

FORM A - AREA

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
294 Washington Street, Boston, MA. 02108

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Town Brookline MRA

Name of area (if any) Fisher Hill

Historic District

General date or period 1890-1920

Sketch map. Draw a general map of the area indicating properties within it. Number each property for which individual inventory forms have been completed. Label streets (including route numbers, if any) and indicate north. (Attach a separate sheet if space here is not sufficient)

SEE ATTACHED

Newton Quadrangle

UTM References:

A: 19/324340/4688300

B: 19/323620/4688060

C: 19/323180/4688340

D: 19/322940/4688920

E: 19/323560/4689020

Acreage: Approximately 150

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ARCHITECTURAL SIGNIFICANCE of area. (Describe physical setting, general character, and architecturally significant structures).

Fisher Hill, once called Mount Vernon or Henshaw Hill, is 240 feet above sea level and is bounded by Boylston Street, Chestnut Hill Avenue, Clinton Road and Sumner Road. Its south side overlooks the Brookline Reservoir, and its summit offers generous views of Brookline and Boston. The area consists primarily of large, free-standing single family residences, most of which were built during the last two decades of the 19th century and early decades of the 20th. There is a public elementary school as well as the classroom, dormitory, and administration buildings of the former Cardinal Cushing College, now occupied by another academic institution. The Longyear Historical Society sits on top on the hill on land once owned by the Longyear family, while the Galen Stone estate, over 11 acres with two mansions, a carriage house, and gatekeeper's cottage is undergoing conversion into a condominium development consisting of restored structures and new attached and free standing single family homes. Two reservoirs, one opened and one covered, are located on the top of the hill, on either side of Fisher Avenue.

HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE of area. (Explain development of area, what caused it, and how it affected community; be specific).

The residential neighborhood of Fisher Hill as we know it today was laid out in 1884 by Frederick Law Olmsted. It received its name from an early 19th century landowner and resident, Francis Fisher, who bought Nathaniel Seaver's property, tore down his house, and built a new one on the site (now also demolished). Like a number of landowners in the area, Fisher was a commission merchant; he worked in the firm of E.S. and F.K. Fisher and J.B. Robinson whose offices were located on Central Wharf in Boston.

Fisher Hill has traditionally been the home of some of Brookline's more illustrious citizens. During the 18th century, Dr. Zabdiel Boylston lived in a house which still stands; it is one of the oldest homes in the town, with a rear ell dating from c. 1660. We know the main part of the house was constructed c. 1736 by Thomas Boylston, Zabdiel's father. Zabdiel gained fame by introducing inoculation against smallpox in 1721, much to the disapproval of the clergy who preferred to view smallpox as God's punishment for man's sinful nature.

Another resident of the area was General Isaac Sparhawk Gardner whose house once stood on Chestnut Hill Avenue. Gardner was the son of Isaac Gardner, said to be the first Brookline citizen slain at the Battle of Lexington. His house was demolished by Samuel Henshaw who built a new house nearby. This house was later purchased by Jacob Pierce, a major figure in the development of Fisher Hill during the last decades of the 19th century.

Property owners and residents of the area during the first half of the 19th

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INVENTORY FORM CONTINUATION SHEET

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Property Name: Fisher Hill Area

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Architectural Significance (con't) (2)

With a few notable exceptions, the area presents a comprehensive collection of late 19th and early 20th century domestic architectural styles: Queen Anne, Shingle, Jacobethan, Colonial, Georgian, and Medieval Revival, and Craftsman. Two houses which do not fall into these categories are 617 Boylston Street, the Boylston-Hyslop-Lee House, which dates from the 1730s; and the Benjamin Goddard House, located at 43 Summer Road. The Goddard House is a fine example of the Federal style, having been built in 1810 with a low hip roof, four end chimneys, and a center entrance portico with slender fluted columns, and delicated fan and sidelights. **

Non-Contributing Properties

The newest construction to be found within this area is a development called Fisher Hill Estates which has incorporated 4 structures from the former Joseph Huntington White/Galen Stone Estate with a series of detached and attached single family homes. The older buildings were: a brick and shingle mansion designed in 1880-1 by Peabody and Stearns in the Queen Anne style and altered in 1914 by Chapman and Frazer to create a more Jacobethan style home; a carriage house, virtually unaltered since its construction in 1880-1, also designed by Peabody and Stearns in a superb and unequalled (in Brookline) expression of the Shingle style; a stone gatehouse, designed in the mid 1890s by Shepley, Rutan, and Coolidge; and a large Georgian Revival style mansion, designed by Little and Russell in 1925-6. The substantial estate was landscaped according to the plans of Frederick Law Olmsted and before the construction began in 1981, much of the design intent was intact. Unfortunately, the sweeping lawns are now dotted with "post-modernist" style structures and a small pond which lay at the bottom of one of the hills is encroached upon by an asphalt driveway leading to some of the new houses. The existing four buildings have been drastically altered on the inside, with the two mansions converted into three units and the carriage house into five. Of all the older structures, the carriage house has been externally altered to the point where the original design is barely recognizable. The two mansions have also undergone exterior changes, including the additions of balconies and attached garages. The gatehouse has been altered, too, but not to the extent of the other structures. For these reasons, although Fisher Hill Estates has been included in the proposed district for its historical significance, its structures and their settings have been determined to be non-contributing properties.

Other non-contributing buildings include the present Fisher College campus; the Montrose School, and a handful of ranch style and "modern" single family homes.

** Architects whose work can be found here include: Chapman and Frazer; Hartwell and Richardson; Clarence Blackall; Kilham and Hopkins; Shepley, Rutan, and Coolidge; Cabot, Everett, and Mead; and Peabody and Stearns.

