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National Register of Historic Places Registration Form

This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations for individual properties and districts. See instructions in National Register Bulletin, *How to Complete the National Register of Historic Places Registration Form.* If any item does not apply to the property being documented, enter "N/A" for "not applicable." For functions, architectural classification, materials, and areas of significance, enter only categories and subcategories from the instructions.

1. Name of Property

Historic name: <u>Sparks-Anderson House</u> Other names/site number: <u>Name of related multiple property listing</u>:

(Enter "N/A" if property is not part of a multiple property listing

2. Location

| Street & number:7653 V | Vest Main Str | eet | | |
|--------------------------|---------------|----------|----|-------------------|
| City or town: Oshtemo To | wnship | _ State: | MI | County: Kalamazoo |
| Not For Publication: | Vicinit | y: | | |

3. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act, as amended,

I hereby certify that this \underline{X} nomination _____ request for determination of eligibility meets the documentation standards for registering properties in the National Register of Historic Places and meets the procedural and professional requirements set forth in 36 CFR Part 60.

In my opinion, the property _X__ meets ___ does not meet the National Register Criteria. I recommend that this property be considered significant at the following level(s) of significance:

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| national | statewide | <u>_X</u> | _local | |
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| Applicable National R | Register Criteria: | | | |

X C

Signature of certifying official/Title:

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X A

State or Federal agency/bureau or Tribal Government

In my opinion, the property _____ meets ____ does not meet the National Register criteria.

 Signature of commenting official:
 Date

 Title :
 State or Federal agency/bureau or Tribal Government

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4. National Park Service Certification

I hereby certify that this property is:

V entered in the National Register

_____ determined eligible for the National Register

____ determined not eligible for the National Register

____ removed from the National Register

_____ other (explain:)

Signature of the Keeper

Date of Action

5. Classification

Ownership of Property

(Check as many boxes as apply.) Private:

Public - Local

Public - State

| Public - | - Federal |
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Category of Property

| (Check only one b | box.) |
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| Building(s) | X |
| District | |
| Site | |
| Structure | |
| Object | |

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Number of Resources within Property

| (Do not include previously li | isted resources in the count) | | |
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| Contributing | Noncontributing | | |
| | 1 | buildings | |
| | 1 | sites | |
| ·· <u>*++*1</u> ; | 3 | structures | |
| · | | objects | |
| 1 | 5 | Total | |
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Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register ____0____

6. Function or Use Historic Functions (Enter categories from instructions.) Domestic/Single Dwelling

Current Functions (Enter categories from instructions.) Domestic/Single Dwelling

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7. Description

Architectural Classification (Enter categories from instructions.) Greek Revival

Materials: (enter categories from instructions.) Principal exterior materials of the property: _wood lap siding, stone, asphalt__

Narrative Description

(Describe the historic and current physical appearance and condition of the property. Describe contributing and noncontributing resources if applicable. Begin with **a summary paragraph** that briefly describes the general characteristics of the property, such as its location, type, style, method of construction, setting, size, and significant features. Indicate whether the property has historic integrity.)

Summary Paragraph

The Sparks-Anderson House is a north-facing, 1852 wood upright-and-wing Greek Revival with a two-story upright and a one-story, side-gable wing on its east side, which is fronted by a shed-roofed porch. A 1977, one-story wing of similar design is attached to the rear or south wall of the east wing. Contributing resources include the house, which stands on a developed house lot with a tree line at its south boundary. Non-contributing resources include a 1970, two-car garage building, about thirty feet directly east of the house, and a pre-1930s, relatively large, back yard garden site, which includes a pond and three structures: a stone wall along the south side of the garden site, a later twentieth-century stone wall, with a cast concrete coping, located west of the garden, and a hemispherical concrete pond at the base of this second wall.

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Narrative Description

Located in Oshtemo Township, Michigan, the property lies just west of the city of Kalamazoo, fifty miles south of Grand Rapids, and thirty-five miles east of South Haven and the shores of Lake Michigan.

