multi-lighted French doors.

The property includes several adjacent buildings whose features replicate those of the main house. To the southwest is a guest cottage; across the drive and north of this building is the office-kennel-carriage house. One-half mile northwest is a later dwelling built as a wedding present for the original owner's son.

The interior of the main structure is typical of country houses built in garden developments and on early suburban estates for people of means. A paneled library, a formal dining room with hand-painted murals, well-appointed baths and kitchen, and large wine cellar (reputed to have seen the owners nicely through Prohibition) all suggest the quality of life lived by the wealthy in the pre-Depression years.

8. Significance

Period prehistoric 1400–1499 1500–1599 1600–1699 1700–1799 1800–1899 1900–	Areas of Significance—C archeology-prehistoric archeology-historic agriculture x architecture art commerce communications	community planning conservation economics education engineering exploration/settlement industry	Iandscape architecture law literature military music philosophy politics/government	 science sculpture social/ humanitarian theater transportation
		invention		other (specify)

Specific dates 1929

Builder/Architect unknown as yet

Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

The H. B. Stewart property is significant as a composite of two architectural impulses-the eclectic revival mode practiced in architect-designed elite dwellings of the 1920's as interpreted, uniquely here, through what is essentially a local house type, the vernacular Greek Revival or "Western Reserve" style. It is significant, as well, in that it translates the financial success of east-central Ohio business magnates into dwellings presumed appropriate to their station.

The so-called Western Reserve house of the 1830-60 period is found in diminishing quantities as one moves south into the Pennsylvania-German settlements along and east of the Tuscarawas River Valley where brick "German Federal" structures are more common. Nevertheless, although Stark County lies south of the southern boundary of the old Connecticut Western Reserve Lands, Lake Township, along the county's northern tier, has a relatively large number of Greek Revival structures, a factor that makes the Stewart property's interpretation of this type particularly interesting. Rather than follow fashion and create a foreign Revival-style house (Tudor-, Norman-, whatever) of the sort usually deemed best for wealthy clients, the architect chose to "go native" and base his design on a housing type peculiar to the area.

The property was built by Harry Bartlett Stewart, a railroad man who was born in Freeport, Ohio, in 1865 and began his career in New Philadelphia and Canton as a telegrapher, travelling auditor, and passenger agent for the Wheeling and Lake Erie Railroad. He began the study of law in the 1890's, and having come to the attention of William McKinley, he managed the railroad aspects of McKinley's Canton-based Front Porch campaign in 1898, thereafter practicing law in Canton from 1900 to 1918.

Stewart became involved in the organization of what was to become the Akron, Canton, and Youngstown Railroad in 1908, a line descended from several earlier lines (Pittsburgh, Akron, and Western--1883-1891; Akron, Medina, and Delphos--1891-95; and Northern Ohio--1895-1920). Having become president of the line in 1912 and because most of the investors were from Akron, Stewart moved the general offices of the road to Akron in 1921.

At its zenith, the Akron yard of the Akron, Canton, and Youngstown could handle 800 cars and it had 2 freight stations and 24 locomotives. It employed 500 people locally and represented a peak investment of \$5,000,000. Stewart was made a trustee in 1933 and also served as president of both the Akron Chamber of Commerce and the Akron Better Business Bureau.

9. Major Bibliographical References

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Heald, E. T., The Stark County Story (Canton: Stark County Historical Society, 1949)

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city or town Canton		S	tate Ohio 44702	
12. State His	storic Pres	ervation	Officer Cer	tification
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As the designated State Histor 665), I hereby nominate this pr according to the criteria and p	operty for inclusion in t	he National Register	and certify that it has be	een evaluated
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For HCRS use only I hereby certify that this	property is included in	the National Register		
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The decision of this successful businessman to build an estate in rural Stark County-as, in effect, a suburban outpost of Akron--is a case of one era overtaking another. Even into the 1920's the region was a swampy muckland made fruitful for truck farming only through an agressive program by individual farmers who literally wrestled the Hartville Swamp into productivity over a 50-year period beginning in the late 1870's by hand-ditching and filling road beds with the stumps of tamarack trees. In the Stewart Property, then, one finds represented the early stages of the suburbanization of truck farms even before the latter had had a chance to establish their economic hegemony. Thus, an eclectic, suburban reinterpretation of an older, rural farm, the Stewart property brings, elegantly but ironically, two centuries together.