The Fisher Hill district meets NR criteria A,B, and C, being an example of a planned residential community which developed in Brookline at the time of the Town's rapid suburbanization. It is a fine, intact example of a residential subdivision planned by Frederick Law and John Charles Olmsted; was home to such illustrious citizens as Galen Stone, Joseph Huntington White; John Longyear; Robert Andrews; Erich Leinsdorf; Arthur Fiedler; and Arthur Rotch; and contains many well preserved examples of late 19th century domestic architectural styles; Queen Anne, Shingle, Colonial and Medieval Revival, and Craftsman.

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century included the heirs of Samuel Hammond; John Hayden, second husband of Jane Hyslop whose first husband, David, had been an owner of the Boylston house; Thomas Perkins, the merchant (who lived on Warren Street); and W.A. Humphrey, a farmer who lived on Newton Street. Henry Lee purchased the Hyslop estate in 1850; Lee was a partner in Lee, Higginson, the largest brokerage and banking house in Boston. Fisher Hill remained relatively undeveloped until the 1880's. Until that time, it consisted of large estates, like those belonging to Joseph White (535 Boylston Street) and to Henry Lee (617 Boylston Street). It is interesting to note that 33 and 83 Leicester Street were probably once part of the latter estate.

In 1884 the major landowners on the hill were Jacob Pierce; Joseph Huntington White; Arthur Rotch; the Goddard Land Company; Thomas Lee, son of Henry; and the heirs of Francis Fisher. Representatives of two of the principal owners wrote to Olmsted, asking him to design a subdivision plan for the hill and the adjoining area north and east of it, now the residential neighborhood south of the railroad tracks. Ernest Bowditch prepared the topographical survey for Fisher Hill, as he often did for Olmsted's projects in Brookline. In the subdivision plan submitted by Olmsted and his partner/step-son John Charles Olmsted, the curvilinear type of plan was used to accommodate the irregular topography of the area. Olmsted's Fisher Hill subdivision is, according to one Olmsted scholar, "a masterpiece of curvilinear planning, and it has become one of Brookline's most attractive and desirable neighborhoods."

Of the six major property owners in the area in 1884, Jacob Pierce was the most active in the development of Fisher Hill. Pierce was born in Newburyport in 1852; he came to Brookline with his father in 1865 and lived in the Henshaw House (demolished) on Chestnut Hill Avenue. In addition to his involvement with the North Star Mining Company, Pierce owned approximately eight million square feet of property on Fisher Hill, some of which had been purchased by his father. This land was bounded by the Fisher Estate to the south; Chestnut Hill Avenue to the west; an aqueduct belonging to the city of Boston to the north; and Arthur Rotch's holdings to the east. It was this area which Pierce and his brother Dean, a stockbroker, developed, sometimes simply selling building lots, and sometimes, particularly during the late 1890's, building houses on speculation. Actually, building the houses was considered an unusual activity for developers at this time; like many speculator/developers in Brookline, however, Pierce lived on part of his estate while subdividing the rest. Many of the houses were rented for a number of years before they were sold.

Among the houses built by Jacob Pierce and/or his brother were: 19 Willard Road; 123 Dean; 195 Fisher Avenue; and 291 and 294 Buckminster Road as well as 255, 271, and 285 Clinton Road and probably 107 and 129 Dean and 261 Clinton Road. In a number of cases, Winslow and Wetherell (and Bigelow), well known architects and perhaps most famous in Brookline for the design of the S.S. Pierce building, were the architects for these houses. In addition to constructing homes, Pierce also laid out roads in the area. Dean, named for his

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brother, was the first, followed by Fisher, Buckminster, Hyslop, Holland, and Druce. Clinton and Buckminster, forming a continuous thoroughfare from Sumner Road to Fisher Avenue, was built in 1888 and were fifty feet wide, creating the elegant, spacious atmosphere which Pierce desired.

Pierce was described in his obituary as a community benefactor who had been determined to maintain Fisher Hill as a "high class" residential section. He repeatedly declined offers of purchase made for parts of his property, lest "he might sell it to someone who would not respect his desire that Fisher Hill remain unblemished by any structure not in harmony with the high character he wished the neighborhood to maintain."

Lots were sold to those who could afford to build houses conforming with the affluent character of the neighborhood. Lawyers, doctors, bankers, brokers, manufacturers, and publishers, many of whom worked in Boston, built their homes on Fisher Hill. By the early 1900's, the area had gained such a reputation that when John Munroe Longyear, a Michigan millionaire had his large, 65 room house moved to Brookline, he chose Fisher Hill to be his neighborhood. (See form N-87) Continuing in this tradition as a neighborhood for distinguished Brookline citizens, the area had, among his residents, Joseph H. White, president of White, Payson, and Company; Arthur Rotch, a partner in the architectural firm of Rotch and Tilden and the creator of the Rotch Travelling Fellowship of the Boston Society of Architects; and Galen Stone, founder of Hayden, Stone, the brokerage house. Henry Whitney, the developer of the West End Street Railway, also lived here, as did such internationally known musicians as Arthur Fiedler, Serge Koussevitsky, Eric Leinsdorf, and Boris Goldovsky.

During the 20th century, Jacob Pierce's wish for a "high class" neighborhood which would be restricted to the construction of residential properties was crystallized into a restrictive agreement. Property owners such as Ralph Stewart and Frank Merrill of Dean Road; Nathaniel Walker of Buckminster Road; and William Ruhl of Druce Street as well as Frederick Emery of Willard Road and Howard Gilmore of Holland Road drew up a covenant which they felt would secure the neighborhood against injury and preserve the rural beauty and open country aspects of their homes and streets.

