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FORM B - BUILDING

AREA

FORM NO.

WH 531

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
10 BOYLSTON STREET
BOSTON, MA 02116

Photo (3"x3" or 3"x5", black and white) Indicate address of property on back of photo. Staple to left side of form.

Town Quincy, MA/ MRAAddress 79 Winthrop AvenueHistoric Name Pinkham HouseUse: Present single family dwellingOriginal single family dwelling

DESCRIPTION

Date ca. 1870sSource Map and directory researchStyle Second EmpireArchitect unknownExterior Wall Fabric wood clapboardsOutbuildings garage (1920) --ncMajor Alterations (with dates) noneCondition FairMoved no Date n/aAcreage less than one acre: 11,250 sq. Ft.Setting Sited on the slope of Winthrop

Avenue, this is the oldest house on a street
of large late 19th century suburban residence
in Wollaston Heights.

Recorded by Fannin and Lehner / J. JohnsonOrganization Quincy Historical CommissionDate June 21, 1986/ May 1987

Sketch Map: Draw map showing property's location in relation to nearest cross streets and/or geographical features. Indicate all buildings between inventoried property and nearest intersection(s).
Indicate north

SEE ATTACHED MAP

UTM REFERENCE 19/333,400 E/ 4,680,530,NUSGS QUADRANGLE Boston South, MASCALE 1: 25,000

NATIONAL REGISTER CRITERIA STATEMENT (if applicable)

The house at 79 Winthrop Avenue retains integrity of design, location, materials, feeling, and association with the development of Quincy's first affluent, nineteenth century residential neighborhood for local businessmen, civic leaders, and Boston commuters. As the best preserved of several elaborate Second Empire residences in Quincy, the house fulfills Criteria A and C of the National Register of Historic Places on the local level.

ARCHITECTURAL SIGNIFICANCE Describe important architectural features and evaluate in terms of other buildings within the community.

SEE INVENTORY CONTINUATION FORM SHEET

HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE Explain the role owners played in local or state history and how the building relates to the development of the community.

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BIBLIOGRAPHY and/or REFERENCES

Assessors Records

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INVENTORY FORM CONTINUATION SHEET

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
Office of the Secretary, Boston

Community:

QUINCY, MA

Form No:

WH-531

Property Name: Pinkham House

Indicate each item on inventory form which is being continued below.

HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE -- 79 WINTRHOP AVENUE

One of the earliest houses in Wollaston Heights, this elaborate Second Empire residence was built by George F. Pinkham, the manager of Wollaston Land Associates, and the man most responsible for the development of Wollaston Heights. Although the Pinkham family retained ownership of 79 Winthrop Avenue past 1935, George A. Pinkham apparently reserved the house for other family members while he lived on Warren Avenue (his house was demolished). The house at 79 Winthrop Avenue is the only intact house associated with the Pinkham family that survives.

This house is located in Wollaston Heights, a neighborhood of substantial suburban houses built during the last three decades of the 19th century. Defined as the section of Wollaston located on Wollaston Hill, the Wollaston Heights neighborhood is roughly bounded by Beale Street (north); South Central Avenue (south); Newport Avenue and the MBTA tracks (east); and South Central Avenue (west). The neighborhood was part of a 300 acre tract of farmland purchased by the Wollaston Land Associates in 1869. The Associates marketed Wollaston Heights as a status residential community for affluent Quincy businessmen and Boston commuters. Key to the success of the development was the easy access to the railroad which, by the 1860s, had opened a station at Beale and Newport Street. In an arrangement negotiated by George Pinkham, business manager for the developers, the Old Colony Railroad issued free passes good for three years to anyone purchasing a house lot from the Wollaston Land Associates. Rapid building construction ensued with the majority of houses in the neighborhood built by 1900.

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ARCHITECTURAL SIGNIFICANCE -- 79 WINTRHOP AVENUE
PINKHAM HOUSE

The house at 79 Winthrop Avenue, one of several elaborate Second Empire houses built in the elite residential neighborhood of Wollaston Heights, is architecturally important as the best surviving example of this type in Quincy. L-shaped in plan, the clapboard house features a concave mansard roof punctured by decorated dormers, two-story bay windows with paneled bases and dentiled cornices, and large quoins articulating the corners of the house. Large double brackets support the eaves and a bracketed entry porch is topped by a balustrade. A two-car garage at the rear of the property is noncontributing.

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United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service

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National Register of Historic Places
Continuation Sheet

Section number _____ Page _____

Multiple Resource Area
Thematic GroupName Quincy MRA
State Norfolk County, MASSACHUSETTS

Nomination/Type of Review

Date/Signature

51. Nelson, John R., House **Entered in the
National Register**Keeper Shelores Bynum 9/20/89

Attest _____

52. New England Telephone Building
**Entered in the
National Register**Keeper Shelores Bynum 9/20/89

Attest _____

53. Newcomb Place **Entered in the
National Register**Keeper Shelores Bynum 9/20/89

Attest _____

54. Nightengale House **Entered in the
National Register**Keeper Shelores Bynum 9/20/89

Attest _____

55. Nightengale, Solomon, House
**Entered in the
National Register**Keeper Shelores Bynum 9/20/89

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56. Nowland, J. Martin, House
**Entered in the
National Register**Keeper Shelores Bynum 9/20/89

Attest _____

57. Pinkham House **Entered in the
National Register**Keeper Shelores Bynum 9/20/89

Attest _____

58. Pratt--Faxon House **Entered in the
National Register**Keeper Shelores Bynum 9/20/89

Attest _____

59. Quincy Electric Light and Power
Company Station **Entered in the
National Register**Keeper Shelores Bynum 9/20/89

Attest _____

60. Quincy Police Station **Substantive Review**Keeper Beth L. Savage 3/8/90

Attest _____

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

REQUESTED ACTION: NOMINATION

PROPERTY Pinkham House
NAME:

MULTIPLE Quincy MRA
NAME:

STATE & COUNTY: MASSACHUSETTS, Norfolk

DATE RECEIVED: 8/07/89 DATE OF PENDING LIST: 8/22/89
DATE OF 16TH DAY: 9/07/89 DATE OF 45TH DAY: 9/21/89
DATE OF WEEKLY LIST:

REFERENCE NUMBER: 89001384

NOMINATOR: STATE

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

☒ ACCEPT ☐ RETURN ☐ REJECT 9/20/89 DATE Entered in the
National Register

ABSTRACT/SUMMARY COMMENTS:

RECOM./CRITERIA _____
REVIEWER _____
DISCIPLINE _____
DATE _____

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

CLASSIFICATION

___ count ___ resource type

STATE/FEDERAL AGENCY CERTIFICATION

FUNCTION

___ historic ___ current

DESCRIPTION

___ architectural classification
___ materials
___ descriptive text

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

BIBLIOGRAPHY

GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

___ acreage ___ verbal boundary description
___ UTMs ___ boundary justification

ACCOMPANYING DOCUMENTATION/PRESENTATION

___ sketch maps ___ USGS maps ___ photographs ___ presentation

OTHER COMMENTS

Questions concerning this nomination may be directed to

_____ Phone _____

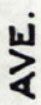
Signed _____ Date _____



79 Winthrop Ave
Pinkham House
by: Fannin / Lehner
date: Spring 1986
at: Planning Dept. - Quincy
view: North
pict # WH-531

MRA
Quincy, Mass.

AVE.



WARREN

AVE.

LINCOLN

Address 79 Winthrop Avenue

Assessors Map # 5182

Scale: 1 inch equals 80 feet

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

Multiple Property Cover Sheet Reference Number: 64000289