Stewart, Harry B. Property Rear elevation Hartville, Stark,OH



Stewart, Harry B. Property East elevation (with Brumbaugh House in foreground) Hartville, Stark,OH Photo: M. Reeb Date: 1981



Stewart, Harry B. Property Additional dwelling Hartville, STark, OH

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Stewart, Harry B. Property Front elevation Hartville, Stark, OH



Stewart, Harry B. Property Carriage House Hartville, Stark, OH

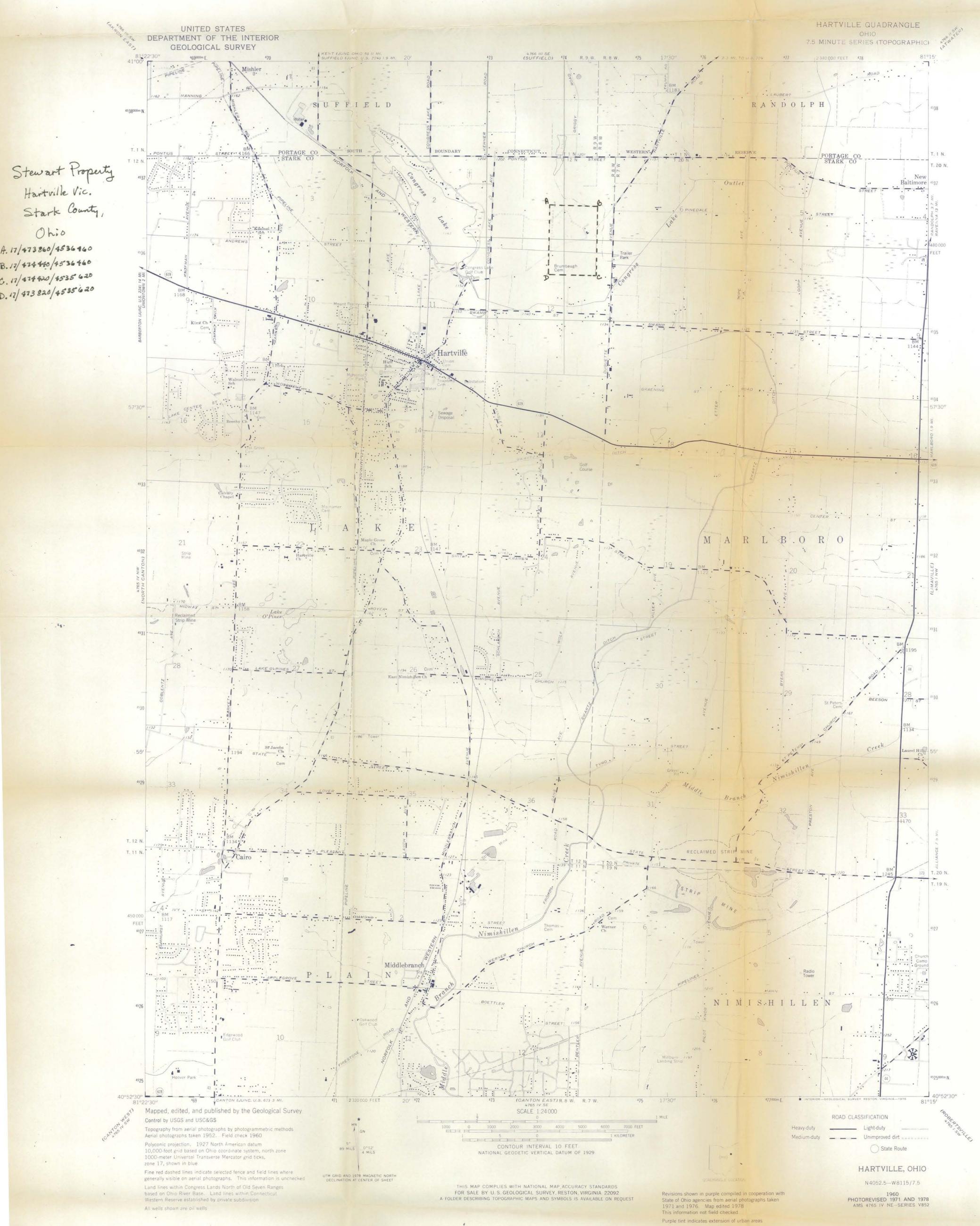


Stewart, Harry B. Property Guest House Hartville, Stark, OH Photo: M. Reeb Date: 1981



Stewart, Harry B. Property Brumbaugh Cemetery Hartville, Stark, OH

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Note to the record

Additional Documentation: 2018

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1. Name of Property

Historic name: <u>Stewart, Harry Bartlett, Property AMENDMENT</u> Other names/site number: <u>Quail Hollow Park</u> Name of related multiple property listing: MAY 21 2018 Nati. Reg. of Historic Places National Park Service

(Enter "N/A" if property is not part of a multiple property listing

2. Location

Street & number:	13480	Congress Lake Road	(corrected address)
City or town: Ha	tville	State: Ohio	County: Stark
Not For Publicatio	n:	Vicinity: x	

3. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act, as amended,

I hereby certify that this \underline{X} nomination _____ request for determination of eligibility meets the documentation standards for registering properties in the National Register of Historic Places and meets the procedural and professional requirements set forth in 36 CFR Part 60.