This covenant, entered into by 165 property owners in the district, was signed in 1914. It ensured their holdings against "deterioration through the construction of apartment houses, two family houses, public garages, stores, and hospitals." Impetus for this legal arrangement came from the development of nearby Aspinwall Hill where "erecting of the wooden triple decker apartment houses and consequent reduction in that section of the value of adjoining or nearby single family dwellings had caused alarm among Fisher Hill residents. The covenant was designed to be valid through 1940; since that time, zoning laws have, in many respects, accomplished much of the intent of the covenant. In addition, the Fisher Hill Neighborhood Association remains an active and influential group; a "watchdog" against undesirable development.

MAP#	ADDRESS	DATE	ARCHITECT	ORIGINAL OWNER	STATUS *
N-92	9 Beecher Rd.	1912-3	Kilham&Hopkins	Longyear	C
N-2	481-503 Boylston St.	1913	F.A. Norcross	Sumner Real Estate	C
	509 Boylston St.	1981	Karlis Grinbergs	Fisher Hill Estates	NC
	511 Boylston St.	1981	Karlis Grinbergs	Fisher Hill Estates	NC
	517 Boylston St.	1981	Karlis Grinbergs	Fisher Hill Estates	NC
	523 Boylston St.	1981	Karlis Grinbergs	Fisher Hill Estates	NC
	525-531 Boylston St.	1981	Karlis Grinbergs	Fisher Hill Estates	NC
	533-39 Boylston St.	1981	Karlis Grinbergs	Fisher Hill Estates	NC
	541-45 Boylston St.	1880-1	Peabody&Stearns	J.H. White	NC
	547-55 Boylston St.	1981	Karlis Grinbergs	Fisher Hill Estates	NC
	557-65 Boylston Street	1881	Peabody and Stearns	J.H. White	NC
	567-71 Boylston Street	1981	Karlis Grinbergs	Fisher Hill Estates	NC
N-1	617 Boylston St.	17thc; 1736	Unknown; Munday	Boylston	C
N-3	15 Buckminster Rd.	1902	Clough and Wadner	Carver	C
	20 Buckminster Rd.	1926	A.J. Halfenstine	Caulfield	C
	28 Buckminster Rd.	1949	Meyer Louis	Bloom	NC
	42 Buckminster Rd.	1948	M. Waters	Flashman	NC
	49 Buckminster Rd.	1888	Peabody&Stearns	Davis	C
	54 Buckminster Rd.	1953	R.I. Williams	Rodin	NC
N-6	62 Buckminster Rd.	1888-9	Peabody&Stearns	Jonathan White	C
N-7	63 Buckminster Rd.	1891	Unknown	Carpenter	C
N-8	67 Buckminster Rd.	1895	Edward Rogers	Richmond	C
	70 Buckminster Rd.	1937	Harry Ramsay	Better Homes Corp.	C
	76 Buckminster Rd.	1937	Harry Ramsay	Better Homes Corp.	C
	79 Buckminster Rd.	1913	Chapman&Frazer	Mann	C
	82 Buckminster Rd.	1937	Harry Ramsay	Better Homes Corp.	C
	90 Buckminster Rd.	1947	Jacob Schultz	Schultz	NC
	95 Buckminster Rd.	1950	Samuel Glazer	Rudnick	NC
	114 Buckminster Rd.				NC
N-9	135 Buckminster Rd.	1893	Unknown	Walker	C
	123 Buckminster Rd.	1889	C.H. Blackall	James	C
	130 Buckminster Rd.	1906	Kilham&Hopkins	Birtwell	C
N-10	133 Buckminster Rd.	1889-90	Cabot, Everett&Mead	Williams	C
	141 Buckminster Rd.	1921	Fink and Fink	Dulinsky	NC
N-11	149 Buckminster Rd.	1900	Chapman&Frazer	G. Stone	C
	150 Buckminster Rd.	1961	Unknown	Micel	NC
N-12	161 Buckminster Rd.	1892	Unknown	Lyman	C
N-13	169 Buckminster Rd.	1891	Rand and Taylor	Taylor	C
N-78	172 Buckminster Rd.	1890-1	C.H. Blackall	Smith	C
	177 Buckminster Rd.	1911	Johnson&Power	Rogers	C
N-77	182 Buckminster Rd.	1891	Hartwell&Richards	Whiting	C
N-14	185 Buckminster Rd.	1891	C.H. Blackall	Blackall	C
	191 Buckminster Rd.	1909	George Parsons	Putney	C
	194 Buckminster Rd.	1891-2	C.H. Blackall	Bacon	C
	201 Buckminster Rd.	1912	Kilham&Hopkins	Fish	C
	206 Buckminster Rd.	1915	Chapman&Frazer	Godfrey	C
	209 Buckminster Rd.	1916	Rowe&Smith	Manning	C
N-76	214 Buckminster Rd.	1900	Chapman&Frazer	Lincoln	C
N-15	219 Buckminster Rd.	1909	Frank C. Brown	Tyler	C
	220 Buckminster Rd.	1913	Haven&Hoyt	Mann	C
	230 Buckminster Rd.	1909	Chapman&Frazer	Callahan	C
N-16	233 Buckminster Rd.	1909	Chapman&Frazer	Beck	C
	236 Buckminster Rd.	1926	G.W. Roscoe	Roscoe	C
	241 Buckminster Rd.	1911	Benjamin Proctor	Gibson	C
N-75	248 Buckminster Rd.	1906	Ernest Boyden	Townsend	C

