

FORM B - BUILDING

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
80 BOYLSTON STREET
BOSTON, MA 02116

Barnstable, MA MRA

AREA

FORM NO.

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

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 assessors' map

Town Barnstable (Cotuit-Santuit)

Address 4766 Falmouth Road

Historic Name Gideon Hawley House

Use: Present dwelling

Original dwelling

DESCRIPTION

Date c. 1758

Source Santuit/Cotuit Historical Society

Style late Georgian

Architect unknown

Exterior Wall Fabric shingle

Outbuildings none

Major Alterations (with dates) pergola

~~portico: E20th c.; interior gutted, 1986~~

Condition fair-good

Moved back on lot Date 1920s

Acreage .50 9/4

Setting residential/commercial node on

heavily trafficked road (Rte. 28)

UTM REFERENCE 19/37886D/4610200

USGS QUADRANGLE Cotuit, MA

SCALE 1:25,000

Recorded by Candace Jenkins

Organization Barnstable Historical Comm.

Date 1986

Photo #81-13-A7

NATIONAL REGISTER CRITERIA STATEMENT (if applicable)

The Gideon Hawley House possesses integrity of location, design, setting, materials, workmanship, feeling and association. It is significant primarily for its associations with the 18th century movement to Christianize Native Americans, and with its original owner, the Reverend Gideon Hawley, who was pastor to the Marshpee Indians. The house thus meets criteria A and B of the National Register of Historic Places.

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

The Hawley House is an asymmetrical four bay, 2 1/2 story house enclosed by a gable roof with rebuilt offset chimney. Fenestration of the facade is asymmetrical and the entry is offset to the west. Windows have narrow moldings whose lintels project slightly at the first story, and are widened at the second to meet the cornice; all contain 6/6 sash. The entry is framed by pilasters whose original Corinthian capitals have been obscured by addition of a pergola porch in the early 20th century. The rear western kitchen ell is probably a 19th century addition. If the early date ascribed to this house is correct, it has undergone numerous changes. Due to its asymmetrical facade, it is likely that it originated as a half house, possible at 1 1/2 story cottage height; window frames and sash would also have been changed. Architecturally, this is the least imposing of the full two story Georgian and Federal period houses in Santuit.

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

This house was built by the Rev. Gideon Hawley (1727-1807) who was a native of Connecticut. He graduated from Yale College in 1749, was ordained in 1751 and was sent to Stockbridge, Mass. by the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel where he was under the supervision of the great Jonathan Edwards. After a short term with the Stockbridge Indians, he was sent to minister to the New York Indians of the Seven Nations and became chaplain to the army in Col. Richard Gridley's company during the Indian Wars. Ill health made it necessary for him to be transferred to Marshpee before 1758. He seems to have been popular with Native Americans in both New York and Massachusetts. The Marshpee Indians petitioned King George for 5 acres to be given to him in 1760. In 1780 they again petitioned the Supreme Court of Massachusetts Bay Colony for an additional 30 acres including marsh and meadow. He married Lucy Fessenden of Sandwich in 1759. She died in 1794 and he married Elizabeth Burchard of Nantucket. The house was probably built about 1758 to be near the village of Cotuit and on the stage road from Barnstable to Sandwich and Falmouth. The house was originally closer to the road but was moved back during a road widening project in 1920. Timothy Dwight, president of Yale, called upon Rev. Hawley during his tour of New England, and describes stopping there during the minister's son James' last illness. The Hawleys occupied the house until the death of Gideon, Sr. in 1807. Later owners were Robert Fuller (1839-1908) and Julia Fuller (1855-91). Its most recent long term occupant was Mrs. Dora Nickerson who bought it in 1928 and died there in 1979. She thought that a burial ground had been uncovered on the property when the house was moved in 1920, but no recent evidence has been found to corroborate this.

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

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Multiple Resource Area
Thematic GroupName Barnstable MRA
State Barnstable Co., MA

Nomination/Type of Review

Date/Signature

51. Hallett, Seth, House

~~Substantive Review~~

Keeper

Attest

Patrick Andrews 9/18/87

Beth L. Savage 9/18/87

52. Hallett, Capt. William,
House~~Substantive Review~~

Keeper

Attest

Patrick Andrews 9/18/87

Beth L. Savage 9/18/87

53. Harlow Homestead

~~Substantive Review~~

Keeper

Attest

Patrick Andrews 9/18/87

Beth L. Savage 9/18/87

54. Hawley, Gideon, House

~~Substantive Review~~

Keeper

Attest

Patrick Andrews 3/13/87

Beth L. Savage 3/13/87

55. Hinckley, Capt. Joseph,
House~~Entered in the
National Register~~

Keeper

Attest

Shelene Byrum 3/13/87

56. Hinckley Homestead

~~Substantive Review~~

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57. Hinckley, Nymphus, House

~~Entered in the
National Register~~

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58. Hinckley, S. Alexander,
House~~Substantive Review~~