In my opinion, the property _X__ meets ___ does not meet the National Register Criteria. I recommend that this property be considered significant at the following level(s) of significance:

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Date

In my opinion, the property meets	does not meet the National Register criteria.
Signature of commenting official:	Date
Title :	State or Federal agency/bureau or Tribal Government

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4. National Park Service Certification

I hereby certify that this property is:

- ____ entered in the National Register
- _____ determined eligible for the National Register
- _____ determined not eligible for the National Register
- removed from the National Register

_other (explain:) amendment accepted

Signature of the Keeper

Date of Action

5. Classification

Ownership of Property

(Check as many boxe Private:	s as apply.)
Public – Local	x
Public – State	
Public – Federal	

Category of Property

(Check only one box.)

Building(s)	x
District	
Site	
Structure	
Object	

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Number of Resources within Property

(Do not include previously li		
Contributing	Noncontributing	buildings
1		sites
		structures
		objects
		Total

Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register <u>6</u>

6. Function or Use Historic Functions (Enter categories from instructions.) DOMESTIC/single dwelling _DOMESTIC/secondary structure LANDSCAPE/garden _FUNERARY/cemetery____

Current Functions (Enter categories from instructions.) LANDSCAPE/park______ RECREATION AND CULTURE/outdoor recreation RECREATION AND CULTURE/museum_____

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7. Description

Architectural Classification (Enter categories from instructions.) LATE 19TH AND 20TH CENTURY REVIVALS/Colonial Revival

Materials: (enter categories from instructions.) Principal exterior materials of the property: _wood, asphalt shingles_____

Narrative Description

(Describe the historic and current physical appearance and condition of the property. Describe contributing and noncontributing resources if applicable. Begin with **a summary paragraph** that briefly describes the general characteristics of the property, such as its location, type, style, method of construction, setting, size, and significant features. Indicate whether the property has historic integrity.)

Summary Paragraph

The original nomination for the Harry Bartlett Stewart Property describes the architectural appearance of all the buildings included within the nomination boundaries. These buildings include: The Big House/Manor House, Carriage House, Maid's Cottage/Guest Cottage, and the Little House and garage located about one half mile northwest of the main cluster of buildings. All of the buildings were built between 1922 and the early 1930s. The original Colonial Revival architectural features remain in the interior and exterior of the buildings. The Big House/Manor House has been carefully and historically restored by the Quail Hollow Volunteer Association. The original nomination includes a small family cemetery associated with early settler Conrad Brumbaugh. The cemetery is located roughly a quarter mile southwest of the Stewart house complex and landscape.

The additional information describes the early twentieth century designed landscape features associated with the property and included within the nomination boundaries. The Harry Bartlett Stewart Property gardens were designed by Warren H. Manning (WHM) in 1928. The style is of the Country Era Place period. The Quail Hollow Volunteer Association's (QHVA) Garden Restoration Committee (GRC) has worked since 2008 to restore the Rock Garden. In 2006, as a

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part of a research project on Manning's work by the Library of American Landscape History (www.lalh.org), Gloria Schreiber, now a member of the Quail Hollow Volunteer Association and Garden Restoration Committee surveyed 16 Manning projects in the Akron area, including the Stewart property. Her ten years of research aided in the restoration of the Rock Garden on the Stewart property and contributed to the recently published book, *Warren H. Manning, Landscape Architect and Environmental Planner* authored by Robin Karson, Director of the Library of American Landscape History (LALH) in Amherst, MA. The Stewart Gardens are profiled in the book.

Narrative Description

The summary will describe the current appearance and historic appearance of the numbered garden areas as indicated on the enclosed site map labelled Exhibit A.

The described designed landscape area is approximately 10 acres surrounding the main building complex as well as the immediate foundation around the Little House. (Currently there is no landscaping around the Little House, future plans would include a 1930s period appropriate landscape design requiring further research for any original design).

AREA 1. ROCK GARDEN – Current (2017) - This area is approximately 115' X 115'. This area is comprised of a hillside rock garden, a waterfall, dry rock bed, a wishing well (restored in 2012), stone paths and stairs, stone boulders throughout and 2 large boulders at the north entrance that historically had an iron gate attached. When the garden was discovered in 2007, it was completely over grown with many of the original trees and shrubs of the WHM design and some volunteer trees. The understory plants were brambles, Bishop's Weed, Boston Ivy, wild daylilies and various weeds. The GRC cleared and uncovered the exposed features and did some excavation to uncover additional features. The GRC used some of the original WHM drawings of the garden areas, historic photos, research found through the LALH project, and oral histories to determine how the garden was designed and undertake the restoration project. All hardscapes in this garden were still in their original locations except the stone walls which had fallen down and were removed by the State of Ohio Department of Natural Resources (ODNR). Currently, the stone stairs (one found in April 2017 was completely intact and required no adjusting), retaining walls, stepping stone paths have been restored and some of the crabapple, pine, spruce, juniper, Weigela, and arborvitae have been replanted. The waterfall has been temporarily repaired and functions on a limited basis.