The house faces north toward West Main Street (State Highway M-43) and is centered on the lot, close to the north boundary. It is wrapped on the west, south and east with yard, garden and trees. East of the house, an L-shaped driveway leads south up an incline from the street, then turns east toward the garage. The property is owned by Kalamazoo College, which also owns the adjacent former farmland that was associated with the house, which has become the Lillian Anderson Arboretum, open to the public since 1998.

The upright section of the house is a two-story, gable-front Greek Revival with a rectangular footprint, stone foundation and wood lap siding. The front-facing facade has two main floor and two second floor windows, with six over six sash and shutters, and a frieze-band window above in the gable. There are three more frieze-band windows, with their original grates, on the east and west facades. The west facade of the upright features two main-floor windows below the frieze-band windows. The south (rear) facade's fenestration matches the front, except for the east, main floor window, which is about half the size of the others, likely installed following the removal of an earlier addition that partially covered this section of the house.

The one-story, east wing appears in an 1867 Farmers Mutual Insurance application diagram of the home. It is not clear whether this wing is an original part of the house or an

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Name of Property addition. One indicator this wing may have been added is a frieze-band window which appears in the front gable of the house, perhaps relocated here from the south end of the upright east side when the wing was built. It is shown in the current location in a c. 1920 photograph.

It is possible the wing was planned as original, but added after the upright was complete and inhabited. Another item which adds credence to this theory is the appearance of the upright section's entry door, underneath the west end of the wing's porch, and its unusually close situation to the interior door which connects the upright and wing. There, the shoulder moldings of the two doors are separated by less than an inch. Also, the interior door's framing is slightly taller than the entry door, and the south shoulder of the interior door's molding is missing, because the doorway is actually "crowded" up against the living room's south wall.

An inspection of the baseboard molding along that same wall shows it pieced together, as if it has been removed and refitted. The ill-fitting connector door up against the south living room wall, and the pieced-together molding along that same wall suggest perhaps the stairway was altered, maybe reversed in its direction. It currently rises from the wing running west into the upright's second floor. But if the stair's direction was reversed – if it originally ran upward to the east from inside the house's west wall, where an opening still connects the upright's front and rear rooms – this could also support a theory that the wing was added after the upright was complete and occupied.

The east wing's exterior repeats many of the same architectural characteristics as the upright, and features a full-width porch covering the side entry into the upright and two entrances into the wing's front. The porch's roof is supported by four smooth, square Doric columns. The western-most entry leads directly into the upright, while the other two provide entries into the dining room and bedroom. Two front-facing windows are located between the three entry doors.

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Name of Property County and State The wing's east facade features a wide cornice with a shutter framed window on the main floor and a smaller window above.

A rear, one-story wing, constructed in 1977, projects south from the east wing, replacing an earlier wing there which was destroyed by fire. Photographs from the early twentieth century show the previous rear wing to be slightly larger than the current one, with a slightly more easterly footprint. Efforts were clearly made to make the addition architecturally sympathetic with the rest of the house, though details are simplified. The gable and siding are similar to the earlier sections. A two-thirds-width entry porch on this wing faces east, with a Doric column at the southeast corner that is similar to those on the front. The south side of this addition features three conjoined windows and another entrance. This addition is about equal in size to the east wing of the house, roughly twenty-four feet by sixteen feet.

All sections of the house are roofed with asphalt shingles.

The upright's interior features a front and rear room on each floor, separated by the stairway to the second floor, which rises, moving west from the wing. The basement stairway drops from the main floor, moving east, directly below. Three elongated, pedimented windows with elaborate beveled, eared moldings light the first-floor front room. These windows also have wooden panels beneath them that surmount the tall baseboards. Window and door frames in the kitchen are simplified versions of those in the front-facing room.

Above, there is a large bedroom over the living area, and a smaller room, now used as a workroom or studio, over the kitchen below. A small door in the closet at the east end of this room leads to a crawlspace above the east wing.

All interior second-story windows and doors have simplified trim treatments. The wood flooring in these rooms is similar to that found on the main floor.

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Rooms in the one-story east wing are currently used as a dining room and additional bedroom. The window and door frames in these rooms, along with the baseboard, are similar, less elaborate than those in the upright's living room.

