

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY - NOMINATION FORM

(Type all entries - complete applicable sections)

STATE:	Massachusetts
COUNTY:	Hampden
FOR NPS USE ONLY	
ENTRY DATE	

1. NAME			
COMMON: West Springfield Common Historic District (use for publication)			
AND/OR HISTORIC: Broadway			
2. LOCATION			
STREET AND NUMBER: The Common and properties fronting on Park Street, numbered 70 to 200			
CITY OR TOWN: West Springfield		CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT: 1st	
STATE Massachusetts	CODE 025	COUNTY: Hampden	CODE 013
3. CLASSIFICATION			
CATEGORY (Check One)		OWNERSHIP	STATUS
☒ District ☐ Building ☐ Site ☐ Structure ☐ Object		☐ Public ☐ Private ☒ Both	☒ Occupied ☐ Unoccupied ☐ Preservation work in progress
PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)		ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC	
☐ Agricultural ☐ Government ☒ Park ☐ Commercial ☐ Industrial ☒ Private Residence ☒ Educational ☐ Military ☒ Religious ☐ Entertainment ☒ Museum ☐ Scientific		☐ Transportation ☐ Comments ☐ Other (Specify) _____ _____ _____	
4. OWNER OF PROPERTY			
OWNER'S NAME: Multiple			
STREET AND NUMBER: Multiple-see above			
CITY OR TOWN: Springfield		STATE: Massachusetts	CODE 025
5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION			
COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC: Hampden County Registry of Deeds			
STREET AND NUMBER: Elm Street		STATE: Massachusetts	CODE 025
6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS			
TITLE OF SURVEY: Inventory of Historic Assets of the Commonwealth			
DATE OF SURVEY: 1977 ☐ Federal ☒ State ☐ County ☐ Local			
DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS: Massachusetts Historical Commission			
STREET AND NUMBER: 40 Beacon Street		STATE: Massachusetts	CODE 025

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7. DESCRIPTION

CONDITION	(Check One)					
	☒ Excellent	☐ Good	☐ Fair	☐ Deteriorated	☐ Ruins	☐ Unexposed
	(Check One)			(Check One)		
	☒ Altered	☐ Unaltered	☐ Moved	☒ Original Site		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (If known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The West Springfield Common Historic District is comprised of the West Springfield Common and the properties numbered 70 through 200 on Park Street. The Common is bounded on the north by Park Street and on the south by Park Avenue, on the east by Route 5 and on the west by Western Avenue. The properties that flank it on the north are (east to west): the Day House, an early 20th c. Tudor house, the First Congregational Church, the Park Street Cemetery, the William A. Cowing School, and the West Springfield Library.

The Common had its beginning more than three hundred years ago. Records indicate that roads were planned in 1657, one of which was to lead from the "Hay Place" to the Agawam River. The "Hay Place", located on the east side of the Common, was used to store and transport hay across the Connecticut River to Springfield residents who owned farmland on the west side of the river. Undoubtedly, construction of roads soon followed after the plans for them were recorded. For over 200 years, the whole area now occupied by Park Street, Park Avenue, and the Common, was a single broad thoroughfare called Broadway. In 1866 Colonel Edward Parsons, who lived on the south side of the Common, was instrumental in laying out the green in a park-like manner. It is now divided into four green areas of miscellaneous sizes, stretching approximately 5 blocks. It is planted with a multitude of large shade trees, shrubs and flowers, and paved walkways run throughout. There are no structures on the Common, but there are five markers in different locations.

The Josiah Day House, 1754, is a 2 story brick salt box. It is 2 bays wide and 1 bay deep with a 1 story ridge roof ell attached to the back. Windows are 12/8 sash and almost all of them are engulfed in the ivy which covers the house. There is a dated brick (1754) set into the east exterior wall. The house is unaltered and in excellent condition. All of its six main rooms contain at least one full wall of paneling and sheathing.