*C-Contributing Property; NC- Non-Contributing Property

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	249 Buckminster Rd.	1905	Chapman&Frazer	Mann	C
	270 Buckminster Rd.	1902	Kendall,Taylor&Nevens	Talbot	NC
N-61	282 Buckminster Rd.	1912	Chapman&Frazer	Merrill	C
	283 Buckminster Rd.	1909	J. Williams Beal	Cobb	C
N-60	291 Buckminster Rd.	1897	Dabney&Hayward	J. Pierce	C
N-62	294 Buckminster Rd.	1899	Goodwin&Sites	English	C
	297 Buckminster Rd.	1908	Clark&Russell	J. Pierce	C
N-59	305 Buckminster Rd.	1919	Alonzo Wright	Tripp	C
	306 Buckminster Rd.	1947	S.S.Eisenberg	Porder	NC
	309 Buckminster Rd.	1897	Dabney&Hayward	Rich	C
	315 Buckminster Rd.	1910	Lawrence Percival	Percival	C
N-56	337 Buckminster Rd.	1915	Chapman&Frazer	Eaton	C
N-55	345 Buckminster Rd.	1913	Arthur Bowditch	Evatt	C
	348 Buckminster Rd.	1948	Harry Ramsay	Gryzmish	NC
N-54	355 Buckminster Rd.	1912	Harding & Seaver	Stearns	C
	364 Buckminster Rd.	1923	Harry Ramsay	Hardwick	C
	3 Catlin Rd.	1981	Karlis Grinbergs	Fisher Hill Estates	NC
	5 Catlin Rd.	1981	Karlis Grinbergs	Fisher Hill Estates	NC
	12 Catlin Rd.	1922	George Meserve	Scudder	C
	15-19 Catlin Rd.	1925-6	Little&Russell	R. Stone	NC
	29 Catlin Rd	1981	Karlis Grinbergs	Fisher Hill Estates	NC
N-32	452 Chestnut Hill Ave.	1916	R.L. Davidson	Ladd	C
	462 Chestnut Hill Ave.	1912	Benjamin Proctor	Pettengill	C
N-51	474 Chestnut Hill Ave.	1915	Kilham&Hopkins	Spring	C
	540 Chestnut Hill Ave.	1940	Clifford Albright	Sobin	C
N-23	233 Clinton Rd	1909	Harry Ramsay	Codman	C
N-24	239 Clinton Rd	1898	S. Edwin Tobey	Miles	C
	240 Clinton Rd	1898	Edward Rogers	Stevens	C
	245 Clinton Rd.	1898	Henry Bigelow	Pittman	C
	246 Clinton Rd	1900	Edward Rogers	Dyer	C
	249 Clinton Rd.	1908	Kilham&Hopkins	Humphrey	C
	252 Clinton Rd.	1897	Edward Rogers	Tufts	C
N-25	255 Clinton Rd.	1899	Winslow,Wetherell&Bigelow	J. Pierce	C
N-26	261 Clinton Rd.	1898	Henry Bigelow	J. Pierce (?)	C
N-38	262 Clinton Rd.	1898	Hartwell&Richardson	Reed	C
N-27	271 Clinton Rd.	1900	Winslow,Wetherell&Bigelow	J. Pierce (?)	C
	278 Clinton Rd.	1911	F.F. Low	Wilson	C
N-28	285 Clinton Rd.	1901	Winslow&Bigelow	J. Pierce	C
	286 Clinton Rd.	1911	Irving Ireland	Mahler	C
N-29	289 Clinton Rd.	1913	Oscar Johnson	Eaton	C
	292 Clinton Rd.	1897	Edward Rogers	Goodridge	C
	295 Clinton Rf.	1919	Robert Coit	Tripp	C
N-36	300 Clinton Rd.	1919	John Cahill	Fisher Hill Realty	C
	307 Clinton Rd.	1919	George Newton	Tripp	C
	311 Clinton Rd.	1920	Robert Coit	Tripp	C
N-30	319 Clinton Rd.	1921	Robert Coit	Tripp	C
	327 Clinton Rd.	1921	Robert Coit	Tripp	C
	330 Clinton Rd.	1916	R.L. Davidson	Davidson	C
	335 Clinton Rd.	1923	John Cahill	Fisher Hill Realty	C
N-33	338 Clinton Rd.	1916	R.L. Davidson	Davidson	C
	345 Clinton Rd.	1924	Henry Keyes	Keyes	C
N-31	351 Clinton Rd.	1924	Robert Coit	Tripp	C
	357 Clinton Rd.	1928	Harry Ramsay	Sklaver	C
N-22	61 Dean Rd.	1923	Harry Ramsay	Barkin	C
N-21	64 Dean Rd.	1901	A.C. Turner	Morse	C