In the 1980s a fire broke out in the east wing's attic crawlspace, in or near the chimney and wall which separate the dining room and bedroom below. Some beams were replaced, while those that retained their structural integrity, though blackened from the fire, were left in place.

A doorway leads from the east wing dining room to the 1977 rear wing, which provides a bathroom and laundry along its west wall, and additional living space on the east side.

Grounds

A flower garden sits slightly southeast of the home in the rear yard. A long stone wall about three feet tall lines the south side of the garden, a small brick patio sits in the middle, and in it, a small circular pond. These are present in c. 1920s backyard photos. A few yards south of the garden, a line of trees marks the edge of the formal yard. A more recent, later twentiethcentury stone wall, with a cast concrete coping and hemispherical concrete pond at its base, also sits several yards east of the garden and south of the garage.

Other mature trees, mostly deciduous and mostly maples, dot the yard. One sits immediately north of the garage, four appear in two groupings between the east wing and the garage, another is twenty or so feet off the northwest corner of the upright, several more are located along the north boundary, approaching the lot's northwest corner, and another directly west of the upright. There are several conifers east of the garden's east end, along with another maple. A tree line marks the south edge of the formal yard, and the southern boundary of the nominated property. A row of mature trees lined the road in front of the house until 1972, when they were removed to widen M-43.

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Name of Property A 1970, frame, wood lap-sided two-car garage with shed-roofed storage attached to its south side sits approximately twenty-five feet east of the house. It is accessed by a gravel drive, which runs south from the road and turns east towards the garage.

Now absent from the property is a thirty by forty foot barn, which is shown and dated 1850 on the 1867 Farmer's Mutual Insurance application. It was situated southwest of the home. No records were found which indicate what happened to it and when. The barn's sketch on the 1867 Farmer's Mutual Insurance application does not clearly show how close to the house it stood (whether within the nominated property or not), and the extant agricultural landscape shows no obvious signs of its location.

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8. Statement of Significance

Applicable National Register Criteria

(Mark "x" in one or more boxes for the criteria qualifying the property for National Register listing.)

- A. Property is associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history.

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- B. Property is associated with the lives of persons significant in our past.
- C. Property embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction or represents the work of a master, or possesses high artistic values, or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components lack individual distinction.
- D. Property has yielded, or is likely to yield, information important in prehistory or history.

Criteria Considerations

(Mark "x" in all the boxes that apply.)

- A. Owned by a religious institution or used for religious purposes
- В.
 - B. Removed from its original location
- C. A birthplace or grave
- D. A cemetery
- E. A reconstructed building, object, or structure
- F. A commemorative property
- G. Less than 50 years old or achieving significance within the past 50 years

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Areas of Significance (Enter categories from instructions.) <u>Architecture</u> Exploration/Settlement

Period of Significance 1842-1866

Significant Dates <u>1842 (land purchase)</u> <u>1852 (house construction)</u>

Significant Person (Complete only if Criterion B is marked above.) <u>N/A</u>

Cultural Affiliation N/A

Architect/Builder N/A

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Statement of Significance Summary Paragraph (Provide a summary paragraph that includes level of significance, applicable criteria, justification for the period of significance, and any applicable criteria considerations.)

The Sparks-Anderson House is significant under Criterion A for its association with the broad pattern of early settlement in Oshtemo Township and southern Michigan by Yankees from New England and upstate New York, and under Criterion C for the home's significance as the most intact remaining example of Greek Revival architecture in Oshtemo Township. The defined period of significance, 1852-66, begins with the house's 1852 date of construction and ends with the sale of the property out of the Sparks family who had it built.

Narrative Statement of Significance (Provide at least one paragraph for each area of significance.)

Settlement

Settlement began in what is now Oshtemo Township in 1830.¹ Asa Sparks bought this property in 1842, just four years after Oshtemo Township was established by the state legislature. Sparks was the third owner of the property, following Alfred Wilcox, who had made the initial purchase of a one hundred and sixty-acre square, quarter-section parcel from the United States government in 1835.² According to the 1880 Kalamazoo County history, Asa's brother Henry had owned property nearby since 1836, and was listed as one of only sixty-seven

¹ Charles Adam Weissert, An Account of Kalamazoo County, (Dayton, OH: National Historical Association, Inc., 1928).