Next to the Day House is a stucco, Tudor influenced 20th c. house. Beyond is the First Congregational Church, built in 1872, and the third to house the First Congregational Parish. Designed by the local firm of Perkins and Gardner, it is a spired brick Gothic style church with billets highlighting the spire and the arched first floor windows. The church originally contained an auditorium, a lecture room, a social parlor, and a kitchen. In 1957 a new wing was added which contains Sunday school rooms, church offices, a parlor, library, new kitchen, and a large hall. The pews are black walnut with crimson upholstery. The facade retains its original rose oculus; other windows, once plain and leaded, were replaced with stained glass in 1948. The original spire, removed in 1947, was replaced with an exact replica in 1954.

c. 1757

The Park Street Cemetery has also been known as the Town House or Meeting-house Burying Ground because of its location near the original Meetinghouse. It was the third burial ground to be established in the town, and contains remains of the Reverend Lathrop family and the Day family.

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7. DESCRIPTION (CONT'D)

The William A. Cowing School, c. 1915, is a brick Art Deco structure with granite trim, typical of school structures of the period. The facade is composed of three pavillions, the central one housing the arched granite entrance topped by a clock and flanked by two crenellated towers. A granite stringcourse runs along the roofline and is topped by one modified triangular pediment on the east and west elevations, and two of the same on the facade.

The West Springfield Library, built simultaneously with the school, was paid for by Carnegie Foundation funds. The architect was Edward Tilton, a leading library architect of the time, who designed over 60 libraries in the northeast. Tilton apprenticed with McKim, Meade and White and his design reflects influences of the Boston Public Library. This 1½ story structure is neo-Renaissance with an arcaded facade containing 7 bays. A Tuscan pilaster flanks each of the arched windows and the doorway, and defines each corner of the main structure. Three square windows top each bay, running between the stringcourse and the cornice. The roof is red Spanish tile and a white cornice with antifixae encircles the building. The structure is composed of ochre brick with granite stringcourse and arched keystone window caps. An ell was added to the rear of the building in 1957.



8. SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

☐ Pre-Columbian

☐ 16th Century

☒ 18th Century

☒ 20th Century

☐ 15th Century

☒ 17th Century

☒ 19th Century

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known) 1654

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

Aboriginal

☒ Education

☐ Political

☒ Urban Planning

☐ Prehistoric

☐ Engineering

☒ Religion/Phi-

☐ Other (Specify)

☐ Historic

☐ Industry

losophy

☐ Agriculture

☐ Invention

☐ Science

☒ Architecture

☐ Landscape

☐ Sculpture

☐ Art

Architecture

☐ Social/Human-

☐ Commerce

☐ Literature

itarian

☐ Communications

☒ Military

☐ Theater

☐ Conservation

☐ Music

☐ Transportation

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The West Springfield Common Historic District is significant for 2 reasons: 1) the area has been the focal point in the historic development of the town, and 2) it provides an attractive and enjoyable open space in an otherwise dense commercial-residential area.

The Common itself has served the town in many different capacities. During 1775 it was used as a training ground for the militia, and 53 men mustered there on April 20, 1775 to march to Boston, after word came of the Battle of Lexington. The Common also served as a drilling ground in 1787, when Luke Day gathered his fellow townsmen to take part in Shay's Rebellion. In the first part of the 19th c., the Common hosted a bandstand, and summer evening concerts were a regular enjoyment for the townspeople.

Now the Common is used primarily as a leisure area for town visitors and residents. Its green lawns and shade trees provide a welcome refuge from the dense and heavily trafficked urban area that surrounds it. It is also the focal point of Christmas celebrations, a huge community Christmas tree being placed in its center every year. Also appearing regularly on the Common are thermometers or other suitable indications of the progress of various community charity drives.

The Common and its markers and the properties flanking the Common on Park Street are all examples of significant eras in the town's development, from the 17th c. founding up to the early 20th c. The five markers acknowledge: the location of the first school, the location of the first meetinghouse, the passing of General Henry Knox and his army in 1775, the Hessian encampment of 1777, and the W.W.II dead. On Park Street, the Day House, in particular, is noteworthy. Not only is it said to be the only brick salt box existing in New England, but it is also unaltered and in excellent condition. The Day family occupied the house for 150 years and it contains a collection of furnishings from the 17th, 18th, and 19th centuries. Together with the church, cemetery, school, library and Common, it provides an important and attractive educational and cultural resource for the entire town.