HISTORICALLY – 1928 – The Rock Garden was planted with approximately 58 plant species. A stone path along front of the Big House leads to the top of the Rock Garden on the west side which was open and free of walls so that the viewer could look down upon the garden. A main stone stair case leads to the bottom of the hillside. To the left of the stairs is the waterfall. No less than 5 openings in this garden lead to other gardens or open lawn areas. Two sides of the Rock Garden's perimeter had stone walls, screen plantings on two sides were to divide and screen the other gardens from each other. Along the east interior stone walls of the Rock Garden were flower beds interspersed with perennials, annuals and bulbs. On the other side of the rock

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wall is a line of crabapples including two that were espaliered to create an entrance (one of those two remains alive). Along the line of crabapples were lilacs, small shrubs and finalized with a groundcover. Parallel with this planting was what is identified as "The Mall", a grass path. A stone bench was built into the stone wall, south of the crabapple arch east entrance. The waterfall is at the top (west border) of the hillside and flows down to a small pool, beyond is a dry rock bed for overflow. Mrs. Stewart would only turn on the waterfall when she had guests. In two places, large flat rocks were laid across the dry rock bed to cross it, one was directly across from the stone boulders that held an iron gate which lead into the Perennial Garden. Also in the Rock Garden area, is the only surviving original elm tree from 88 that were in the WHMs plan.

AREA 2. PERENNIAL GARDEN – Current (2017) – This area is approximately 60' X 230' with the 230' running east and west. This area is currently being used for several purposes. The west border has a line of original pines from the 1928 WHM plan which shades half the garden. The west end is used for picnics and has a fire pit. In 2012, a few original roses were moved from this area to the sunnier Herb Garden. A few other original trees remain including a couple crabapples. In about the center of the garden there is a gazebo built in the 1990s by the volunteers for the purpose of renting for weddings. On the east end of the garden is a still functioning water feature and small pool original to the garden. Stone benches flank each side of the fountain and this third of the Perennial Garden is surrounded by the original stone walls although they have been rebuilt with the originally dried laid stone wall now with mortar joints. (Originally the stone walls in all the garden areas were dry laid.) There is an asphalt path that leads from an original stone arch on the north border, also repaired with added mortar joints, to an original opening in the wall which leads you to the croquet court, now the Herb Garden. The foundation of the walls are still in place where the walls were all the way around, this includes some of foundation stones from two stone walls that separated the Perennial Garden in 3 sections with an opening in the middle of each so that the fountain could be viewed from west end of the garden. Around the stone arch are some original cedar trees and junipers. Behind the NE corner of the stone walls are also some original plantings, long overgrown. The QHVA plans to eventually restore this garden to its original plan.

HISTORICALLY – 1928 – This garden was surrounded and divided into three sections by stone walls. It had a total of 5 entrances. A grass walkway ran from the west end to the east end and the fountain could be viewed from the west border of the garden. Research indicates that the west third of the garden was the perennial section which included roses, where "Mrs. Stewart would plant her vegetables among her perennials."¹ Pictures show long beds running east and west. The center section is the most documented garden. It contained an Herb Garden. One of the original WHM drawings from the family shows the layout in the English Garden style and lists what herbs were planted in the different sections. The north and south sides of this section had a shrub border and on the north side are two trees that are believed to be the two remaining crabapples from historic planting. The east third of the garden was believed to be Mrs. Stewart's

¹ Akron Garden Women's Club, Minutes, August 12, 1930.

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annual section. A historic photo presumably taken in the spring show what appears to be tulips. The drawings also indicate border plantings all the way around this garden.

AREA 3. CROQUET COURT – Current (2017) – This area is approximately 80' X 130'. There is currently an Herb Garden in the exact footprint of the Croquet Court, it is sunken as was the court. The entrance on the north side is in its original location of the stone wall. The west entrance to the Herb Garden is slightly south of the historic stone step entrance of the Croquet Court. A large plant trellis structure is on the south end of the garden and is used for wedding settings. The garden is designed in the traditional herb design of a knot garden, each section is designated for the various uses of herbs, i.e. medicinal, dyes, cooking, etc. It was built in 1986 by the Quail Hollow Herb Society and is maintained by them today.

