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United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service

National Register of Historic Places
Continuation Sheet

St. Mary's Academy Historic District
Name of Property
Monroe County, Michigan
County and State
NR Reference Number



State/Federal Agency Certification

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

I hereby certify that this ___ additional documentation ___ move ___ removal ___ name change (additional documentation) X other

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.

Buck Conway SHPO 5/23/19
 Signature of Certifying Official/Title: Date of Action

National Park Service Certification

I hereby certify that this property is:

- entered in the National Register
- determined eligible for the National Register
- determined not eligible for the National Register
- removed from the National Register
- additional documentation accepted
- other (explain:)

[Signature] 6-12-2019
 Signature of the Keeper Date of Action

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The St. Mary's Academy Historic District was nominated to the National Register of Historic Places by the Michigan State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) in March 1982 as part of the *Monroe Multiple Resource Area* (MRA) nomination. At that time, the owners of the St. Mary's Academy Historic District property, Sisters, Servants of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, objected to listing in the National Register. A notarized letter of objection was sent to the SHPO and included with the submission of the MRA nomination materials. The MRA was approved by the Keeper on May 6, 1982. At that time the St. Mary's Academy Historic District was determined eligible by the Keeper of the National Register.

The IHM Sisters have submitted a notarized letter dated May 13, 2019, withdrawing their objection, and desire for their property to be listed in the National Register of Historic Places.

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PART VIII: ST. MARY'S ACADEMY HISTORIC DISTRICT

DOE/OWNER OBJECTION

Boundary Justification (see Map #5)

The district includes approximately seventy acres encompassing the parklike lawns surrounding the major buildings of the Academy. The several hundred undeveloped acres extending to the north of the main buildings are not included since they do not contribute significantly to the maintenance of the historic setting even though much of the land is under the same ownership. To the east and west are twentieth century residential areas, to the south is the River Raisin.

Description

The St. Mary's Academy complex consists of four major structures located amidst spacious lawns on the north side of the River Raisin. Three of the buildings were constructed as an architecturally unified complex between 1931-32 and are linked together to form a crescent-shaped megastructure. The fourth building was built in 1916-17, and stands along on the grounds a considerable distance from the other three structures.

The latter structure, the Hall of the Divine Child (photo #99) built in 1916, is a 4-story, flat-roofed, Tudor style building with a projecting square central tower buttressed with octagonal turrets. The symmetrical facade is lavishly trimmed in limestone which is used for quoins, window surrounds, belt courses and carved parapet and spandrel panels. The central tower with its oriel window over the compound-arched entry dominates the facade (photo #100).

The Motherhouse of the Immaculate Heart of Mary Sisters, the Immaculate Heart Chapel, the Infirmary and St. Mary's Academy form a unified Art Deco composition. All of the structures utilize the same type of brick, limestone detailing and design elements and are physically joined to form a huge crescent.

The Motherhouse (photos #102-104) forms the western component of the complex. It is a 3½-story-on-high-basement, brick-and-limestone-trimmed, gable-roofed building with copper-clad dormers. The building is 'E'-shaped, but presents its major south elevation as an unbroken symmetrical expanse of forty-six simply articulated bays interrupted only by a buttressed, three-bay, projecting central pavilion. The major design motifs are the pointed and corbelled arch and chevron which appear in the fenestration of the ornately detailed central pavilion with its limestone, stepped-gable treatment as well as in the copper-sheathed dormers. The six-over-six sash windows enrich the otherwise rather plain exterior. The five bays of the facade at each end are also pavilionated and terminate in limestone attic stories above the third floor level.

The rear wings are relatively plain 4½ brick structures with limestone-trimmed, stepped gables. They enframe the Immaculate Heart Chapel (photo #105), which extends from the center of the rear north elevation. The chapel was not completed until 1940, but is designed in the same Art Deco style as the rest of the building. It is a basilican plan, cruciform structure with gabled transepts, a broad apse and an Art Deco copper lantern over the crossing. The arched windows are filled with stained glass and a box patterned limestone frieze enriches the exterior upper walls of the apse.