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N-39	73 Dean Rd.	1901	Hartwell, Richardson & Driver	Stoughton	C
N-20	78 Dean Rd.	1898	E.K. & W.E. Blakie	Richardson	C
N-40	85 Dean Rd.	1897	Chapman, Frazer & Bliss	Mann	C
N-19	86 Dean Rd.	1909	Clark & Russell	Crowley	C
N-18	92 Dean Rd.	1913	S.J. Brown	Mather	C
	93 Dean Rd.	1897	G. Wilton Lewis	William White	C
	96 Dean Rd.	1898	A.C. Turner	Turner	C
N-41	101 Dean Rd.	1897	W.W. Lewis	Clarke	C
	102 Dean Rd.	1907	Kilham, Hopkins & Greeley	Stewart	C
	107 Dean Rd.	1900	Unknown	Appel	C
	110 Dean Rd.	1957	Irving Salsberg	Vogue Construction Co.	NC
N-42	115 Dean Rd.	1897	W.F. Goodwin	Ver Planck	C
N-46	118 Dean Rd.	1897	W.F. Goodwin	D. Pierce	C
N-43	123 Dean Rd.	1897	Dabney & Hayward	J. Pierce	C
N-47	124 Dean Rd.	1906	Alfred Turner	Viles	C
N-44	129 Dean Rd.	1900	Unknown	J. Pierce	C
	130 Dean Rd.	1904	Edwin Lewis	Truette	C
N-49	153 Dean Rd.	1894	William Dabney	Dabney	C
N-57	156 Dean Rd.	1919	E.B. Stratton	Wheeler	C
	163 Dean Rd.	1910	Unknown	Tucker	C
	164 Dean Rd.	1919	S.D. Kelley	Wade	C
	172 Dean Rd.	1914	S.D. Kelley	Clafin	C
	177 Dean Rd.	1915	Benjamin Proctor	Dyer	C
N-53	184 Dean Rd.	1912	Chapman & Frazer	Hoyt	C
N-52	185 Dean Rd.	1912	Harry Ramsay	Piehler	C
	5 Druce St.	1901	Clark & Russell	Washburn	C
	8 Druce St.	1897	Henry Alden	Poor	C
	12 Druce St.	1900	Winslow, Wetherell & Bigelow	J. Pierce	C
N-17	36 Druce St.	1899	Chapman, Frazer & Bliss	Birtwell	C
	43 Druce St.	1908	Ernest Paine	Dunning	C
	25 Fisher Ave.	1950	Royal Barry Wills	De Price	C
	35 Fisher Ave.	1935	Philip Richardson	Perry	C
N-84	42 Fisher Ave.	1906-7	Shepley, Richardson & Coolidge	Bremer	C
N-83	50 Fisher Ave.	1905-6	Andrews, Jaques & Rantoul	Andrews	C
N-82	75 Fisher Ave.	1898	Little & Brown	Mead	C
N-81	117 Fisher Ave.	1885	Unknown	Daland	C
	135 Fisher Ave.	1896	William Peters	Gay	NC
	150 Fisher Ave.	1957	Maginnis, Walsh & Kennedy	Cardinal Cushing Col.	NC
N-68	166 Fisher Ave.	1918	Edward Nichols	Ellery	C
	169 Fisher Ave.	1912	Benjamin Proctor	Burchard	C
	184 Fisher Ave.	1923	Edward Prichard	Fahey	C
N-63	195 Fisher Ave.	1885	Unknown	Pierce Estate	C
N-	200 Fisher Ave.	1949	David Abrahams & Assoc.	Weinbaum	C
N-58	207 Fisher Ave.	1895	Ball & Hayward	Howland	C
N-48	219 Fisher Ave.	1896	Ball & Dabney	Wilkinson	C
N-45	233 Fisher Ave.	1897	Cram, Wentworth & Goodhue	Baldwin	C
N-37	244 Fisher Ave.	1912	S.S. Bemen	Stewart	C
	247 Fisher Ave.	1893-7	Unknown	Cabot	C
	255 Fisher Ave.	1919	John Cahill	Fisher Hill Realty	C
N-35	260 Fisher Ave.	1896	Unknown	Bradlee	C
	266 Fisher Ave.	1917	John Cahill	Fisher Hill Realty	C
N-67	Open Reservoir	c.1884	Arthur Vinal	City of Boston	C
	Covered Reservoir	c.1875	Peabody & Stearns	Town of Brookline	C
	16 Holland Rd.	1960	Cohen and Goldberg	Pollen	NC
	23 Holland Rd.	1890-1	C.H. Blackall	Smith	C

