

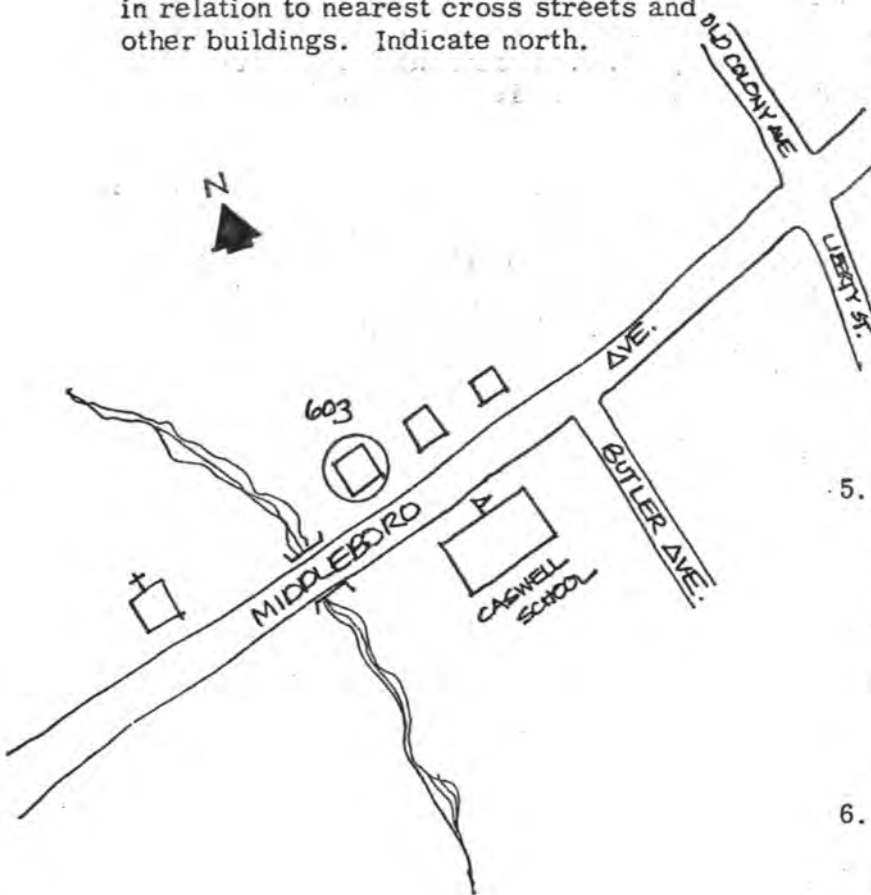
FORM B - BUILDING

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION  
Office of the Secretary, State House, Boston

In Area no.	Form no. 603
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2. Photo (3x3" or 3x5")  
Staple to left side of form  
Photo number \_\_\_\_\_

4. Map. Draw sketch of building location  
in relation to nearest cross streets and  
other buildings. Indicate north.



1. Town Taunton ✓  
Address Middleboro Ave. ✓  
Name E. Taunton Fire Station ✓  
Present use Fire/Police Stations;  
Library  
Present owner City of Taunton

3. Description:  
Date 1899  
Source Date Plaque  
Style Queen Anne/Colonial  
Revival  
Architect Unknown  
Exterior wall fabric Brick  
Outbuildings (describe) None  
Other features See attached.  
Altered Doors replaced Date 20th. C.  
Moved No Date \_\_\_\_\_

5. Lot size: WARD - 4 <sup>P.L.B</sup> BLK - 29A LOT - 52A  
One acre or less x Over one acre \_\_\_\_\_  
Approximate frontage 53'  
Approximate distance of building from street  
40'

6. Recorded by T.W.  
Organization T.C.H.S.  
Date 10/29/79

(over)

UTM: 19/331260/4638490

7. Original owner (if known) City of Taunton  
 Original use Fire Station  
 Subsequent uses (if any) and dates \_\_\_\_\_