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The eastern unit of the St. Mary's Complex is the Academy Building (photo #107). It is a huge, 4½-story-on-high-basement, gable-roofed, brick, E-shaped structure with an imposing V-shaped symmetrical facade of six-over-six sash windows. The relatively plain facade is punctuated with a stepped-back, 6-story, limestone-trimmed, central tower and two squat end pavilions. The focal point of the structure, the magnificent, limestone buttressed central tower (photo #108), is made to appear much taller than it actually is by the use of vertical brick ribbin, fluting on the limestone piers, and by stepping back the floor levels. The end pavilions repeat the vertical emphasis of the central tower more modestly through their use of brick piers and a limestone trimmed, setback attic story. Although the detailing on the Academy is more abstract and vertical in character, the structure is otherwise similar in design to the Motherhouse. The same type of brick, variegated roofing slate, window units, copper-clad dormers and plan configuration are used for both structures.

The central element of the complex is the Infirmary (photo #106), which forms the linkage between the Motherhouse and Academy. It is a 2-story, brick, slate-roofed structure fronted with a shed-roofed passage with large arched windows. This building would be architecturally undistinguished were it not for the 2-story, limestone statue niche projecting from the center of the south elevation. The molded niche repeats the shape of the canted arch dormers used on the adjacent structures and is flanked by piers carved with a stylized palmette motif. The boldly profiled keystone of the niche projects above the parapet to form the base for a cross. Within the niche, resting on a stylized console is a larger than life-sized, marble statue of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

At the rear of the Motherhouse is the powerplant. It is a 2- and 3-story, flat roofed, brick structure of utilitarian design with steel industrial sash separated by slightly projecting piers with stone caps. A tall, tapering, round, brick smokestack rises from the rear of the power house. The building was constructed in the 1930s to produce steam to heat the complex and is still in use.

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Significance

The St. Mary's Academy Complex is architecturally significant for its fine Art Deco and Tudor Gothic style structures. It is historically significant as the home of a prominent Roman Catholic Order established in Michigan.

The Sisters Servants of the Immaculate Heart of Mary (IHM) was founded in 1845 when Sister Theresa Maxis was transferred to St. Mary's Church in Monroe from Baltimore, Maryland, by the Superior of the Redemptorist Order. Sister Theresa was sent to assist Father Gillet, pastor of St. Mary's in establishing a school for female children. By January of 1846 Sister Theresa, with the assistance of two other sisters, had opened the "Young Ladies Academy" in the former parish rectory. The three nuns called themselves Oblate Sisters of Providence at first, but changed to the present name in 1847. The little school of 40 pupils grew slowly as did the IHM order which was comprised of only twelve sisters in 1855.

In the late nineteenth century, the Academy grew rapidly. Numerous buildings were erected from the 1880s to the early 1900s. Most of the complex was located adjacent to St. Mary's Church. The acquisition of the Ives and Ilgenfritz farms on West Elm Avenue in the late nineteenth century provided a large site for expansion and the future construction of a Motherhouse.

The early twentieth century witnessed the greatest expansion of the Order and of the Academy. The Hall of the Divine Child, a boys school, was erected on the remote farmland on West Elm Avenue in 1916 far removed from the girls academy. In addition, the IHM Sisters established schools and colleges outside of Monroe including the still extant Marygrove College in Detroit, built in 1925-27. Unfortunately, at the peak of the Order's expansion, a disastrous fire destroyed the entire old academy complex adjacent to St. Mary's Church in June of 1929. Undaunted, the Sisters immediately undertook the construction of the present complex on the West Elm Avenue site. Construction began in March of 1931 and continued until June of 1932. Due to financial constraints imposed by the Great Depression, the final element of the complex, the Chapel, was not built until 1939.

In the early 1950s, the IHM Order included over 1,000 sisters who were employed teaching in 60 parochial grade schools and 38 high schools. Virtually all of the sisters were located in Michigan. Since that time, there has been a gradual decline in the population of the Order coincident with the decrease in attendance at parochial schools. This trend is exemplified by the recent history of the Hall of the Divine Child Boys' School. Established as a boarding school about 1915, the enrollment declined steadily in recent years until it closed in 1980 due to lack of patronage.

