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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 Haverstick, Hiram A., Farmstead

and/or common

2. Location

street & number 7845 Westfield Boulevard N/A not for publication

city, town Indianapolis N/A vicinity of

state Indiana code 018 county Marion code 097

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input type="checkbox"/> commercial
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> educational
<input type="checkbox"/> site	Public Acquisition	Accessible	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input type="checkbox"/> in process	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government
	<input type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial
	N/A	<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military
			<input type="checkbox"/> museum
			<input type="checkbox"/> park
			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private residence
			<input type="checkbox"/> religious
			<input type="checkbox"/> scientific
			<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
			<input type="checkbox"/> other:

4. Owner of Property

name Mr. and Mrs. Howard George Taylor

street & number 7845 Westfield Boulevard

city, town Indianapolis N/A vicinity of state Indiana 46240

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Marion County Recorder's Office

street & number City-County Building
200 E. Washington Street, #721

city, town Indianapolis state Indiana

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

title N/A has this property been determined eligible? yes no

date federal state county local

depository for survey records N/A

city, town state

7. Description

Condition		Check one	Check one
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> original site
<input type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> altered	<input type="checkbox"/> moved date _____
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed		

Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

Built in 1879, the Haverstick Home is an Italianate structure which is surrounded by 2½ acres of land. It is in excellent condition and has many notable Italianate features. The five-bay main facade faces west. The original two-story house is nearly square in plan, being 33' x 37'. A breeze-way at the rear of the house has been enclosed to connect the original summer kitchen to the house.

The low foundation of the house is constructed of native rock faced with brick. A cornerstone located on the northwest corner of the house foundation bears the words, "Built by H. A. Haverstick. 1879." (Photo 6.) Michigan pine was shipped by railroad, unloaded from the track approximately eight miles to the east, and hauled by horse and wagon to the building site. All framing lumber is rough-cut, full-size pine. The 4 x 4 corner posts, in one piece, are approximately 25' from the foundation to the roof. The house is finished with white clapboard and cornerboards decorated with a twisted rope molding.

The main facade is a symmetrical, five-bay elevation with a central entrance. The entrance has a six-panel wooden door, which is a replacement, and a wooden storm door. A transom with four lights is above the door. The entrance is trimmed with plain molding on the sides and an entablature with the twisted rope molding at its head. On each side of the door is a lantern-shaped electric light fixture. (Photo 3.)

Leading to the entrance is a central, one-bay, one-story porch. The flat roof of the porch is supported by two free-standing and two engaged chamfered posts. The porch is trimmed with decorative scroll brackets at the four corners; and on the three sides, decorative bargeboard is shaped to form a segmental arch with a central ornamental pendant.

The porch roof is trimmed with a plain cornice and has wrought-iron cresting. The porch deck and five steps are constructed of wood. Wrought and cast iron railings, which were added in 1950 for safety reasons, grace each side of the stair and porch.

The entrance is flanked by two tall, narrow windows on either side. These windows are one-over-one, double-hung sash. Each window is trimmed with an entablature having the twisted rope molding, and a plain sill. The slat shutters, located at the windows on the main facade and side elevations, are original and are painted burgundy red. They have been made fast in their open position.

The second level of the main facade contains five window openings, aligned with the five bays of the first level. The windows and trim are identical to those of the first level.

The north elevation of the house is asymmetrical and contains three bays. (Photo 1.) An entrance is flanked by a window on either side, but the window to its east is much closer than the one to its west. This side entrance also contains a porch, which is decorated with two engaged and two free-standing posts, scrolled brackets, and spindles, and is finished with a shed roof. Wrought and cast iron railings are on each side of the stair. There are three window openings on the second level, directly above the three bays of the first level. The windows and trim are identical to those on the main facade.

The south elevation of the original house is asymmetrical, with two window openings on each level. (Photo 2.) The eastern window on the first level is smaller than the other three windows on this elevation, which are identical to those on the main facade.

The low-pitch hip roof of the original house has very wide eaves supported by ornate wooden brackets. A paneled frieze contains the attic windows, which are small, rectangular openings aligned with the openings of the lower levels. The roof was originally slate, but is now covered with asbestos shingles. There are two interior, offset chimneys in the main portion of the house.

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
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		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		

Specific dates	1879	Builder/Architect	Hiram A. Haverstick, builder Architect unknown
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Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

The Hiram A. Haverstick house is one of the best and most intact frame examples of Italianate style architecture in Indianapolis, with its low-pitch hipped roof, wide eaves, large scroll brackets, central one-bay porch, tall narrow windows, and moldings. It is also one of the oldest houses remaining in the northern part of the city.

As a young man of about 18 years of age, Hiram A. Haverstick came here from the Lancaster, Pennsylvania, area and purchased land. He obtained approximately 100 acres in 1846, and in 1879 built the house. After getting involved in the agricultural development of his land, Haverstick some years later maintained a public camp and picnic ground on the property, using White River and the present 77th Street area. Farm products were sold from the house and many people came from the city and surrounding areas in carriages and wagons to enjoy the area which was known as Haverstick Park, and is so designated on some maps. Haverstick Creek and Haverstick Road, located northeast of the nominated property, still retain the name.

Mr. Haverstick was involved in social and religious activities in the area. He served as a trustee of Washington Township from 1876 until 1880. He was a charter member of both the Millersville Lodge No. 126, Order of Free and Accepted Masons, and the Keystone Lodge, No. 251, F. and A.M. Mr. Haverstick was an early member of the original Union Chapel Church located near 81st Street and Haverstick Road. He was involved in securing the first organ for the church, loaning money for its purchase and hauling it in his wagon from mid-town to the church.