HISTORICALLY – 1928 – It was part of the garden design by WHM and had a tree and shrub border on the south and east side. It is shown in the WHM drawings and there are several historic photos showing its appearance in the mid-1930s.

AREA 4. BORDER LANDSCAPE AND PLANTINGS – This area is indicated on Exhibit A. It is the area on either side of the driveway approaching the Big House before the curve of the road to the left that runs in front of the house. It also runs along the old road bed south of the open lawn area, east and north of the designed garden areas, as indicated on Exhibit A. WHM would normally screen roads and farmland from view of the house and gardens. He would also create vistas in his designs which is indicated by the open lawn area and so that area could be viewed by the glass porch and stone patio on the back of the house. The area called "The Mall" is a wide grass path that runs from the stone arch on the north garden border to the open lawn area. Wooden benches were placed along the mall for spectators to watch players on the croquet court. HISTORICIALLY – 1928 – Not much has changed in these areas. Most of the screenings are grown but still serve their purpose. Research states that 88 elms were planted in the WHM plan. Historic photos show those elms planted throughout the historic building complex. All but one as mentioned in Area 1 - Rock Garden were lost to Dutch Elm Disease.

AREA 5. FOUNDATION PLANTING AND ELM GROVE – Current (2017) – Some original trees and shrubs survive around the house foundation planting. A few flower beds have been planted over the years while managed by the Ohio Department of Natural Resources at the entrances to the Big House. A butterfly and bird garden with a small waterfall was planted off of the glass porch. Half of the glass porch had two way glass mirrors installed so visitors could view the wildlife without being seen. These flower beds were previously maintained by ODNR or volunteers working as community service projects under supervision of ODNR. When Harry B. Stewart III passed away in August 2015, donations were made to QHVA in his memory. Based on Harry's wish for the Elm Grove to be replanted; Mrs. Stewart III directed the money to be used to restore the grove. This area is located across the drive from the house on the west. A few elms had already been planted in memory of QHVA volunteers who had passed away. In the spring of 2016, 15 elms were purchased with those funds and planted with the assistance of Stark Park employees. Some trees have been planted in Area 5, mostly maple trees to provide some shade.

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HISTORICALLY – 1928 – Area 5's original foundation plantings reflected a simple plan of lilacs, arborvitae, privet, viburnum and elms. A small boulevard with lilacs was located at the north entrance door, as indicated in historic photos. Elms were planted all around the house and on the west side of the drive in front of the house to create a type of "air conditioning" as was common at that time period. A large open area on the hill west of this area would provide ample breeze in the summer, cool as it passed through the elms and enter the house to supply the "air conditioning". Along with the elms were planted pine and spruce trees to give the house protection from the winter winds. The elms added the element of stateliness to the historic overall design of the entire building complex.

Researched documentation verifying the WHM design is from various sources including 5 color drawings by Egbert Hans, Manning's supervisor on the Stewart project, plant lists, construction drawings, correspondence between Mr. and Mrs. Stewart and Manning, historic photos, and oral interviews.

Documentation also indicates designed horse trails, walking paths and horticultural plantings throughout the 700 acres of the property, although are not included in the nominated boundary.

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8. Statement of Significance

Applicable National Register Criteria

(Mark "x" in one or more boxes for the criteria qualifying the property for National Register listing.)

- A. Property is associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history.
- B. Property is associated with the lives of persons significant in our past.
- C. Property embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction or represents the work of a master, or possesses high artistic values, or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components lack individual distinction.
 - D. Property has yielded, or is likely to yield, information important in prehistory or history.

Criteria Considerations

(Mark "x" in all the boxes that apply.)

- A. Owned by a religious institution or used for religious purposes

x

B. Removed from its original location



- C. A birthplace or grave
- D. A cemetery
- E. A reconstructed building, object, or structure
- F. A commemorative property
- G. Less than 50 years old or achieving significance within the past 50 years

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Areas of Significance (Enter categories from instructions.) _Architecture______ Landscape Architecture

Period of Significance 1914-1940

Significant Dates

Significant Person

(Complete only if Criterion B is marked above.)

Cultural Affiliation

Architect/Builder Manning, Warren H., Landscape Architect____

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Statement of Significance Summary Paragraph (Provide a summary paragraph that includes level of significance, applicable criteria, justification for the period of significance, and any applicable criteria considerations.)

ADDITIONAL HISTORY AND SIGNIFICANCE:

The information provides additional historic information about the Harry Bartlett Stewart Property including the history and development of its historic landscape design and its historic function as a gentleman's farm. Additional context is presented about the property's significance as an example of an early twentieth century Colonial Revival style country estate and as an example of the residential landscape designs of Warren H. Manning. This additional information provides justification for expanding the Period of Significance for the nomination from 1929 to 1914-1940. This span of time reflects the time period when the Stewart's first purchase the property through the development of it as a country estate and gentleman's farm reflected by the construction of the Colonial Revival estate buildings and the design of the landscape and gardens.