The St. Mary's Academy Complex is also architecturally significant as a fine twentieth century educational and ecclesiastical institution. The Motherhouse, Infirmary and Academy buildings constitute one of the finest Art Deco style assemblages in the state. These buildings appear to have been influenced by the work of Eliel Saarinen, the great Finnish-American architect, who was designing the educational complex at Cranbrook, outside of Detroit, at the same time. The tower of the Academy Building in particular is

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reminiscent of Saarinen's Chicago Tribune Tower competition entry of 1922, while other details of the complex, such as the stepped gables and dormers, are evocative of the Northern European Art Deco style popular in the Baltic countries in the teens and twenties of this century.

The complex was designed by the Indianapolis architecture firm of D. A. Bohlen & Son. The firm was well known in the Midwest for its numerous Catholic church, school and hospital commissions, including Marygrove College in Detroit, which it had designed for the I.H.M. Order in 1925-27. While the latter work reflected the historical eclecticism of Oscar D. Bohlen (?-1936) in its Tudor styling, it is likely that the more modern St. Mary's complex was the work of August C. Bohlen, Oscar's son and the third generation of Bohlens to head the firm. The Bohlen office remained active until at least World War II.

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St. Mary's Church Complex Historic District

Commencing at the northwest corner of the Church Plat; thence easterly along the south right-of-way of West Willow Street to the west right-of-way of North Monroe Street; thence southerly along the west right-of-way of North Monroe Street to the north right-of-way of West Elm Avenue; thence westerly along the north right-of-way of West Elm Avenue to the East right-of-way of St. Mary's Avenue extended; thence northerly along the east right-of-way of St. Mary's Avenue extended to the Point of Beginning.

St. Mary's Academy Historic District

Commencing at the northeast corner of Lot 38 of the Lavender Plat; thence easterly along the south right-of-way of Lorain Street extended to the northwest corner of Lot 108 of the Shadowlawn Heights Plat; thence southerly along the west lines of the Shadowlawn Heights and the Godfroy and Burch Plats to a point 150' north of the north right-of-way of West Elm Avenue; thence westerly along the rear property lines of parcels 6M-1499-1 and 6M-1500 205.5 feet to the northwest corner of parcel 6M-150; thence southerly along the west property line of parcel 6M-1500 to the north right-of-way of West Elm Avenue; thence westerly along the North right-of-way of West Elm Avenue to the east line of Lavender Plat; thence northerly along the east line of the Lavender Plat to the Point of Beginning.

New York Central River Raisin Railroad Bridge

Spanning the River Raisin between E. Front Street on the southside of the River and E. Elm Avenue on the north side of the river at a point fifty yards east of the Winchester Street Bridge. The nominated property includes only the bridge and abutments.

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I. Property: Old Village Historic District

Acreage: approx. 210 acres

Quadrangle Name: Monroe

Quadrangle Scale: 1:24000

UTM References:

A	17	300/360	4643/420
B	17	301/820	4642/800
C	17	301/440	4642/260
D	17	301/250	4642/400
E	17	301/080	4642/060
F	17	300/800	4642/280
G	17	300/860	4642/360
H	17	300/700	4642/470
I	17	300/960	4642/830
J	17	300/300	4643/270

II. Property: East Elm-North Macomb Street Historic District

Acreage: approx. 50 acres

Quadrangle Name: Monroe

Quadrangle Scale: 1:24000

UTM References:

A	17	301/400	4643/620
B	17	301/620	4643/520
C	17	301/720	4643/750
D	17	301/820	4643/720
E	17	301/580	4643/180
F	17	301/850	4643/060
G	17	301/800	4642/950
H	17	301/260	4643/170

III. Property: St. Mary's Church Complex Historic District

Acreage: approx. 3 acres

Quadrangle Name: Monroe

Quadrangle Scale: 1:24000

UTM References:

A	17	301/240	4643/350
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IV. Property: St. Mary's Academy Historic District

Acreage: approx. 69 acres

Quadrangle Name: Monroe

Quadrangle Scale: 1:24000

UTM References:

A	17	300/700	4644/200
B	17	301/120	4644/000
C	17	300/820	4643/450
D	17	300/480	4643/650

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Multiple Resource Area
Thematic Group