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	24 Holland Rd.	1965	Deck House, Inc.	Rosen	NC
	50 Holland Rd.	1925	Private Plans	Adams	C
	51 Holland Rd.	1916	Chapman&Frazer	Nicholl	C
	59 Holland Rd.	1915	Chapman&Frazer	Godfrey	C
N-80	74 Holland Rd.	1897-8	Unknown	Gay	C
	79 Holland Rd.	1912	Luther Greenleaf	Hazard	C
	90 Holland Rd.	1928	Hawley Morton	Eaton	C
	97 Holland Rd.	1910	Chapman&Frazer	Gilmore	C
N-72	105 Holland Rd.	1915	Chapman&Frazer	Behrend	C
	111 Holland Rd.	1909	Cummings&Howard	DeMerritte	C
N-69	125 Holland Rd.	1898	A.W. Longfellow	Otis	CC
N-79	9 Hyslop Rd.	1911	Harry Bailey Alden	Cook	C
	15 Hyslop Rd.	1913	Luther Greenleaf	Hardy	C
	22 Hyslop Rd.	1912	Irving Ireland	Ireland	C
N-73	29 Hyslop Rd.	1906	Kilham&Hopkins	Endicott	C
	34 Hyslop Rd.	1956	J. Francis Dooley	Bialer	NC
N-74	37 Hyslop Rd.	1905	Chapman&Frazer	Curtis	C
	46 Hyslop Rd.	1909	Gay&Proctor	Emery	C
	52 Hyslop Rd.	1912	Harry Ramsay	Chichester	C
N-71	60 Hyslop Rd.	1922	John Cahill	Fisher Hill Realty	C
	67 Hyslop Rd.	1928	Kilham, Hopkins&Greeley	Hammond	C
N-70	70 Hyslop Rd.	1888	Unknown	Rotch	C
	89 Hyslop Rd.	1907	Chapman&Frazer	Jones	C
N-64	119 Hyslop Rd.	1920	Parker, Thomas&Rice	Hammon	C
	133 Hyslop Rd.	1929	Little&Brown	Chase	C
	146 Hyslop Rd.	1935	Alexander Law	Ellis	C
N-65	147 Hyslop Rd.	1924	John E. Kelley	Duane	C
	154 Hyslop Rd.	1922	John E. Kelley	Pratt	C
N-66	161 Hyslop Rd.	1926	John Banard	Townsend	C
	166 Hyslop Rd.	1915	James Purdon	Osborne	C
	170 Hyslop Rd.	1919	Thomas Hixon	Boyd	C
	201 Hyslop Rd.	1926	Edward Stratton	Curran	C
	23 Leicester St.	1902	H.D. Hale	Head	C
N-86	33 Leicester St.	?	Unknown	Hyslop	C
	45 Leicester St.	1923	Kilham, Hopkins&Greeley	Bremer	C
	55 Leicester St.	1923	Frohmman, Robb&Little	Lloyd	C
N-87	71 Leicester St.	1923	John Banard	Coulon	C
N-88	83 Leicester St.	c. 1790(?)	Unknown	Hyslop	C
	5 Seaver St.	1975	Grinbergs	Grinbergs	NC
	43 Seaver St.	1910	A.W. Kellaway	Taylor	C
	46 Seaver St.	1981	Grinbergs	Fisher Hill Estates	NC
	53 Seaver St.	1909	Thomas James	Taylor	C
	56 Seaver St.	1981	Grinbergs	Fisher Hill Estates	NC
	66 Seaver St.	1981	Grinbergs	Fisher Hill Estates	NC
N-90	73 Seaver St.	1892	Shepley, Rutan&Coolidge	Perkins	C
N-89	80 Seaver St.	1891	Shepley, Rutan&Coolidge	J.H. White	C
	87 Seaver St.	1929	Edward Stratton	Paige	C
N-91	91 Seaver St.	1912	Kilham&Hopkins	Longyear	C
	93 Seaver St.	1912	Kilham&Hopkins	Lockey	C
	99 Seaver St.	1936	James MacNaughton	Potter	C
	105 Seaver St.	1949	Hugh Stubbins	Segal	NC
	111 Seaver St.	1950	Gordon Northrup	Parder	NC
N-85	120 Seaver St.	1890	Unknown	Longyear	C

MAP#	ADDRESS	DATE	ARCHITECT	ORIGINAL OWNER	STATUS
121	121 Seaver St.	1979	Tsomides	Tsomides	NC
	141 Seaver St.	1951	Clifford Allbright	Shapiro	NC
	155 Seaver St	1962	Stanley Meyers	Wolk	NC
	14 Sumner Rd.	1950	Frank Morgenroth	Mahler	NC
	20 Sumner Rd.	1946	David Wexler	Vernon	NC
	23 Sumner Rd.	1891	Longfellow, Harlow & Alden	Osgood	C
	31 Sumner Rd.	1947	Lewis Fink	Perkit	NC
N-5	36 Sumner Rd.	1888	Peabody & Stearns	L.S. Davis	C
N-4	43 Sumner Rd.	1810	Unknown	Goddard	C
	44 Sumner Rd.	1892	William Goodwin	Bigelow	C
	50 Sumner Rd.	1891	Loring & Phipps	Rothery	C
	64 Sumner Rd.	1912	Andrews, Jaques & Rantoul	Johnson	C
N-50	18 Willard Rd.	1912	Luther Greenleaf	Pray	C
N-34	19 Willard Rd.	1911	Benjamin Proctor	J. Pierce	C
	25 Willard Rd.	1911	Putnam & Allen	Burgess	C

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Continuation sheet

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Multiple Resource Area
Thematic GroupName Brookline MRAState MASSACHUSETTS

Nomination/Type of Review

Date/Signature

21. Elliot, General Simon,
HouseEntered in the
National Register

Keeper

Attest

Melvyn Byers 10/17/85

22. Emmett Cottage

Entered in the
National Register

Keeper

Attest

Melvyn Byers 10/17/85

23. Fernwood

Entered in the
National Register

Keeper

Attest

Melvyn Byers 10/17/85

24. Fire Station #7

Entered in the
National Register

Keeper

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Melvyn Byers 10/17/85

25. Fisher Hill Historic District

Entered in the
National Register

Keeper

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Melvyn Byers 10/17/85

26. Francis, Dr. Tappan Eustis,
HouseEntered in the
National Register

Keeper

Attest

Melvyn Byers 10/17/85

27. Fuller, Peter, Building

Entered in the
National Register

Keeper

Attest

Melvyn Byers 10/17/85

28. Goddard, John, House

Entered in the
National Register

Keeper

Attest

Melvyn Byers 10/17/85

29. Graffam Development
Historic DistrictEntered in the
National Register

Keeper

Attest

Melvyn Byers 10/17/85

30. Green Hill Historic District

Entered in the
National Register

Keeper

Attest

Melvyn Byers 10/17/85

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

Fisher Hill Historic District (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 Public Acquisition	Status Accessible	Present Use
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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

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





Holland Rd

~~Fisher Hill~~

Fisher Hill

Brookline (MA) MRA



Fisher Hill Estates - Boylston St
5/25

Brookline (MA) MRA



Fisher Hill Estates
Seaver St
5/25-

Brookline (MA) MRA



Clinton

~~Pa~~ (Pa) (#221)

