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**NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY -- NOMINATION FORM**

SEE INSTRUCTIONS IN *HOW TO COMPLETE NATIONAL REGISTER FORMS*
TYPE ALL ENTRIES -- COMPLETE APPLICABLE SECTIONS

1 NAME

HISTORIC

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The Hershey House

AND/OR COMMON

The Patrick Home

LOCATION

E of Lafayette on East Rd.

STREET & NUMBER

~~1904 North 725 East~~

—NOT FOR PUBLICATION

CITY, TOWN

Lafayette

VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

Second

STATE

Indiana

CODE

018

COUNTY

Tippecanoe

CODE

157

CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

- DISTRICT
- BUILDING(S)
- STRUCTURE
- SITE
- OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

- PUBLIC
- PRIVATE
- BOTH

PUBLIC ACQUISITION

- IN PROCESS
- BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

- OCCUPIED
- UNOCCUPIED
- WORK IN PROGRESS

ACCESSIBLE

- YES: RESTRICTED
- YES: UNRESTRICTED
- NO

PRESENT USE

- AGRICULTURE
- MUSEUM
- COMMERCIAL
- PARK
- EDUCATIONAL
- PRIVATE RESIDENCE
- ENTERTAINMENT
- RELIGIOUS
- GOVERNMENT
- SCIENTIFIC
- INDUSTRIAL
- TRANSPORTATION
- MILITARY
- OTHER:

OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

Mr. & Mrs. Ralph Wallace Patrick

STREET & NUMBER

1904 North 725 East

CITY, TOWN

Lafayette

VICINITY OF

STATE
Indiana 47905

LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Tippecanoe County Courthouse Recorder's Office

STREET & NUMBER

County Courthouse

CITY, TOWN

Lafayette

STATE
Indiana

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

None

DATE

—FEDERAL —STATE —COUNTY —LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

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

The Hershey House is a two-story Greek Revival structure standing on a high terrace facing the north fork of Wildcat Creek. At one time a road that forded Wildcat Creek ran directly in front of the house, but in 1916 a new road was constructed which changed the orientation of the house.

The main elevation is located in a gable end of the structure, and has three bays below and three above. The entrance is in the right ground floor bay. The recessed door is surrounded by a multi-lighted transom and side lights capped with a plain limestone lintel. All windows in the main block have two over two lights, limestone sills, and flat radiating voussoirs. The windows on the sides are placed irregularly. The red brick walls are laid in common bond and are topped by a plain box wood cornice and frieze with plain returns on the gable ends.

A chimney has been added to the rear for a modern heating plant. A one-and-one-half story brick wing is attached to the rear; it is not known whether this portion was constructed before, during, or soon after the main block. This rear wing has a gable roof which extends on one side to allow for a porch over the rear entrance. To the other side of this addition is a clapboard summer kitchen which in the last twenty years has been converted to a garage. A root cellar under the brick wing houses the furnace.

Interior features include chestnut floors on the ground floor, a curving walnut staircase, and yellow poplar floors on the second story. Original fireplace mantels were removed when free standing stoves were installed.

Near the house is a one story milk house of field stone construction. A new roof over this structure has been added and extended to provide for a carport. This structure now serves as a tool shed.

8 SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW

<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES

1856

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Hershey House is significant both for its architecture and its associations with Joseph Madison Hershey, an early circuit preacher, school teacher, and local politician. The boxed cornice and frieze along with the transom and side lights around the main entrance suggest the Greek Revival influence. The cornice is unusually heavy.

Joseph M. Hershey migrated to Tippecanoe County, Indiana, from Maryland in 1834. The following year he purchased 160 acres in Perry Township. The Hershey family evidently spent the first 22 years in a log or frame house since their brick house was not constructed until 1856. A German carpenter from nearby Monitor constructed the house from bricks fired on the site. Hershey was a preacher with the United Brethren Church and made frequent trips through northern Indiana. He established Hershey Church and an early school in Perry Township. It was due to his efforts that the United Brethren Church was established in Tippecanoe County. He also served as a township trustee in 1859, was elected to the Indiana General Assembly in 1862 and 1864, and was county commissioner from 1873 to 1875. In recognition of his pioneer work in Perry Township, the Tippecanoe School Corporation named an elementary school after him in 1966.

Hershey was a successful farmer and eventually owned 424 acres before he retired in 1876. He died in 1879 at age 68 and was buried in the Hershey Church Cemetery (now Union Cemetery). At the time of his retirement, he sold his land to his son William. William Hershey was born on his father's farm in 1841. During the Civil War, he served in the 16th Indiana Light Artillery, and became famous locally as the only Tippecanoe resident to witness President Abraham Lincoln's Assassination at Ford's Theatre in 1865.

In 1909 William Hershey sold his farm and moved to nearby Dayton. Between 1913 and 1945 the Hershey House was used as a tenant residence, and during this time the structure fell into disrepair. Ralph W. and Charmaine D. Patrick acquired the house in 1947 and restored it to its present condition over a number of years.

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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 Lewis Publishing Company. Biographical Record and Portrait Album of Tippecanoe County, Indiana, 1888. Pages 226 and 227.
 Lafayette Journal and Courier, Dec. 24, 1955, May 20, 1976.
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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 1 acre

QUADRANGLE NAME Quad Lafayette East

QUADRANGLE SCALE 1:24000

UTM REFERENCES

A 1,6 51,9 8,1,0 4,4 7,6 9,6,0
 ZONE EASTING NORTHING

B
 ZONE EASTING NORTHING

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VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

Located NE 1/4 of NW 1/4 Section 16, Twp. 23N R3W.
 Mailing address 1904 N. 725 E., Lafayette, Indiana 47905.

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
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11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Richard Ewing, President

ORGANIZATION

DATE

Wabash Valley Trust for Historic Preservation

STREET & NUMBER

TELEPHONE

811 Columbia Street

742-6858

CITY OR TOWN

STATE

Lafayette

Indiana 47901

12 STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER CERTIFICATION

THE EVALUATED SIGNIFICANCE OF THIS PROPERTY WITHIN THE STATE IS:

NATIONAL

STATE

LOCAL X

As the designated State Historic Preservation Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the National Park Service.

STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER SIGNATURE

Joseph [Signature]

9/11-78

TITLE Indiana State Historic Preservation Officer

DATE

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I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS PROPERTY IS INCLUDED IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER

DATE 11-28-78

Charles [Signature]
 KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER

ATTEST: *Mary [Signature]*
 CHIEF OF REGISTRATION

DATE 11/22/78