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Name City of Monroe Multiple Resource Area
State Michigan

Nomination/Type of Review

Date/Signature

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|-----|---|-------------------------------------|--------|--|
| 1. | Old Village Historic District | Entered in the
National Register | Keeper | <u>5/6/82</u> <u>Delores Byers</u> |
| | | | Attest | _____ |
| 2. | East Elm-North Macomb Street
Historic District | Entered in the
National Register | Keeper | <u>5/6/82</u> <u>Delores Byers</u> |
| | | | Attest | _____ |
| 3. | St. Mary's Church Complex
Historic District | Entered in the
National Register | Keeper | <u>5/6/82</u> <u>Delores Byers</u> |
| | | | Attest | _____ |
| 4. | St. Mary's Academy Historic
District | DOE/OWNER OBJECTION | Keeper | <u>Owner has objected 5/6/82</u>
<u>determined ineligible</u> |
| | | | Attest | _____ |
| 5. | New York Central River
Raisin Railroad Bridge | | Keeper | <u>Owner has objected 6/23/82</u>
<u>determined eligible</u> |
| | | | Attest | _____ |
| 6. | | | Keeper | _____ |
| | | | Attest | _____ |
| 7. | | | Keeper | _____ |
| | | | Attest | _____ |
| 8. | | | Keeper | _____ |
| | | | Attest | _____ |
| 9. | | | Keeper | _____ |
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| 10. | | | Keeper | _____ |
| | | | Attest | _____ |



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Monroe Multiple Resource Nomination
Monroe, Monroe County, Michigan

Photographer: Unknown

Date: 1981

Negative: Dept. of Community Development
City of Monroe
120 E. First Street
Monroe, MI. 48161

View: Looking west at the hall of the Divine Child;
St. Mary's Academy Historic District

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Monroe Multiple Resource Nomination
Monroe, Monroe County, Michigan

Photographer: Unknown

Date: 1981

Negative: Dept. of Community Development
City of Monroe
120 E. First Street
Monroe, MI. 48161

View: Detail of the entrance pavilion, Hall of the
Divine Child; St. Mary's Academy Historic
District

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Monroe Multiple Resource Nomination
Monroe, Monroe County, Michigan

Photographer: Unknown

Date: 1981

Negative: Dept. of Community Development
City of Monroe
120 E. First Street
Monroe, MI. 48161

View: Detail of front door, Hall of the Divine Child;
St. Mary's Academy Historic District

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Monroe Multiple Resource Nomination
Monroe, Monroe County, Michigan

Photographer: Unknown

Date: 1981

Negative: Dept. of Community Development
City of Monroe
120 E. First Street
Monroe, MI. 48161

View: Southeast facade of the Motherhouse of the
Order of the Servants of the Immaculate Heart
of Mary, 610 W. Elm Ave., St. Mary's
Academy Historic District

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Monroe Multiple Resource Nomination
Monroe, Monroe County, Michigan

Photographer: Unknown

Date: 1981

Negative: Dept. of Community Development
City of Monroe
120 E. First Street
Monroe, MI 48161

View: Entrance pavilion of the Motherhouse of the
Order of the Servants of the Immaculate Heart
of Mary, 610 W. Elm Avenue; St. Mary's
Academy Historic District.

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Monroe Multiple Resource Nomination
Monroe, Monroe County, Michigan

Photographer: Unknown

Date: 1981

Negative: Dept. of Community Development
City of Monroe
120 E. First Street
Monroe, MI 48161

View: End pavilion of the Motherhouse of the Order
of the Servants of the Immaculate Heart of
Mary, 610 W. Elm Avenue; St. Mary's Academy
Historic District.

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Monroe Multiple Resource Nomination
Monroe, Monroe County, Michigan

Photographer: Unknown

Date: 1981

Negative: Dept. of Community Development
City of Monroe
120 E. First St.
Monroe, MI 48161

View: Looking east at the apse of the Chapel of the
Motherhouse of the order of the Servants of
the Immaculate Heart of Mary; 610 W. Elm
Avenue; St. Mary's Academy Historic District.

