

FORM B - BUILDING

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
Office of the Secretary, State House, Boston

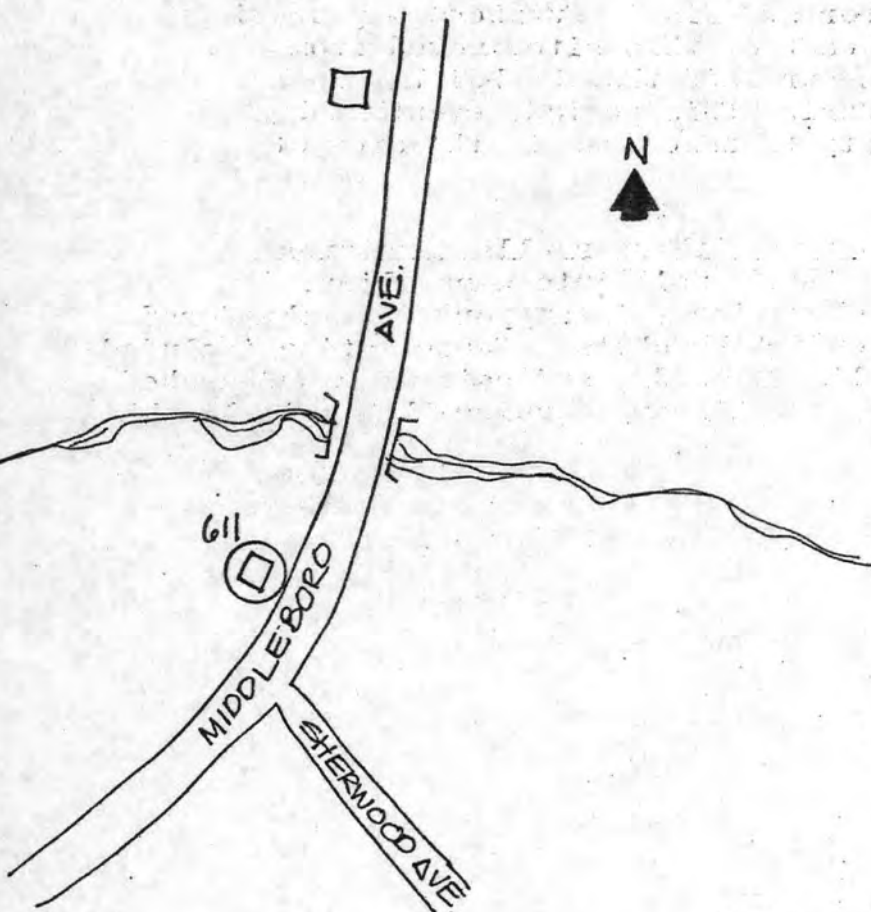
In Area no.

Form no.

611

2. Photo (3x3" or 3x5")
Staple to left side of form
Photo number _____

4. Map. Draw sketch of building location
in relation to nearest cross streets and
other buildings. Indicate north.



1. Town Taunton ✓

Address 1150 Middleboro Ave. ✓

Name N. S. Williams House ✓

Present use Residence

Present owner B. Stanton

3. Description:

Date c. 1855

Source Style, Deeds

Style Italianate

Architect Unknown

Exterior wall fabric Clapboards

Outbuildings (describe) None

Other features See attached.

Altered No Date _____

Moved No Date _____

5. Lot size: ^{PLAN-44} WARD - 4 BLK - 59 LOT - 18

One acre or less _____ Over one acre ☒

Approximate frontage 420'

Approximate distance of building from street

35'

6. Recorded by T.W.

Organization T.C.H.S

Date 11/5/79

UTM: 19/333990/4638380

(over)

7. Original owner (if known) N.S. Williams
Original use Residence
Subsequent uses (if any) and dates N/A

8. Themes (check as many as applicable)

Aboriginal	☐	Conservation	☐	Recreation	☐
Agricultural	☐	Education	☐	Religion	☐
Architectural	☒	Exploration/ settlement	☐	Science/ invention	☐
The Arts	☐	Industry	☐	Social/ humanitarian	☐
Commerce	☐	Military	☐	Transportation	☐
Communication	☐	Political	☐		
Community development	☐				

9. Historical significance (include explanation of themes checked above)

This structure is a fine example of a cross-gabled Italianate Style house which retains all period trim and details, including an elaborate bracketed porch. It is among the five best examples of the Italianate Style extant in Taunton.