Fisher Hill Area



Brookline (MA) MRA



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Fisher Hill Area
Dean Rd

Brookline (MA) MRA

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Dean Rd

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Fisher Hill Area

Brookline (MA) MRA

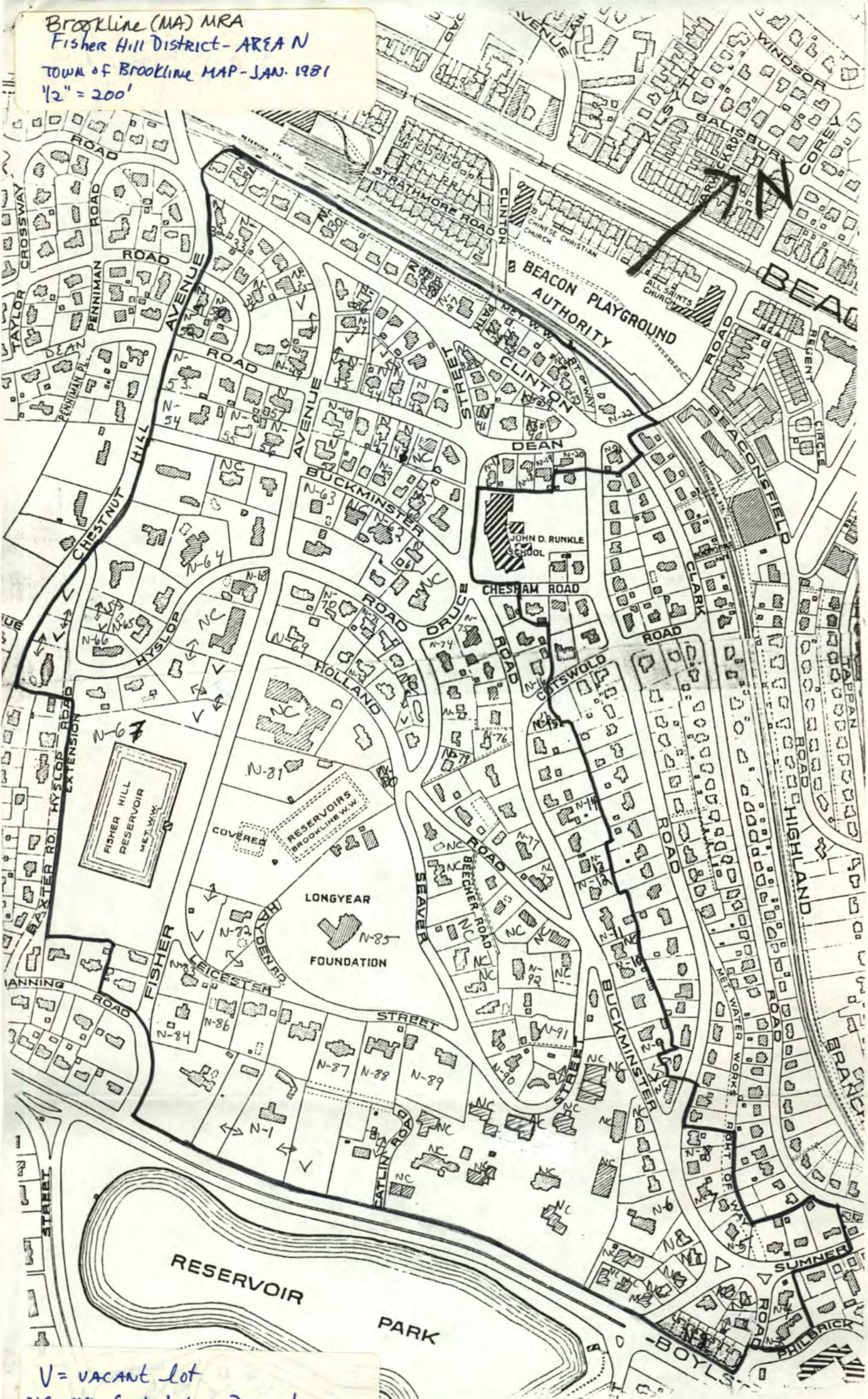


Fisher Hill - 266 Fisher Ave and
330 Clinton Rd

Brookline (MA) NEA

2-85

Brookline (MA) MRA
 Fishers Hill District- AREA N
 TOWN of Brookline MAP-JAN. 1981
 1/2" = 200'



V = vacant lot
 NC = NON CONTRIBUTING PROPERTY

Brookline MRA vs 2
Fisher Hill HD BF

Josef Elihu Teplow

270 Buckminster Road

Brookline, Mass. 02146

June 10, 1985

Ms. Valerie A. Talmage
State Historical Preservation Officer
Mass. Historical Commission
80-Boylston Street
Boston, MA 02116

Dear Ms. Talmage:

In response to your letter of May 16, 1985 in which you informed me that my house at the above address referenced #244 05-00 will be considered by the State Review Board for nomination to The National Register of Historic Places; I, hereby, notify you that I am exercising my right to object. Under no circumstances do I want nor will I accept the listing of this property in the National Register now or at any time during my ownership. I want to inform you that this is a single privately owned property, and I am the sole owner of said property.

Thank you for your consideration in the above matter. I appreciate the importance of historical preservations; however, it is contrary to my desires for this property.

Sincerely,

Miriam F. Teplow

Miriam F. Teplow

MTT/erm

Signed and witnessed on this
10 th day of June 1985.