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Monroe Multiple Resource Nomination
Monroe, Monroe County, Michigan

Photographer: Unknown

Date: 1981

Negative: Dept. of Community Development
City of Monroe
120 E. First St.
Monroe, MI 48161

View: Looking north at the facade of the Infirmary
of the Motherhouse of the order of the Servants
of the Immaculate Heart of Mary; 610 W. Elm
Avenue; St. Mary's Academy Historic District.

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Monroe Multiple Resource Nomination
Monroe, Monroe County, Michigan

Photographer: Unknown

Date: 1981

Negative: Dept. of Community Development
City of Monroe
120 E. First St.
Monroe, MI 48161

View: Looking north at the Academy Building, St.
Mary's Academy Historic District.

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Monroe Multiple Resource Nomination
Monroe, Monroe County, Michigan

Photographer: Unknown

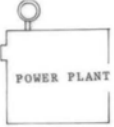
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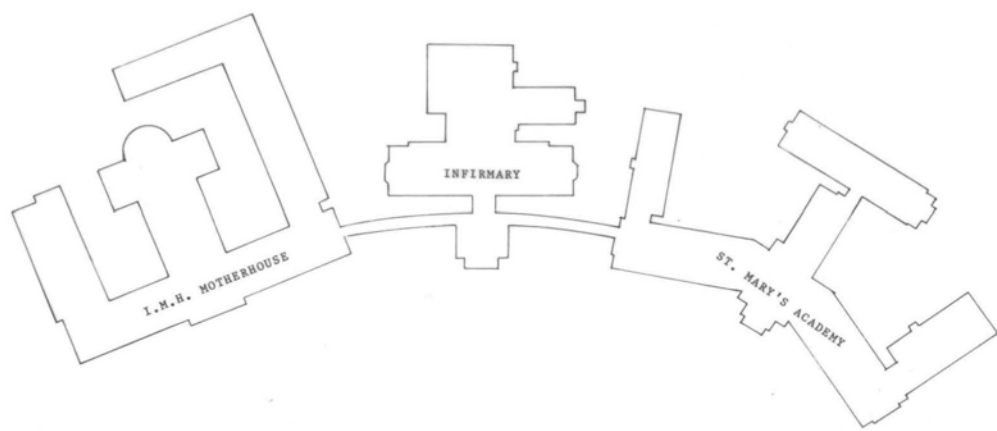
View: Detail of the entrance pavilion on the south
facade of the Academy Building; St. Mary's
Academy Historic District.

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Mason/Back



North

ST. MARY'S ACADEMY H.D.
Monroe, Monroe Co., Mi.

ELM AVE.

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

Multiple Property Cover Sheet Reference Number: 64000321

National Register of Historic Places
Memo to File

Correspondence

The Correspondence consists of communications from (and possibly to) the nominating authority, notes from the staff of the National Register of Historic Places, and/or other material the National Register of Historic Places received associated with the property.

Correspondence may also include information from other sources, drafts of the nomination, letters of support or objection, memorandums, and ephemera which document the efforts to recognize the property.

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
 EVALUATION / RETURN SHEET (City of Monroe MRA)

United States Department of the Interior
 National Park Service Y2005047

DOE/OWNER OBJECTION

Property: St. Marys Academy Historic District
 State, County: MI, Monroe
 Federal Agency: _____

Working No. 3/23/82-879
 Fed. Reg. Date: _____
 Date Due: 5/7/82
 Action: ACCEPT 5/6/82
 RETURN _____
 REJECT _____
 photos _____
 maps _____

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

Determined eligible

Substantive Review: sample request appeal NR decision

Reviewer's comments:

Recom./Criteria AHC
 Reviewer Neil Dodgson
 Discipline ARCHITECTURAL HISTORY
 Date 5/6/82
 see continuation sheet

Nomination returned for: technical corrections cited below
 substantive reasons discussed below

1. Name
2. Location
3. Classification
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"/> unaltered	<input type="checkbox"/> original site
<input type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input 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

- summary paragraph
- completeness
- clarity
- alterations/integrity
- dates
- boundary selection