The Colonial Revival style Harry Bartlett Stewart Property, including the Main House or Big House, the Carriage House, Maid's House/Guest Cottage, and Little House, and designed landscape and gardens situated in the surrounding rural setting, reflect the gentleman farms and country estate lifestyle adopted by many businessman and industrialists in the rural countryside near Cleveland and Akron during the early twentieth century.

Narrative Statement of Significance (Provide at least **one** paragraph for each area of significance.)

County Estate context

The Harry Bartlett Stewart Property is located in Lake Township in Stark County about 13 miles north of Canton and 18 miles south of Akron. The 702 acres that make up the Quail Hollow Park was settled c.1828 by Conrad Brumbaugh, farmer. An earlier log house, believed to be originally built by the Brumbaugh family, was used by the Stewarts as a country retreat prior to the construction in the 1920s of the estate house and related buildings.

Stark County was part of the area of Northeast Ohio known as the Congress Lands, established by the U.S. Congress, surveyed and opened to white settlement in the early nineteenth century. Lake Township in the northern portion of the county, borders Summit County and the Connecticut Western Reserve. Much of the early nineteenth century architecture of the township shows the influence of the Western Reserve with houses and churches built in the classical Greek Revival style.

Late nineteenth and early twentieth century Colonial Revival architecture borrows from historical styles of America's past, typically eighteenth- and-nineteenth century buildings reflecting classical traditions. The Colonial Revival architecture of the Harry Bartlett Stewart

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Property expresses these Colonial Revival themes and ideas by drawing upon the regional architecture of the Western Reserve. Reportedly an earlier small Greek Revival house located on the Stewart property was incorporated into the early twentieth century design of the Big House, a sprawling white clapboard country house displaying Greek Revival-influenced architectural features in its gable roof with wide classical entablatures, cornice returns and gabled dormers, multi-paned 6/6 and 9/9 double hung wood windows, and classical pilasters. In addition to the Big House, the entire architectural ensemble of carriage house, maid's house/guest house, and the little house are all regional expressions of Colonial Revival style through their similar Greek Revival-influenced architectural details and features.

The Harry Bartlett Stewart Property is an example of a country home of the wealthy class in Northeast Ohio in the early 1900s. At that time period, there was a tendency for prominent businessmen to build summer homes in the picturesque rural countryside near major industrial cities such as Cleveland, Akron, and Canton. A large circular brick barn is all that remains of Henry H. Timken's estate built in 1918-19 on the northwest edge of Canton. The homes of Harvey Firestone (demolished), Cyrus Eaton, and William Frew Long are located in the northern portion of Summit County, between Akron to the south and Cleveland in Cuyahoga County to the north. Industrialist Cyrus Eaton bought an earlier Greek Revival style house in 1912 as a summer home for his family. He developed Acadia Farms, as he called it, as a working farm raising Shorthorn beef cattle and horses. Eaton's farm is about four miles from Longwood Manor, the 1920s Tudor Revival country estate of Clevelander William Frew Long. Longwood Manor would grow to a 365 acre farm run by a farm manager with apple orchards, wheat fields, Shorthorn cattle, and chickens. East of Cleveland, near the communities of Gates Mills and Hunting Valley are the country estates of businessmen E. J. Kulas, Gideon Keyt, and Cleveland industrialist and philanthropist, Jeptha Wade, whose 470 acre gentleman's farm and estate, Valley Ridge Farm, landscape and gardens were designed by landscape architect Warren H. Manning.²

Located roughly half way between his home and work in Canton and business interests in Akron, Harry Bartlett Stewart Sr. purchased the Stark County property in 1914, first using it as a country retreat. By the 1920s the estate had expanded with the addition of the Colonial Revival style main house, carriage house, and maid's cottage. The Stewart's made the property their primary residence by 1929, and it was during this time period that the estate takes on its final historic appearance with the addition of the little house in the early 1930s for Harry Bartlett Stewart, Jr. and his bride, Catherine Seiberling Stewart, and the design of the gardens and landscape.

The Harry Bartlett Stewart gardens are of the American Country Place Era time period and designed by renowned landscape architect Warren H. Manning who studied under Fredrick Law Olmsted, the father of American Landscape Architecture and assisted him on the building of New York's Central Park and Biltmore Estate in North Carolina until embarking on his solo career. The American Country Era design is reminiscent and based on the principles of the

² Karson, Robin, ed., *Warren Manning: Landscape Architect and Environmental Planner*, (Athens, GA: University of Georgia Press, 2017), pp. 282-283.