² "Property Record of Deeds," Kalamazoo College Archives, Kalamazoo, MI.

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Oshtemo Township tax-payers in 1839.³ Asa and Henry had moved to Oshtemo from Massachusetts, following other early Yankee settlers from New England and upstate New York across southern Michigan.⁴ Settlement of the southern part of Michigan's Lower Peninsula began in earnest in the 1820s and 30s, with by far the largest part of the early migration in the 1820s-40s being Yankee stock from New England and upstate New York. A prime impetus to their migration to southern Michigan and other lower Great Lakes states was the completion of New York's Erie Canal in 1825, which reduced travel time, costs, and difficulties.

Oshtemo Township grew quickly: 1850 census records show the population at 587.⁵ It is possible that prior to this home's construction in 1852, Asa and his family lived next door with Henry, or on this property in an earlier house. But, by the time the 1860 census was taken, it is clear Asa and his family were living in this home and well established, with the farm's real estate valued at \$3,000 and a personal estate of \$945.⁶

Asa Sparks sold the home and property to Addison Sill in 1866, who then sold it to Silas N. Brownell in 1867. Brownell acquired the full one hundred and sixty acres of the property, and later sold twenty acres to his son, Daniel Brownell, in 1868. The Brownell family owned the property until 1876, when they sold one hundred and eighteen acres to George Montgomery. The

³ Samuel W. Durant, *History of Kalamazoo County, Michigan*, (Philadelphia: Everts & Abbott, 1880).

⁴ U.S. Bureau of the Census, "Population Schedule, 1860," (Washington, D.C.: National Archives and Records Administration), Henry Sparks in Ancestry.com.

http://search.ancestrylibrary.com/iexec?htx=View&r=5542&dbid=7667&iid=4232701_00179&fn=Henry&ln=Spar ks&st=r&ssrc=&pid=45054648.

⁵ U.S. Bureau of the Census, "Population Schedule, 1850," (Washington, D.C.: National Archives and Records Administration).

http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~cenfiles/mi/kalamazoo/1850/pg0055b.txt?cj=1&netid=cj&o_xid=0001231185 &o_lid=0001231185&o_sch=Affiliate+External.

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http://search.ancestrylibrary.com/iexec?htx=View&r=5542&dbid=1276&iid=t1164_9-00427&fn=Asa&ln=Sparks&st=r&ssrc=&pid=1520162.

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Name of Property remaining twenty-two acres of the one hundred and forty stayed with the Brownells.⁷ Edward Anderson purchased the 118 acre property and home in 1884, and the Anderson family owned it until their daughter, Lillian Anderson, deeded roughly one hundred acres to Kalamazoo College in 1982, and sold about five acres to Warren L. and Nella Langeland in 1992.⁸

Architecture

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The Sparks-Anderson house is significant for its age and high level of integrity as an upright-and-wing Greek Revival house in Oshtemo Township. Upright-and-wing Greek Revival houses were most commonly built in southern Michigan in the 1850s and into the 1860s. Houses in the upright-and-wing form first appear in the Northeast, including upstate New York, during the 1810s and 1820s, and migrating settlers spread the form across the upper Midwest. The majority of Greek Revival homes built in southern Michigan date from the 1830s to the 1860s.⁹

A significant increase in the property tax values for this property between 1852 and 1853 suggests an 1852 construction date for the house. The house's large footprint in the 1861 atlas, and the relatively high value of the combined estate that same year seem to support the presence by then of a substantial improvement on the property.¹⁰

⁷ "Land Abstract for the Langeland Property next to the Lillian Anderson Arboretum," Langeland Family Collection (Acc. 2011-11-01), Kalamazoo College Archives, Kalamazoo, Michigan.

⁸ Oshtemo Township, Warranty Deed – 861, Parcel Code 15-330-017, May 12, 1992.

⁹ Marshall McLennan, "Vernacular Architecture: Common House Types in Southern Michigan," in *Michigan Folklife Reader*, ed. C. Kurt Dewhurst and Yvonne R. Lockwood. (East Lansing: Michigan State University Press, 1987).