Between the years 1854 and 1858, N.S. Williams, a land-owner and rural mills operator at "King's Furnace", a pond-side industrial development northeast of this site, moved from Lakeville to Taunton. It is surmised that he built this structure as his residence during this period, even though there are no recorded property transactions in the area at the time.

Description: The 2½-story house, with rear ell, features a central gable, raising the facade wall into a pavilion. A 1-story porch, covering 2 elevations, is supported on chamfered posts and ornamented with pendant brackets. Fenestration includes 2/2 windows with cap-molded lintelboards, and paired, round-arched gable windows. A large bulls-eye window occupies the central gable of the facade.

Possessing integrity of location, design, setting, materials, workmanship and association, the N.S. Williams House meets criteria C of the National Register of Historic Places as one of a small number of well-preserved, carefully detailed Italianate houses remaining. Boundaries conform to present lot lines.

10. Bibliography and/or references (such as local histories, deeds, assessor's records, early maps, etc.)

Dunbar, 1836
Beers, 1871
Walker, 1881
Bristol Co. Atlas of Surveys, 1895

Bristol Co. Registry of Deeds

United States Department of the Interior
National Park ServiceNational Register of Historic Places
Inventory—Nomination Form

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Continuation sheet

Item number

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Multiple Resource Area
Thematic GroupName Taunton Multiple Resource Area
State Bristol County, MASSACHUSETTS

Nomination/Type of Review

Date/Signature

81. Williams, Abiathar King, House

Entered in the
National Register

for Keeper

Delores Byers 7/5/84

Attest

82. Williams, Enoch, House

Entered in the
National Register

for Keeper

Delores Byers 7/5/84

Attest

83. Williams, Francis D., House

Entered in the
National Register

for Keeper

Delores Byers 7/5/84

Attest

84. Williams, N. S., House

Entered in the
National Register

for Keeper

Delores Byers 7/5/84

Attest

85. Willis, Joseph, House

Entered in the
National Register

for Keeper

Delores Byers 7/5/84

Attest

86. Winslow Congregational Church

Entered in the
National Register

for Keeper

Delores Byers 7/5/84

Attest

87. Winthrop Street Baptist
ChurchEntered in the
National Register

for Keeper

Delores Byers 7/5/84

Attest

88. Lawrence, William, House

Entered in the
National Register

for Keeper

Delores Byers 7/10/85

Attest

89. Neck of Land

Entered in the
National Register

for Keeper

Delores Byers 7/10/85

Attest

90. Taunton State Hospital

Keeper

Attest

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

Williams, N.S., House, (Taunton MRA)
Bristol County
MASSACHUSETTS

Working No. MAY 21 1984
Fed. Reg. Date: 2.5.85
Date Due: 6-21-84 / 7-5-84
Action: ACCEPT 7-5-84
RETURN
REJECT
Federal Agency: _____

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

Entered in the
National Register

Substantive Review: ☐ sample ☐ request ☐ appeal ☐ NR decision

Reviewer's comments:

Recom./Criteria _____
Reviewer _____
Discipline _____
Date _____
_____ see continuation sheet

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

1. Name

2. Location

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
	Public Acquisition	Accessible	

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
☐ excellent	☐ deteriorated	☐ original site
☐ good	☐ ruins	☐ moved date _____
☐ fair	☐ unexposed	
	☐ unaltered	
	☐ altered	

Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

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

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
- ☐ relationship of integrity to significance
- ☐ justification of exception
- ☐ other

