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National Register of Historic Places Continuation Sheet

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SUPPLEMENTARY LISTING RECORD

NRIS Reference Number: 76000787

Date Listed: 10/8/76

Property Name: Cutler-Donahoe Covered Bridge

County: Madison State: Iowa

<u>none</u> Multiple Name

This property is listed in the National Register of Historic Places in accordance with the attached nomination documentation subject to the following exceptions, exclusions, or amendments, notwithstanding the National Park Service certification included in the nomination documentation.

Signature of the Keeper

July 21, 1994 Date of Action

Amended Items in Nomination:

Section 1. Historic Name

The name by which the above-named property was nominated and listed in the National Register in 1976 (Cutler-Donahue Covered Bridge) is hereby corrected to be "Cutler-Donahoe Covered Bridge." The need for this corrrection was brought to the attention of the Keeper of the National Register by a letter dated 27 June 1994 from David Crosson, the Iowa State Preservation Officer.

Beth Foster of the Iowa State Historic Preservation Office was notified of this amendment on July 21, 1994.

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DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Cutler-Donahue Covered Bridge, built by Eli Cox in 1871, covers a span of 76 feet and has a pitched roof. Town lattice type of construction was used, a criss-cross web of planks, fashioned to form a solid, durable truss, held together by trunnell pins (treenails). The skeleton structure is of native lumber, hewn and shaped to fit the purpose. The outside is of regular pine boards, the roof of wood shingles.

This bridge was originally built to span North River in Crawford Township, Sect. 11. During the summer of 1970, the structure was moved to the Winterset City Park and placed on steel abutments spanning a natural ravine just inside the park entrance. The structure was repaired, and repainted in red with white trim. Its use is now restricted to pedestrian traffic.

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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Cutler-Donahue Bridge is one of the oldest bridges in Madison County. Its pitched roof is in the traditional mode of bridge design, inherited from eastern artisans who worked in the early decades of the 19th century. The majority of covered bridges have disappeared over the years, both in Iowa and in the U.S. as a whole. Weather, flood, indifference, new styles and methods of construction have all contributed to the loss of these structures. The Cutler-Donahue Covered Bridge, as one of the few remaining covered bridges in Iowa, is an invaluable example of early techniques in bridge construction, now abandoned in favor of more modern designs.

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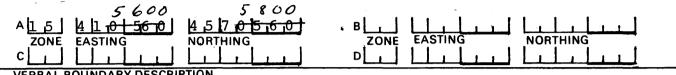
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VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

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ORGANIZATION			DATE	
Madison County Histo	orical Society, Inc.	······	April 10, 1	975
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