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FORM B - BUILDING

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
80 BOYLSTON STREET
BOSTON, MA 02116

| AREA | FORM NO. |
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| D | 444 |

Town SouthbridgeAddress 201 South StreetHistoric Name Clarke-Glover FarmhouseUse: Present residentialOriginal residential

DESCRIPTION

Date ca. 1830Source local history, mapsStyle Greek RevivalArchitect UNKNOWNExterior Wall Fabric synthetic sidingOutbuildings none; iron fence and fountain (NC)Major Alterations (with dates) ca. 1850 rear addition of screened porch and living spaceCondition ExcellentMoved No Date n/aAcreage one acre or lessSetting residential

Sketch Map: Draw map showing property's location in relation to nearest cross streets and/or geographical features. Indicate all buildings between inventoried property and nearest intersection(s).
Indicate north

UTM REFERENCE 18/744 390/4662 240USGS QUADRANGLE Southbridge Mass ConnSCALE 1:25,000Recorded by E. Woodford, S. Ceccacci ed. S. CeccacciOrganization Southbridge Historical CommissionDate May 1986

NATIONAL REGISTER CRITERIA STATEMENT (if applicable)

The Clarke-Glover House is significant for its association with Southbridge's persistent agricultural economy and its regionally important gable-front, Greek Revival form. It meets National Register criteria A and C at the local level and retains integrity of setting, location, workmanship, design, feeling, and association. The boundaries indicated on the attached assessors map are those of current ownership.

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

Said to have been altered from its original (ca. 1830's) appearance, this fine, broadly proportioned Greek Revival house may have been built as a Federal style house with entrance in the four bay side and similar to the George Sumner House (form #A-154) (ca. 1812-1830) on Paige Hill Road.

The elaborate Greek Revival ornament which distinguishes the house in its present form includes a matchboard facade pediment, heavy cornices, a wide frieze with architrave, paneled corner pilasters and pedimented first floor window caps. The entrance is accented with a heavy doorframe, 3/4 sidelights and a broad transom. The asymmetrical placement of the windows and entrance toward the left side of the facade may be the result of a change from a four bay to a three bay treatment when the house was remodeled. The ample lawn and large trees together with

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

The "Glover Place" was referred to in a remark *in the late-19th c./early-20th c.* Quinebaug Historical Society Leaflets as "an old landmark...remodeled to some extent." According to this same source, it was earlier known as the Lemuel Clarke house. The first settler on the property was said to have been Moses Clarke, *no earlier settlers are documented.* The Southbridge Vital Records lists daughters being born to Lemuel Clark (sic) in 1815 and 1817 and the death of his wife, Sally, age 72, in 1845. This information and the result of a study of maps for the period suggest that Clark may have built the house after 1830 and lived here until sometime after 1845. The smaller house at the rear of the property, now on Glover Street (see form #D-456), may have been the original house of Moses Clark. It would have been built after 1796, as it does not appear on the 1812 map made from a 1796 survey. Only one house in this general location is seen on the 1830 map. Therefore, the present Glover house may have been built shortly after 1830 by Clark and remodeled around mid-century by Glover. R. Glover is shown as the owner on the 1855, 1870 and 1878 maps of both houses.

In 1878 the property included 40 undeveloped acres. Sometime during the 1880's or 1890's an extension of High Street and Glover Street were cut through the property. By 1898 it had been extensively developed. The house lot of the Glover house had been reduced to its present size and the A. H. Wheeler House (form #D-463) had been built just to the west.

(See Continuation Sheet)

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maps, atlases

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Leaflets of the Quinebaug Historical Society, Vol. I, #4, p. 45

Holbrook, Southbridge Vital Records to 1850, pp. 61,62

INVENTORY FORM CONTINUATION SHEET

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
Office of the Secretary, Boston

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| Community: MRA Southbridge | Form No: D-444 |
| Property Name: Clarke-Glover Farmhouse 201 South Street | |

Indicate each item on inventory form which is being continued below.

HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE (cont'd)

This section of South Street is known to have been settled with scattered farmhouses as early as 1796. South Street, between High and West Streets, *was developed* in the early to mid-19th century, first as a neighborhood of established families and later *included* industrialists and successful merchants. Located on the outskirts of the more thickly settled section of Globe Village, it was typified in the mid-19th century by scattered houses in a semi-rural setting. During the late-19th and early-20th century, vacant lots along South Street were filled and open land south of it was developed mostly with middle income houses.

ARCHITECTURAL SIGNIFICANCE (cont'd)

a simple iron fence and a Victorian style fountain (apparently not original) all lend an air of mid-19th century authenticity to the grounds.

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United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service

National Register of Historic Places
Continuation Sheet

Section number _____ Page _____

Multiple Resource Area
Thematic Group

Name Southbridge MRA
State Worcester County, MASSACHUSETTS

Nomination/Type of Review

Date/Signature

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| 11. Building at 38--42 Worcester Street Entered in the National Register | Keeper <u>Helene Byer</u> 6/22/89 Attest _____ |
| 12. Building at 52 Main Street Entered in the National Register | Keeper <u>Helene Byer</u> 6/22/89 Attest _____ |
| 13. Central Mills Historic District Entered in the National Register | Keeper <u>Helene Byer</u> 6/22/89 Attest _____ |
| 14. Chamberlain--Bordeau House Entered in the National Register | Keeper <u>Helene Byer</u> 6/22/89 Attest _____ |
| 15. Chapin Block Entered in the National Register | Keeper <u>Helene Byer</u> 6/22/89 Attest _____ |
| 16. Cheney, Alpha M. House Entered in the National Register | Keeper <u>Helene Byer</u> 6/22/89 Attest _____ |
| 17. Cheney, J.M., Rental House Entered in the National Register | Keeper <u>Helene Byer</u> 6/22/89 Attest _____ |
| 18. Clarke--Glover Farmhouse Entered in the National Register | Keeper <u>Helene Byer</u> 6/22/89 Attest _____ |
| 19. Cliff Cottage Entered in the National Register | Keeper <u>Helene Byer</u> 6/22/89 Attest _____ |
| 20. Cole, E., Merritt, House Entered in the National Register | Keeper <u>Helene Byer</u> 6/22/89 Attest _____ |

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

REQUESTED ACTION: NOMINATION

PROPERTY NAME: Clarke--Glover Farmhouse

MULTIPLE NAME: Southbridge MRA

STATE & COUNTY: MASSACHUSETTS, Worcester

DATE RECEIVED: 5/15/89 DATE OF PENDING LIST: 5/31/89
DATE OF 16TH DAY: 6/16/89 DATE OF 45TH DAY: 6/29/89
DATE OF WEEKLY LIST:

REFERENCE NUMBER: 89000536

NOMINATOR: STATE

REASONS FOR REVIEW:

APPEAL: N DATA PROBLEM: N LANDSCAPE: N LESS THAN 50 YEARS: N
OTHER: N PDIL: N PERIOD: N PROGRAM UNAPPROVED: N
REQUEST: N SAMPLE: N SLR DRAFT: N NATIONAL: N

COMMENT WAIVER: N

ACCEPT RETURN REJECT 6/22/89 DATE Entered in the
National Register

ABSTRACT/SUMMARY COMMENTS:

RECOM./CRITERIA _____
REVIEWER _____
DISCIPLINE _____
DATE _____

DOCUMENTATION see attached comments Y/N see attached SLR Y/N

CLASSIFICATION

___ count ___ resource type

STATE/FEDERAL AGENCY CERTIFICATION

FUNCTION

___ historic ___ current

DESCRIPTION

___ architectural classification
___ materials
___ descriptive text

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

BIBLIOGRAPHY

GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

___ acreage ___ verbal boundary description
___ UTM's ___ boundary justification

ACCOMPANYING DOCUMENTATION/PRESENTATION

___ sketch maps ___ USGS maps ___ photographs ___ presentation

OTHER COMMENTS

Questions concerning this nomination may be directed to

_____ Phone _____

Signed _____ Date _____



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Southbridge, MA MA

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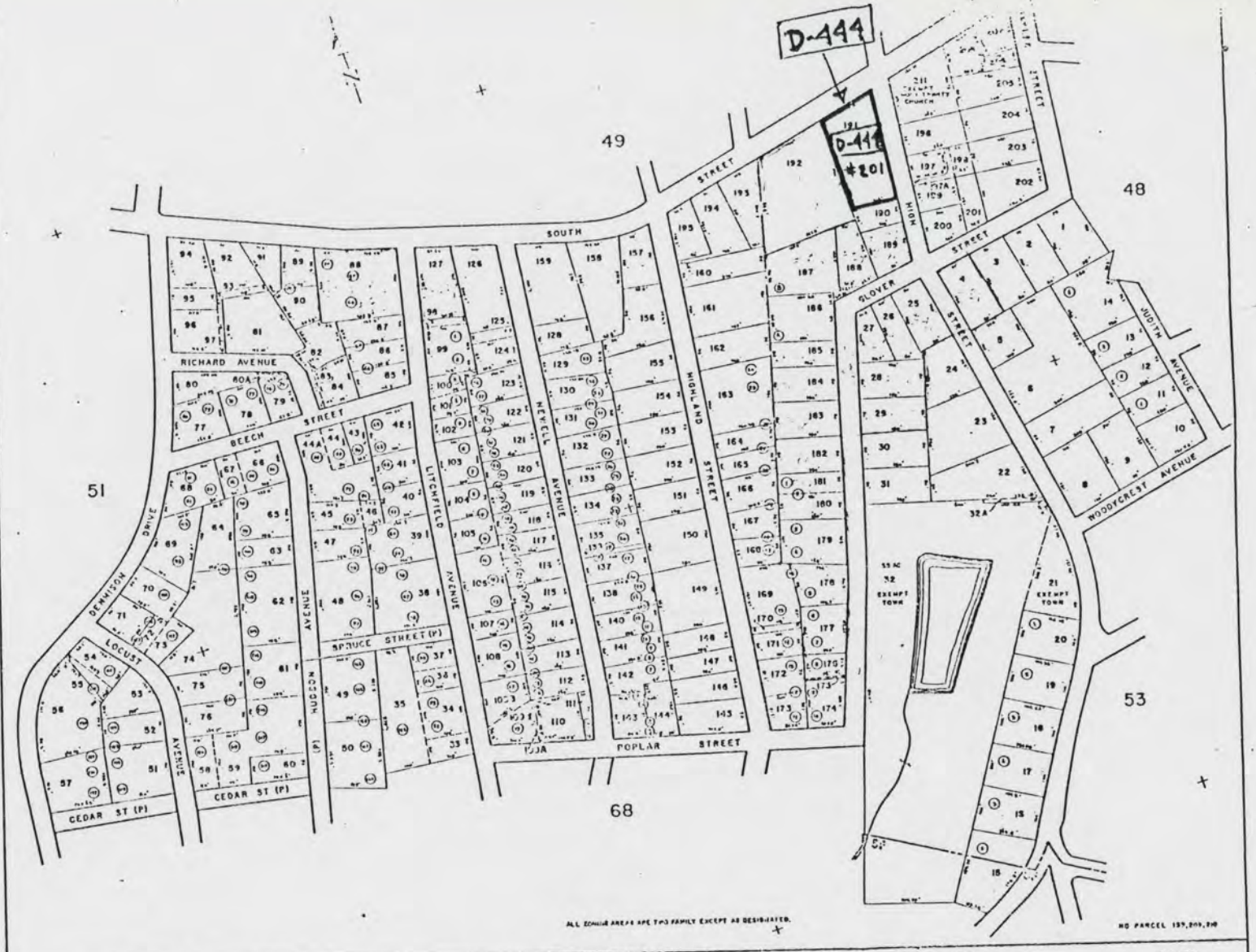
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AUBURN, MAINE
1971

SOUTHBIDGE, MASS.

SCALE IN FEET
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NO PARCEL 197, 201, 202

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201 South Street

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

Multiple Property Cover Sheet Reference Number: 64000294