

# FORM B - BUILDING

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

In Area no.

Form no.

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2. Photo (3x3" or 3x5")  
Staple to left side of form  
Photo number 1101-28A

1. Town Cambridge

Address 200 Monseignor O'Brien Highway

Name James B. Barnes House

Present use residential

Present owner Joseph and Anthony  
Viglione

3. Description: 31 Gore St., Camb., MA

Date 1824

Source assessor/deed records

Style Federal

Architect unknown

Exterior wall fabric brick

Outbuildings (describe) -----

Other features fan light over the  
entrance.

Altered No Date -----

Moved Yes Date c. 1910

5. Lot size:

One acre or less xx Over one acre -----

Approximate frontage 60 feet

Approximate distance of building from street

20 feet

6. Recorded by Bainbridge Bunting

Organization Cambridge Historical Comm.

Date 1964

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19/328780/4692950

Assessor # 20-78

(over)

7. Original owner (if known) James B. Barnes  
Original use residential  
Subsequent uses (if any) and dates same

8. Themes (check as many as applicable)

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

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

The Barnes House is significant as the only single family, five-bay Federal style brick house in East Cambridge, and the only such house in Cambridge with a fan light over the entrance. The house was built on its present lot in 1824, and moved about 1910 when Bridge Street was widened. It is one of six brick houses remaining in East Cambridge built in the Federal style associated with the early development of the area.

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

United States Department of the Interior  
National Park ServiceNational Register of Historic Places  
Inventory—Nomination Form

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EXP 12/31/84

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Continuation sheet

Item number

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Multiple Resource Area  
Thematic GroupName Cambridge Multiple Resource Area  
State MA

Nomination/Type of Review

Date/Signature

✓ 21. Harvard Houses Historic District

*owner objection  
withdrawn*

DOE/OWNER OBJECTION

Substantive Review

Keeper

Patrick Andrews 9/12/86

Attest

John X. Savage 9/12/86

✓ 22. Harvard Square Historic District

Substantive Review

Keeper

William H. Brannan

Attest

4.13.82✓ 23. Old Harvard Yard Historic  
District (Boundary increase)*see #193*

Substantive Review

DOE/OWNER OBJECTION

Keeper

Harvard *Ret 6/10/82*

Attest

✓ 24. Old Cambridge Historic District

Substantive Review

Keeper

Amelia Ann Byrd 4.13.82

Attest

Harvard

✓ 25. Winthrop Square Historic District

Substantive Review

Keeper

Ret 6/10/82

Attest

Harvard

✓ 26. Hubbard Park Historic District

Substantive Review

Keeper

William H. Brannan 4.13.82

Attest

✓ 27. Fresh Pond Historic District

Substantive Review

Keeper

Reject 4.13.82

Attest

✓ 28. American Net and Twine Company  
FactoryEntered in the  
National Register

Keeper

Delores Byrd 4/1/82

Attest

✓ 29. Athenaeum Press

Substantive Review

Keeper

William H. Brannan 4.13.82

Attest

✓ 30. Barnes, James B., House

Substantive Review

Keeper

William A. Brannan 4.13.82

Attest

## NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES

United States Department of the Interior  
National Park Service

## EVALUATION / RETURN SHEET

Property: James B. Barnes House (Cambridge Multiple Resource Area)  
 State, County: MA - Middlesex  
 Federal Agency: \_\_\_\_\_

Working No. 11-14-80-2862  
 Fed. Reg. Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Date Due: 4/17/82  
 Action: ☒ ACCEPT 4/13/82  
           ☐ RETURN \_\_\_\_\_  
           ☐ REJECT \_\_\_\_\_

photos 1  
 maps \_\_\_\_\_

☐ resubmission  
☐ nomination by person or local government  
☐ owner objection  
☐ appeal

Substantive Review: ☐ sample ☐ request ☐ appeal ☒ NR decision

Reviewer's comments:

*One of a kind -*

Recom./Criteria C  
 Reviewer Braunham *arch. Arch.*  
 Discipline 4.2.82  
 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                          | Check one                             | Check one                              |
| <input type="checkbox"/> excellent | <input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated | <input type="checkbox"/> original site |
| <input type="checkbox"/> good      | <input type="checkbox"/> ruins        | <input type="checkbox"/> moved         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> fair      | <input type="checkbox"/> unexposed    | <input type="checkbox"/> 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 \_\_\_\_\_

UNIT 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: 202 272-3504

Comments for any item may be continued on an attached sheet



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Cambridge MA, Ma

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Barnes, James B., House

200 Msgr. O'Brien Highway

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

Multiple Property Cover Sheet Reference Number: 64000275