John R. Olson
John R. Olson
Notary Public

7/18/91

HARRY PHILIP EDWARDS

ATTORNEY AT LAW

18 TREMONT STREET
BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS 02108
TEL. 227-1653

June 13, 1985

Massachusetts Historical Commission
80 Boylston Street
Boston, Massachusetts (02116)
Attention Valerie A. Talmage
Executive Director

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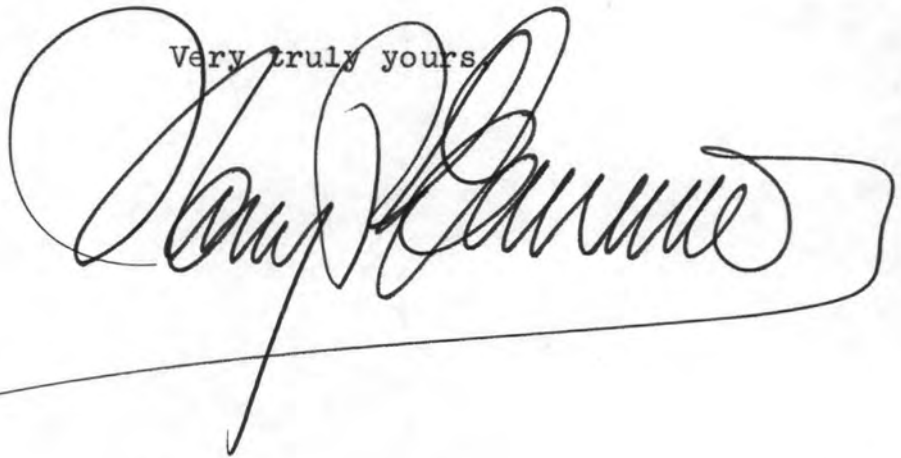
Handwritten notes:
✓ SZ
NKS
please respond
- need notary
- hope recon- sider obj
for my sig

Gentlemen:-

Rerereence yours of recent date, informing that that real-estate owned by me, located at 271 on Clinton Rd., Brookline, Massachusetts is being "considered by the State Review Board for nomination to the National Register of Historic Places:-

It is requested that this property NOT - I repeat, NOT be considered at this time, for inclusion in any such National Register.

Very truly yours,





The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Office of the Secretary of State
Michael Joseph Connolly, Secretary

Massachusetts Historical Commission

Valerie A. Talmage

Executive Director

State Historic Preservation Officer

July 15, 1986

Ms. Carol Shull, Chief
National Park Service
Department of Interior
P.O. Box 37127
Washington, D.C. 20013-7127

Dear Carol:

Attached please find a notarized objection to the listing of 233 Clinton Road in the Fisher Hill Historic District (Brookline MRA). The objection was received after the district had been listed, however, the owner wishes to have her objection included in the National Park Service's files on the Brookline MRA. I am therefore forwarding the objection to you for inclusion in the files.

The Massachusetts Historical Commission will maintain a copy of the objection in our files as well. Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Sarah J. Zimmerman".

Sarah J. Zimmerman
Director, Preservation Planning
Massachusetts Historical Commission

cc: Dr. Alice Ettinger, 233 Clinton Road, Brookline
Carla Benka, Brookline Historical Commission

SJZ/lk

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JAN 23 1986

MASS. HIST. COMM.

June 26, 1985

Valerie Talmadge
Executive Director
State Historic Preservation Officer
Massachusetts Historical Commission
80 Boylston Street
Boston, MA 02116

Dear Ms. Talmadge:

I do not wish to be listed on the National Register of Historic Places with the Brookline Multiple Resource Area. I reside at 233 Clinton Road, Brookline, MA 02146.

Very truly yours,

Alice Ettinger

Alice Ettinger, M.D.
233 Clinton Road
Brookline, MA 02146

Josephine Mirra
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JUL 22 1986



The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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Valerie A. Talmage

Executive Director

State Historic Preservation Officer

July 14, 1986

Dr. Alice Ettinger
233 Clinton Road
Brookline, MA 02146

Dear Dr. Ettinger:

I am writing to confirm the items we discussed over the phone recently. First, I have forwarded your objection to the listing of your house in the Fisher Hill Historic District (Brookline, MRA) to the National Park Service in Washington (see attached). As I explained, the MHC received your objection on January 23, 1986, too late for it to be reviewed as part of the NPS' National Register listing process. The Brookline MRA was listed in the Register on October 17, 1985.

However, I understand your concerns that your objection be included in the files regarding the Fisher Hill Historic District. The MHC will maintain your comments and a copy of your objection in our files. I also acknowledge that the Massachusetts Historical Commission received a phone call from you at the time of the nomination (June 1985) in which you stated your objection to the nomination of your property and explained the difficulty of obtaining a notarized objection at that time.

As I explained, the effects of National Register listing on a privately owned property are negligible. The property is afforded limited protection from the actions of federal and state governments and, if income producing, is eligible for an investment tax credit if a certified historic rehabilitation is undertaken.

There are no restrictions on the actions of a private property owner, provided public funds are not involved. Private owners of National Register property may use, maintain and dispose of their property in any way they see fit without government intervention. There are no limitations or restrictive covenants placed on a property as a result of National Register listing. The National Register was established for planning purposes and as a means of recognizing historically or architecturally significant properties.

JUL 22 1986

I have enclosed several brochures describing the National and State Register programs. Please do not hesitate to call me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Sarah J. Zimmerman

Sarah J. Zimmerman
Director, Preservation Planning
Massachusetts Historical Commission

cc: Carol Shull, National Park Service-MARO
Carla Benka, Brookline Historical Commission

Encs.

SZ/dr