9. Major Bibliographical References

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property _____

Quadrangle name _____

UTM 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: _____



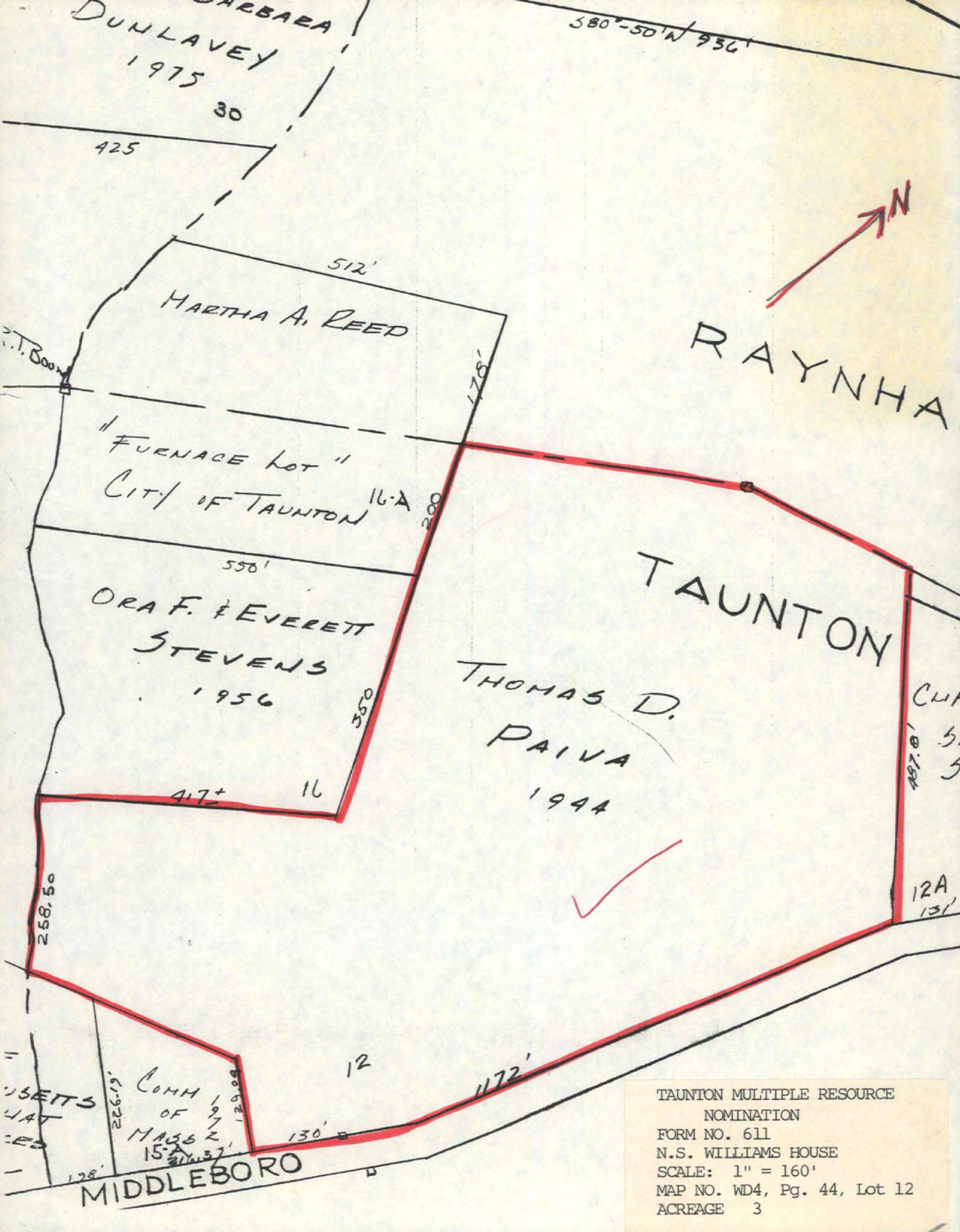
#611 Williams, N. S., House
Taunton, MA, Ma

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TAUNTON MULTIPLE RESOURCE
NOMINATION
FORM NO. 611
N.S. WILLIAMS HOUSE
SCALE: 1" = 160'
MAP NO. WD4, Pg. 44, Lot 12
ACREAGE 3

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

Multiple Property Cover Sheet Reference Number: 64000297