¹⁰Oshtemo Township Tax Rolls, 1852-1853. Western Michigan University Archives and Regional History Collections, Kalamazoo, Michigan.

Map of Kalamazoo County, Michigan. Philadelphia: Geil & Harley, 1861.

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A 1999 survey of historic buildings in Oshtemo Township lists Sparks-Anderson as one of only seven Greek Revival houses that remained in excellent condition at the time.¹¹ A recent survey of those homes shows only four remaining in excellent condition, including the Sparks-Anderson home. Of the others, one has since been demolished, while another has been re-sided and significantly altered, greatly reducing its integrity. Three have oversized or oddly placed additions clearly in the public view, including the Duncan and Mary Anderson house built by Edward Anderson's parents. Finally, in the 1960s, a two story Colonial entry was added to the front of the seventh, a brick Greek Revival home, diminishing its integrity. Of these seven Greek Revival houses in the township identified in 1999, the Sparks-Anderson house retains the greatest integrity.

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¹¹ Ferraro, Sharon and Pastmasters, "Oshtemo Township Reconnaissance Level Historic Resources Survey," July, 1999.

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Previous documentation on file (NPS):

- preliminary determination of individual listing (36 CFR 67) has been requested
- _____ previously listed in the National Register
- _____previously determined eligible by the National Register
- _____designated a National Historic Landmark
- _____ recorded by Historic American Buildings Survey #___
- _____recorded by Historic American Engineering Record # _____

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of Property _____2.12 acres_____

Use either the UTM system or latitude/longitude coordinates

| Latitude/Longitude Coordinates Datum if other than WGS84: | |
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| (enter coordinates to 6 decimal places) | |
| 1. Latitude: | Longitude: |
| 2. Latitude: | Longitude: |
| 3. Latitude: | Longitude: |

4. Latitude:

Longitude:

Or UTM References Datum (indicated on USGS map):

NAD 1927 or

NAD 1983

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1. Zone: 16

Easting: 607240

Northing: 4683390

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| 2. Zone: | Easting: | Northing: |
| 3. Zone: | Easting: | Northing: |
| 4. Zone: | Easting : | Northing: |

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Verbal Boundary Description (Describe the boundaries of the property.)

Commencing at the West ¹/₄ post of section 15, T 2 S, R 12 W, Oshtemo Township, Kalamazoo County, Michigan, and proceeding thence East along the East & West ¹/₄ line of said section 2167 feet and proceeding thence South 63 feet more or less to the southerly shoulder of West Main Street, also known as Michigan highway M-43, being the place of beginning of this description; thence proceeding south 223.5 feet, generally enclosing the developed yard area; then proceeding west 405.75 feet, enclosing the developed yard area; then proceeding north 230 feet, enclosing the developed yard area, to south edge of the south shoulder of Michigan Highway M-43; then proceeding east 410.25 feet, along the south edge of the south shoulder of West Main Street/Michigan Highway M-43, to the point of beginning.

Boundary Justification (Explain why the boundaries were selected.)

The boundaries were selected to encompass a rectangular area which includes the developed house lot.

11. Form Prepared By

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Additional Documentation

Submit the following items with the completed form:

- Maps: A USGS map or equivalent (7.5 or 15 minute series) indicating the property's location.
- Sketch map for historic districts and properties having large acreage or numerous resources. Key all photographs to this map.
- Additional items: (Check with the SHPO, TPO, or FPO for any additional items.)

Sparks-Anderson House Name of Property

Photographs

Kalamazoo, MI County and State

Photo Log

Name of Property: Sparks-Anderson HouseCity or Vicinity: Oshtemo TownshipCounty: KalamazooState: MIPhotographers:Anna Marek & Pamela Hall O'ConnorNumber of Photos:11Photographic Prints & Labeling:HP Premium Plus Paper; HP Vivera InkDigital Images:Verbatim Archival Grade CD-RPhotographed October 12, 2012 (exterior), December 18, 2012 (interior), January 12, 2013(exterior), and May 28, 2013 (exterior).