County Gardens in England. In the mid-nineteenth century Andrew Jackson Downing brought these ideas to America through his landscape designs and publications, such as *Architecture of Country Houses* published in 1850. This style was embraced by the industrial magnets of the early twentieth century and was an outlet to save, preserve and enjoy the natural American Landscape to its fullest which was Manning's goal with all his commissions. Manning had over 1700 designs to his credit in America and Canada, including several examples of his estates, parks, and community plans in Ohio.

Manning's work as it relates to the Stewart property begins on September 27, 1928 in a letter to Manning from Frank A. Seiberling's secretary. (F.A. Seiberling, Co-founder of Goodyear Tire and his home is Stan Hywet Hall and Gardens (landscape designed by Manning) in Akron, Ohio.) In that letter he states "Mr. H.B. Stewart of this city – a friend of Mr. Seiberling's – had some landscaping work to be done, and Mr. Seiberling is arranging for Mr. Warren H. Manning to see Mr. Stewart also on Tuesday."³

Five key areas of the landscape on the Stewart property reflect the landscape design characteristics of Manning. These features are summarized below and are marked on the enclosed site map labelled Exhibit A.

- 1. Rock Garden currently being recreated to the 1929 design. It features a waterfall, a small pooling area and dry rock bed for overflow as well as a wishing well that has been completely restored to its original specifications. It has meandering stone paths and steps throughout. Most of the original stones and boulders remained and have been reset in their original locations. Low retaining walls have also been restored.
- 2. Perennial Garden This garden was divided originally by stone walls into 3 sections. Most of the walls are gone except on the east end of the garden which also includes a fountain original to the garden. Currently it has a fire pit/picnic area on the west end and a gazebo in the center section built in the late 1980's. Future plans include restoring it.
- 3. Croquet Court (Herb Garden) About 1984 the Quail Hollow Herb Society committee was formed through the Quail Hollow Volunteer Association and built an herb garden in the foot print of the croquet court. That garden is maintained as such today.
- 4. Border Landscaping This area was planted with trees and shrubs and surrounded the 3 main gardens as well as outlying areas around the lawn areas of the houses. Future restoration would be considered. Approximately 10-15 acres.
- 5. Foundation Plantings and Elm Grove These plantings still have original plant material that was planted in 1929-1930 and plantings from the state park era. This area also would be included in future restoration. The Elm Grove is an area in front of the Big House that was designed by Manning. It also included evergreens. It is vital to the overall design of the house plantings as it sets the stage for what is planted around the

³ Harry Bartlett Stewart, Sr. was a friend of Frank A. Seiberling, who was an uncle to Stewart's daughter-in-law, Catherine, the daughter of Charles W. Seiberling, co-founder of Goodyear Tire and Rubber Co. and brother of F.A. Seiberling.

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Name of Property house. Restoring the elm planting was began a number of years ago. In the spring of 2016, 15 more elms were planted from a memorial fund created in memory of Harry B. Stewart III.

The Stewart property was a true "gentleman's farm". The late 1920s into the early 1940s is the period of significance of the gardens. The gardens where used in more than a social aspect. Mrs. Stewart planted her vegetables among the flowers in the Perennial Garden as noted in the minutes of the Akron Garden Women's Club of August 12, 1930. Both Mrs. Stewart Sr. and Jr. was presidents of the Akron Garden Club numerous times. Mr. Stewart, Sr. raised racing horses, later Mrs. Stewart, Jr. bred and raised Cairn Terriers dogs. The farm was a working farm with cattle, pigs and various other farm animals. The outlying areas of fields was used for corn, wheat, etc. all of which are now wooded with native species of plant material. A larger vegetable garden was in the area of the Little House and provide the family with fresh produce. For a brief time in the mid-1930s, three generations of Stewarts lived on the property until the death of Mr. Stewart, Sr. The Stewart's time period reflects a unique style of that Country Era style.

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- _____ preliminary determination of individual listing (36 CFR 67) has been requested
- <u>X</u> previously listed in the National Register
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- X____ State Historic Preservation Office
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Additional Documentation

Submit the following items with the completed form:

- **Maps:** A **USGS map** or equivalent (7.5 or 15 minute series) indicating the property's location.
- **Sketch map** for historic districts and properties having large acreage or numerous resources. Key all photographs to this map.
- Additional items: (Check with the SHPO, TPO, or FPO for any additional items.)

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Submit clear and descriptive photographs. The size of each image must be 1600x1200 pixels (minimum), 3000x2000 preferred, at 300 ppi (pixels per inch) or larger. Key all photographs to the sketch map. Each photograph must be numbered and that number must correspond to the photograph number on the photo log. For simplicity, the name of the photographer, photo date, etc. may be listed once on the photograph log and doesn't need to be labeled on every photograph.