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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 *GOOD ARCHITECTURAL AND HISTORICAL (PAROCHIAL SCHOOL/RELIGIOUS ORDERS) CONTEXT.*
- relationship of integrity to significance
- justification of exception
- other

9. Major Bibliographical References

10. Geographical Data

Acres 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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2-23-82

SISTERS, SERVANTS OF THE IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY
610 WEST ELM AVENUE
MONROE, MICHIGAN 48161
Telephone (313) 241-3660

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MICHIGAN HISTORY DIVISION

February 19, 1982

Dr. Martha M. Bigelow
Michigan History Division
Michigan Department of State
Lansing, Michigan 48918



Dear Dr. Bigelow:

This letter comes in response to yours of January 19, 1982, regarding the nomination of our property for listing in the National Register of Historic Places.

The Sisters, Servants of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, a Michigan non-profit educational corporation, is the sole owner of the property described in your letter as "St. Mary's Academy Historic District" and we hereby submit our objection to its listing. In submitting the objection, we would like to make clear that:

1. We do now and intend to continue to keep our property in a state worthy of it so as to maintain its historic quality. This we see as our obligation of stewardship and of civic responsibility.
2. We may in the future wish to request listing of certain portions of our property, such as the Hall of the Divine Child, and Ms. Eckert of your staff has assured us that this would be possible.
3. We object to the procedure followed in this nomination. Your letter was the first indication we had of the City of Monroe's intention to submit our property for listing. To this date we have not yet received the documentation we requested from your office and from the City about the implications of the listing. As citizens, as well as property owners, this concerns us.

We look forward to some response from you indicating the outcome of this matter.

Dr. Martha M. Bigelow
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February 19, 1982

Thank you for your attention to our concern.

Sincerely yours,

Sister Amata Miller

Sister Amata Miller
2nd Vice President

State of Michigan
County of Monroe

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged and signed before me this nineteenth day of February, 1982, by Sister Amata Miller, 2nd Vice President of Sisters, Servants of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, a Michigan Corporation, on behalf of the said corporation.

Harriet Anne Singelyn

Notary Public, Monroe, County

HARRIET ANNE SINGELYN
Notary Public, Monroe County, Michigan
My Commission Expires February 7, 1984

DETERMINED ELIGIBLE FOR THE NATIONAL REGISTER

STATE MICHIGAN

MAY 6 1982

DATE DETERMINED

Name

Location

St. Mary's Academy Historic District
(Monroe MKA)

Monroe
Monroe County

Also Notified

NPS Regional Office: Midwest
Advisory Council on Historic Preservation
1522 K Street, NW
Suite 430
Washington, DC 20005

State Historic Preservation Officer
Dr. Martha Bigelow
Director
Michigan History Division
Department of State
Lansing, MI 48918

NR/DOE cmb 5/14/82

For further information, please call the National Register at (202)272-3504.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

Requested Action: Nomination

Property Name: St. Mary's Academy Historic District

Multiple Name: City of Monroe MRA

State & County: MICHIGAN, Monroe

Date Received: 5/29/2019 Date of Pending List: Date of 16th Day: Date of 45th Day: 7/15/2019 Date of Weekly List:

Reference number: 82005047

Nominator:

Reason For Review:

X Accept Return Reject 6/12/2019 Date

Abstract/Summary Comments: Owner objection lifted. The district remains substantially as it was when originally nominated. The documentation, though, could stand to be updated to current standards.

Recommendation/ Criteria: Accept / A & C

Reviewer Jim Gabbert Discipline Historian

Telephone (202)354-2275 Date _____

DOCUMENTATION: see attached comments : No see attached SLR : No

If a nomination is returned to the nomination authority, the nomination is no longer under consideration by the National Park Service.



Deep Faith. Courageous Spirit. Action for Justice.

May 13, 2019

Mr. Todd Walsh, National Register Coordinator
State Historic Preservation Office
Michigan State Housing Development Authority
735 E. Michigan Avenue
PO Box 30044
Lansing, MI 48909

Dear Mr. Walsh,

I am writing regarding the "Saint Mary's Academy Historic District" included in the City of Monroe Multiple Resource Nomination entered into the Register on May 6, 1982. In 1982, the Saint Mary's Academy Historic District was determined eligible by the Keeper.