Mr. Haverstick died intestate on November 9, 1923, and is buried in the old Union Chapel Church Cemetery. After his death, the house had several owners until 1943, when the current owners purchased it. They have made extensive repairs, redecorating it and furnishing it with appropriate antiques of the era.

9. Major Bibliographical References

Please see continuation sheet

10. Geographical Data

Acreeage of nominated property Approximately 2 1/2 acres

Quadrangle name Carmel, Indiana

Quadrangle scale 1:24000

UTM References

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Zone		Easting						Northing						

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Zone		Easting						Northing						

Verbal boundary description and justification

Please see continuation sheet

List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

state N/A code county code

state code county code

11. Form Prepared By

name/title Mrs. Howard George Taylor

organization Owner date July, 1985

street & number 7845 Westfield Boulevard telephone 317/251-5052

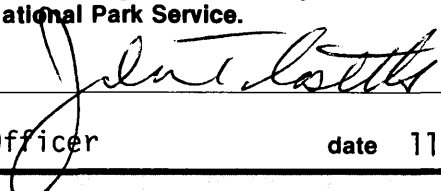
city or town Indianapolis state Indiana 46240

12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification

The evaluated significance of this property within the state is:

national state local

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.

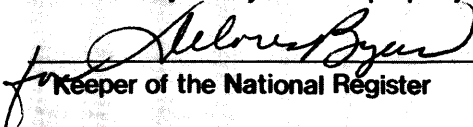
State Historic Preservation Officer signature 

title Indiana State Historic Preservation Officer date 11-15-85

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I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register

Entered in the National Register date 12-26-85


Keeper of the National Register

Attest: _____ date _____

Chief of Registration

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The rear kitchen wing is finished with white clapboard and plain corner boards and has a gabled roof. (Photo 4.) Its south elevation contains an entrance and three-part window at the western end of the wing, sheltered by a canopy on brackets. A large, three-part, multi-light window with a transom bar is on the eastern end of the wing. The east elevation of the wing contains an entrance with a glazed and paneled door and an exterior chimney.

The front door on the small, west porch opens into a lower hall from whence the straight stairway, with original walnut handrail and newel post, goes to the upper center hall. This hall opens to the bath and four bedrooms. The house was heated by coal stoves, popular at the time (1879), and each room has a "stove hole" for the pipes. Around 1930, a coal furnace was added in the basement.

To the south (right) of the lower hall is the parlor which has plaster moldings and center medallion decoration, as do the hall and north (left) dining room. Back to the east of the parlor is the kitchen, and back of the dining room and to the east is the living room with a north porch entrance. Wide baseboards, all window and door frames, and most of the old glass panes exist throughout the house. Three stairways are in the rear of the house: one to the basement, one to the southeast upper bedroom, and one to the completely floored attic.

From the east kitchen door is an attached breeze-way, once open but now adjoining the original summer kitchen. For safety and space reasons, the inside chimney of this kitchen was demolished and a new one constructed on the east outside wall. One north window of the kitchen and an existing east door are of original glass and wood framework. The window overlooking the terrace was replaced. The original wainscoting and tulip poplar floor of the kitchen remains in excellent condition.

The original barn was located on the property directly north. The corncrib foundation still exists southeast of the terrace in the orchard tree area. The original lumber from the crib was removed during the 1930's and used to construct the current two-car garage located at the east end of the north driveway.

East, and about 30' from the summer kitchen, is a storage/garden building painted white with burgundy red shutters to match the house shutters of the same color. This building was probably build during the 1930's, and served as a chicken house for the former owners.

A short distance behind this building is the original smokehouse. The door of this building is the original door and transom removed by other owners from the west front entrance of the house. The original hand-operated doorbell was removed and placed in the original door of the north porch entrance.

Due to development in the area, the former 100 acre farm has been reduced, and the house is now surrounded by approximately 2½ acres of beautiful orchard and flowering trees, green lawn, Baltic ivy beds and flowers. Several original maple and pine trees still exist on the property.

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Interviews with: Miss Pearl Haverstick, Mrs. Carrie Haverstick Tyner, Mrs. Alice Haverstick Schmidt, all granddaughters of Hiram A. Haverstick living in the area, and close friends for 30 years, or more. Also, Mrs. Judith Hinshaw singleton, 7-85, and Mr. Charles H. Schmidt, both great grandchildren of Hiram A. Haverstick, residing locally.

An old photostat record of the old Union Chapel Church.

Sulgrove, Berry R. History of Indianapolis and Marion County. Philadelphia: L. H. Everts & Company, 1884.

Item Number 10

Part of the northeast quarter of Section 25, Township 17 North, Range 3 East, more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a point 3.8 feet east of the west line and 307.15 feet south of the north line of said northeast quarter Section, thence running east making a right angle with the west line of said Quarter Section 330 feet to a point; thence south parallel with the west line of said quarter section 320.9 feet to a point; thence in a southwestwardly direction 164.65 feet to a point, said point being 684.22 feet south of and at right angles with the north line of said quarter section; thence north 197.82 feet to a point which is 486.4 feet south of and at right angles to the north line of said Quarter Section; thence westwardly 175 feet to a point which is 4.78 feet east of the west line of said quarter Section, thence north 168.75 feet to the place of beginning.

Subject, however, to any legal highways or rights of way.