8. Themes (check as many as applicable)

Aboriginal	_____	Conservation	_____	Recreation	_____
Agricultural	_____	Education	_____	Religion	_____
Architectural	_____	Exploration/ settlement	_____	Science/ invention	_____
The Arts	_____	Industry	_____	Social/ humanitarian	_____
Commerce	_____	Military	_____	Transportation	_____
Communication	_____	Political	_____		_____
Community development	<u>x</u>				

9. Historical significance (include explanation of themes checked above)

The East Taunton Fire Station is the last of the City's stations constructed in the 19th century. The Village of East Taunton, which had grown from a small railroad settlement to a populated center by the turn-of-the-century, lobbied for the construction of a new Fire Station near its village nucleus on Middleboro Ave. The building, constructed in 1899, replaced a rented facility, owned by P.H. Corr, and situated elsewhere in a more remote area of town, which had housed the "Old Colony Engine Company."

Description: The station, of brick, features a roughly rectangular plan and a hipped roof. Its two engine bays are located in the last two bays of its 5-bay facade. Its irregular fenestration includes segmental-arched windows that are both paired and singly placed, and have rock-faced stone sills. Projections on the structure include a first story bay window, roof dormer, and hose tower.

The East Taunton Fire Station possesses integrity of location, design, setting, materials, workmanship and association. It meets criteria A and C of the National Register of Historic Places for its historical association with the expansion of municipal services and the growth of East Taunton at the end of the 19th century and as a distinguished local example of late Victorian public institutional architecture.

*Boundaries conform to current lot lines.*

10. Bibliography and/or references (such as local histories, deeds, assessor's records, early maps, etc.)

Municipal Records, 1892

**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 Taunton Multiple Resource Area  
State Bristol County, MASSACHUSETTS

Nomination/Type of Review

Date/Signature

21. Dean, George, House Entered in the  
National Register

*for* Keeper Melores Byers 7-5-84  
Attest \_\_\_\_\_

22. Dean-Hartshorn House Entered in the  
National Register

*for* Keeper Melores Byers 7-5-84  
Attest \_\_\_\_\_

23. Dean, Jonathan, House Entered in the  
National Register

*for* Keeper Melores Byers 7-5-84  
Attest \_\_\_\_\_

24. Dean, Lloyd, House Entered in the  
National Register

*for* Keeper Melores Byers 7-5-84  
Attest \_\_\_\_\_

25. Dean, Theodore, House Entered in the  
National Register

*for* Keeper Melores Byers 7-5-84  
Attest \_\_\_\_\_

26. East Taunton Fire Station Entered in the  
National Register

*for* Keeper Melores Byers 7-5-84  
Attest \_\_\_\_\_

27. Eldridge House Entered in the  
National Register

*for* Keeper Melores Byers 7-5-84  
Attest \_\_\_\_\_

28. Fairbanks-Williams House Entered in the  
National Register

*for* Keeper Melores Byers 7-5-84  
Attest \_\_\_\_\_

29. Field, Albert, Tack Company Entered in the  
National Register

*for* Keeper Melores Byers 7-5-84  
Attest \_\_\_\_\_

30. Fuller-Dauphin Estate Entered in the  
National Register

*for* Keeper Melores Byers 7-5-84  
Attest \_\_\_\_\_

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES  
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

East Taunton Fire Station (Taunton MRA)  
Bristol County  
MASSACHUSETTS

Working No. MAY 21 1984

Fed. Reg. Date: 2.5.85

Date Due: 6/2/84 - 7/5/84

Entered in the  
National Register

Action:  ACCEPT 7-5-84

RETURN

REJECT

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
- 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

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**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

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**9. Major Bibliographical References**

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**10. Geographical Data**

Acreage of nominated property \_\_\_\_\_  
Quadrangle name \_\_\_\_\_  
UTM References \_\_\_\_\_

Verbal boundary description and justification \_\_\_\_\_

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**11. Form Prepared By**

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**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 \_\_\_\_\_

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**13. Other**

- Maps
- Photographs
- Other

Questions concerning this nomination may be directed to \_\_\_\_\_

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_



E. TAUNTON FIRE STATION  
MIDDLEBORO AV

Taunton MRA, Ma

#603

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by Berkeley

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

Multiple Property Cover Sheet Reference Number: 64000297