Photo Log

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County: Stark State: Ohio

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Description of Photograph(s) and number, include description of view indicating direction of camera:

1 of 15. West view of Big House, Maid's Cottage/Guest House, Carriage House, looking east

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- 3 of 15. Big House, north elevation, looking south
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- 5 of 15. Carriage House, south elevation, looking northwest
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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES United States Department of the Interior National Park Service EVALUATION / RETURN SHEET Property: Stewart, Harry Bartlett, Property Working No. 3 Fed. Reg. Date: 2-7-83 State, County: OH, Stark Date Due: +/29/82 Federal Agency:_ stine ask SdN 101 - ACCEPT_4/24/82 Action: _ resubmission RETURN nomination by person or local government REJECT _ owner objection photos_ ___appeal maps_ Substantive Review: _ request ___ appeal ___ NR decision L sample railroad industrialist is Reviewer's comments: 1929 Estate of requisicant for its collection of newval architectured based on regional ly sunchcall "Western Reserve" mode of Greek Devival Infact, 1838 farmhouse is incorporated, 110 1929 Recom. / Criteria assemblage of temple Reviewer Amen gables, MacDorafd, dorme Discipline_ connerboardas, Ac, Several Date _____ Ah other contributing structures see continuation sheet carline hourd. aus mclude and addit duel UNDE LAN Nomination returned for: technical corrections cited below substantive reasons discussed below 1. Name /2. Location 3. Classification Bintus resent Use Public Acquisition 4. Owner of Property 5. Location of Legal Description 6. Representation in Existing Surveys has this property been determined eligible? ____ yes ____ no 7. Description unexp ribe the present and original (if known) phys summary paragraph completeness Clarity alterations/integrity Acneage selection should have been mane ✓ dates boundary selection

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Ms. Carol Shull Acting Keeper National Register of Historic Places National Park Service 440 G Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20240

Dear Ms. Shull:

Enclosed are 16 new National Register nominations and four resubmissions. All appropriate notification procedures have been followed for the new nominations and they have been approved by the state review board.

New Nominations	County
Garst, John, House	Ashland
Kelly, O.S., Cottage and House	Clark
Valley Dale Ballroom	Franklin
Hulbert House and	
McAlpin Bridal Cottage	Hamilton
Salem Methodist Church Complex	Hamilton
Grand Lake St. Marys Light House	Mercer
Denison, William, House	Muskingum
Tavener-Sears Tavern	Muskingum
Oak Grove School	Pickaway
Crafts, William, House	Portage
Jackson Center Multiple	
Resource Area	Shelby
Port Jefferson School	Shelby
Stewart, Harry Bartlett, Property	Stark
Butler, Charles, House	Warren
Britton, James F., Farm	Wayne
Old Wayne County Jail	Wayne
Floral Hall	Wood

We are recommending that the Oak Grove School receive a substantive review because of its current condition.

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Resubmissions	County
Crittenden Farm	Ashland
Hotel Breakers	Erie
McCune's Villa	Licking
Park Avenue West Multiple	
Resource Area	Richland

Please let me know if we can answer any questions.

Sincerely,

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W. Ray Luce State Historic Preservation Officer

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May 10, 2018

J. Paul Loether, Deputy Keeper and Chief, National Register and National Historic Landmark Programs National Park Service National Register of Historic Places Mail Stop 7228 1849 C St, NW Washington, D.C. 20240

Dear Mr. Loether:

Enclosed please find one (1) new National Register nomination and one (1) National Register amendment for Ohio. All appropriate notification procedures have been followed for the nomination submissions.

NEW NOMINATION Battle of Berlin Heights Engagement Site COUNTY Jackson

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION Stewart, Harry Bartlett, Property Amendment COUNTY Stark

The enclosed disks contain the true and correct copy of the additional information to the National Register of Historic Places for the following: <u>Stewart, Harry Bartlett, Property</u> <u>Amendment, Stark County.</u>

We are requesting a substantive review for the Battle of Berlin Heights Engagement Site to confirm our application of National Register Criterion D for this property.

The Stewart, Harry Bartlett, Property Amendment provides additional information about the early 20th designed landscape features of the property, expands the Period of Significance to reflect the significance of the property, and corrects the address for the property. The boundaries for the property remain the same as in the original nomination.

If you have questions or comments about these documents, please contact the National Register staff in the Ohio Historic Preservation Office at (614) 298-2000.

Sincerely,

Barbara Over

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Enclosures



NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES NPS TRANSMITTAL CHECK LIST

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The following materials are submitted on <u>May II, 2018</u> For nomination of the <u>Stewart, Harry Bartlett</u> to the National Register of Historic Places: <u>Property</u>, <u>Amendment</u>, Stark-Cc, Old Original National Register of Historic Places nomination form

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

Requested Action:	Additional Documentation		
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