The IHM Sisters wish to remove the existing owner objection from 1982 to the inclusion of the "Saint Mary's Academy Historic District" in the City of Monroe nomination. We may seek the listing of certain portions of our property in a subsequent nomination and the Michigan State Historic Preservation Office has assured us this is possible.

For your reference I have included a copy of the original objection letter dated Feb. 19, 1982.

If you need any additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Thank you.

Mary Jane Herb, IHM, PhD
President
Sisters, Servants of the Immaculate Heart of Mary

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MICHIGAN HISTORY DIVISION

February 19, 1982

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Michigan History Division
Michigan Department of State
Lansing, Michigan 48918

Dear Dr. Bigelow:

This letter comes in response to yours of January 19, 1982, regarding the nomination of our property for listing in the National Register of Historic Places.

The Sisters, Servants of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, a Michigan non-profit educational corporation, is the sole owner of the property described in your letter as "St. Mary's Academy Historic District" and we hereby submit our objection to its listing. In submitting the objection, we would like to make clear that:

1. We do now and intend to continue to keep our property in a state worthy of it so as to maintain its historic quality. This we see as our obligation of stewardship and of civic responsibility.
2. We may in the future wish to request listing of certain portions of our property, such as the Hall of the Divine Child, and Ms. Eckert of your staff has assured us that this would be possible.
3. We object to the procedure followed in this nomination. Your letter was the first indication we had of the City of Monroe's intention to submit our property for listing. To this date we have not yet received the documentation we requested from your office and from the City about the implications of the listing. As citizens, as well as property owners, this concerns us.

We look forward to some response from you indicating the outcome of this matter.

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Dr. Martha M. Bigelow
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February 19, 1982

Thank you for your attention to our concern.

Sincerely yours,

Sister Amata Miller

Sister Amata Miller
2nd Vice President

State of Michigan
County of Monroe

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged and signed before me this nineteenth day of February, 1982, by Sister Amata Miller, 2nd Vice President of Sisters, Servants of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, a Michigan Corporation, on behalf of the said corporation.

Harriet Anne Singelyn
Notary Public, Monroe, County

HARRIET ANNE SINGELYN
Notary Public, Monroe County, Michigan
My Commission Expires February 7, 1984



WITNESSING OR ATTESTING A SIGNATURE

State of Michigan } ss.
County of Lenawee }
Acting in Monroe County, MI

Signed (or attested) before me on May 16, 2019 by
Date

Mary Jane Herb, IHM
Name(s) of Individual(s)

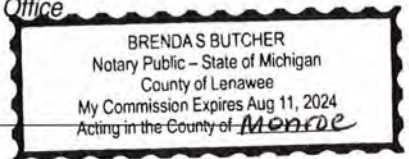
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Brenda S Butcher
Signature of Notarial Officer

Notary Public
Title of Office

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My commission expires



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May 20, 2019

Ms. Joy Beasley, Keeper
National Park Service
National Register of Historic Places
1849 C Street, NW, Mail Stop 7228
Washington, DC 20240

Dear Ms. Beasley:

The enclosed disc contains the true and correct copy of the additional documentation sheets for the **St. Mary's Academy Historic District, Monroe, Monroe County, Michigan**. This property is being submitted for listing in the National Register of Historic Places. This nomination is a ___ New Submission ___ Resubmission ___ Additional Documentation ___ Removal.

- 1 Signed National Register of Historic Places Registration Form (Disc 1)
- Locational maps (Disc 1)
- Sketch map(s) / figures(s) / exhibits(s) (Disc 1)
- 4 Pieces of correspondence (Disc 1)
- Digital photographs (Disc 2)
- Other:

COMMENTS:

- Please insure that this nomination is reviewed.
- This property has been certified under 36 CFR 67.
- The enclosed owner objections constitute a majority of property owners.
- Other:

Questions concerning this nomination should be addressed to Todd A. Walsh, National Register Coordinator, at (517) 373-1979 or walsht@michigan.gov.

Sincerely yours,

Brian D. Conway
State Historic Preservation Officer