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Exterior, facing S, taken across the street. Shows spatial relationship between house, garage and street. Driveway is E of garage.

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(MI_Kalamazoo_Sparks-AndersonHouse_0002.tif) Exterior, facing SW, shows 1852 section on R, with the E wing and front porch. Rear addition slightly visible on L.

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(MI_Kalamazoo_Sparks-AndersonHouse_0003.tif) Exterior, facing S, street-facing facade, 1852 section, wide returned cornice and stone foundation.

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(MI_Kalamazoo_Sparks-AndersonHouse_0004.tif) Exterior, facing NE, rear view. 1852 section (L). 1977 addition (R).

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(MI_Kalamazoo_Sparks-AndersonHouse_0005.tif) Exterior, facing W, 1977 rear addition to home (L) with entry porch. E wing (R).

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(MI_Kalamazoo_Sparks-AndersonHouse_0006.tif) Exterior, facing NW, shows distance between house and garage.

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(MI_Kalamazoo_Sparks-AndersonHouse_0007.tif) Exterior, facing W, relationship of house to rest of property. Garage R, stone wall and garden center, beginning of tree line behind home, L.

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(MI_Kalamazoo_Sparks-AndersonHouse_0008.tif) Interior, facing N, main floor, W window, 1852 section.

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(MI_Kalamazoo_Sparks-AndersonHouse_0009.tif) Interior, facing E, original entrance door, 1852 section (L). Doorway to E wing (R).

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(MI_Kalamazoo_Sparks-AndersonHouse_0010.tif) Interior, facing W in E wing, doorway to front room R, 1852 section. Entryway to upstairs stairwell L. Simpler door trims.

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(MI_Kalamazoo_Sparks-AndersonHouse_0011.tif) Interior, facing NW, in closet of upstairs S bedroom. Frieze-band window grating.

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| Contours | National Elevation Dataset, 1999 |
| Boundaries | Census, IBWC, IBC, USGS, 1972 - 2010 |



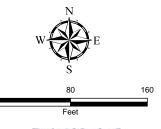
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Spark-Anderson House Boundary Map

Address: 7365 West Main Street (a.k.a. Michigan Highway M-43) Located in: SW 1/4 of Section 15, T. 2 S., R. 12 W. Oshtemo Township, Kalamazoo County, Michigan Date Printed: 11/14/2013



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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

REQUESTED ACTION: NOMINATION

PROPERTY Sparks--Anderson House NAME:

MULTIPLE NAME:

STATE & COUNTY: MICHIGAN, Kalamazoo

DATE RECEIVED: 2/18/14 DATE OF PENDING LIST: 3/18/14 DATE OF 16TH DAY: 4/02/14 DATE OF 45TH DAY: 4/06/14 DATE OF WEEKLY LIST:

REFERENCE NUMBER: 14000125

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

4.7.14 DATE REJECT RETURN ACCEPT

ABSTRACT/SUMMARY COMMENTS:

Entered in The National Register of Historic Places

| RECOM./CRITERIA | | |
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| REVIEWER | DISCIPLINE | |
| TELEPHONE | DATE | |

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

If a nomination is returned to the nominating authority, the nomination is no longer under consideration by the NPS.



STATE OF MICHIGAN

MICHIGAN STATE HOUSING DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

SCOTT WOOSLEY EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

RICK SNYDER GOVERNOR

STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICE

RECEIVED 2280 FEB 1 8 2014 NAT. REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

February 7, 2014

Mr. J. Paul Loether, Chief National Register of Historic Places National Park Service 1201 Eye Street, NW, 8th Floor Washington, DC 20005

Dear Mr. Loether:

Enclosed is a national register nomination form for the Sparks-Anderson House in Kalamazoo County, Michigan. This property is being submitted for listing in the national register. No written comments concerning this nomination were submitted to us prior to the submission of this nomination to you.

Questions concerning this nomination should be addressed to Robert O. Christensen, national register coordinator, by phone at 517/335-2719 or email at christensenr@michigan.gov.

Sincerely yours,

Brian D. Conway State Historic Preservation Officer