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59. Hyannis National Guard
Return Armory Battery D of the
685th AAA Battalion~~Substantive Review~~

Keeper

Attest

60. Isham, Herman, House

~~Entered in the
National Register~~

Keeper

Attest

Shelene Byrum 3/13/87

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

Hawley, Gideon, House (Barnstable MRA)
Barnstable County
MASSACHUSETTS

Substantive Review

Working No. JAN 27 1987
Fed. Reg. Date: 2/2/88
Date Due: 2/26/87 - 3/13/87
Action: ACCEPT 3-13-87
RETURN
REJECT
Federal Agency: _____

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

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

Reviewer's comments:

*Locally important for
associations w/ original owner
Rev. Gideon Hawley and the
18th century movement to
Christianize Native Americans.*

Recom./Criteria Accept A+B
Reviewer Savage
Discipline Architectural History
Date 3/13/87
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	

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: _____



Barnstable, Mass. MRA

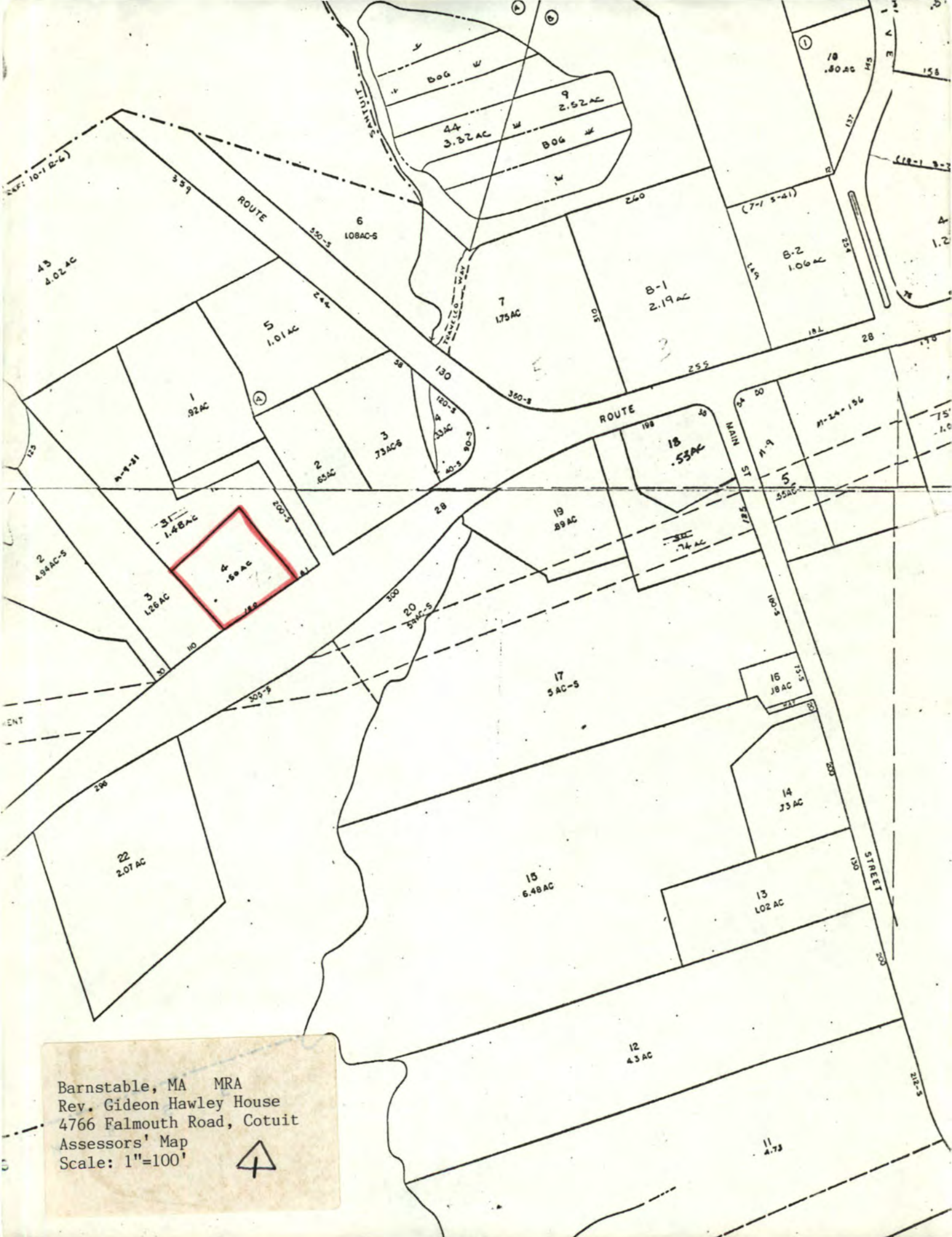
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Please refer to the map in the
Multiple Property Cover Sheet
for this property

Multiple Property Cover Sheet Reference Number: 64000271