SEE INSTRUCTIONS

9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

1. Swift, Esther, West Springfield: A Town History, West Springfield, 1969.
2. Broadway Historical District Report, West Springfield, 1973

10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY			O R	LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING THE CENTER POINT OF A PROPERTY OF LESS THAN TEN ACRES		
CORNER	LATITUDE	LONGITUDE		LATITUDE	LONGITUDE	
	Degrees Minutes Seconds	Degrees Minutes Seconds		Degrees	Minutes	Seconds
NW	42° 06' 17"	72° 37' 28"		°	'	"
NE	42° 06' 31"	72° 37' 02"		°	'	"
SE	42° 06' 25"	72° 36' 58"				
SW	42° 06' 12"	72° 37' 24"				

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY: approx. 16 acres

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE:	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
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11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE:		DATE
Mindy Arbo, for Elizabeth Amadon, State Survey Director		12/11/73
ORGANIZATION		
Massachusetts Historical Commission		
STREET AND NUMBER:		
40 Beacon Street		
CITY OR TOWN:	STATE	CODE
Boston 617-727-8470	Massachusetts	02108 025

12. STATE LIAISON OFFICER CERTIFICATION

NATIONAL REGISTER VERIFICATION

As the designated State Liaison 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. The recommended level of significance of this nomination is:

National ☐ State ☒ Local ☐

Name Honorable John F.X. Davoren
 Title Secretary of the Commonwealth
Chairman, Massachusetts Historical Commission

Date 4/10/74

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

Director, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation

Date _____

ATTEST:

Keeper of The National Register

Date _____

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PROPERTY MAP FORM

(Type all entries - attach to or enclose with map)

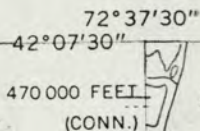
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3. MAP REFERENCE			
SOURCE: USGS Springfield South, Mass.-Conn.			
SCALE: 1:24,000			
DATE: 1958			
4. REQUIREMENTS			
TO BE INCLUDED ON ALL MAPS			
1. Property boundaries where required.			
2. North arrow.			
3. Latitude and longitude reference.			

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(MOUNT TOM)

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HOLYOKE 5.8 MI.

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This is a detailed topographic map of West Springfield, Massachusetts, and its surrounding areas. The map shows the Westfield River flowing through the center, with Westfield Island and Meadows in the foreground. Key locations include West Springfield, North End, Liberty Heights, and Brightwood. Major roads like Main St, Boston Ave, and Springfield St are clearly marked. The map also shows various landmarks such as the Springfield Hospital, Lincoln Sch, and the Exposition Grounds. The map is oriented with North at the top and includes a scale bar indicating 2.7 miles.

NW	42°	06'	17"
NE	42°	06'	31"
SE	42°	06'	26½"
SW	42°	06'	12½"

NW	72°	37'	28"
NE	72°	37'	02"
SE	72°	36'	58"
SW	72°	37'	24"

PROPERTY	West Springfield Common Historic District STATE mass.	
WORKING NUMBER	4.16.74.603	
TECH REVIEW	PHOTOS <u>3</u>	
	MAPS <u>2</u>	

CONTROL REVIEW	OK	cm 4.18.74
HISTORIAN	Cowing School cannot be Art Deco - chronologically too early. Statement of sign. does not touch on architecture. Why isn't landscape arch. mentioned? More basic, I have serious questions about this as district; why isn't south border boundary include?	RETURN HJ and 7/15/74
ARCHITECTURAL HISTORIAN	I'm not convinced from the write-up & photos that this is a district. Why are the properties south of the common not included? Mindy Albo 7/15 - its all 20th commercial, etc. - according to her, the boundaries are clearly evident when you are there.	Return JCT 7/15/74
ARCHEOLOGIST		
REVIEW UNIT CHIEF		Return Cole 7/30/74
BRANCH CHIEF		
KEEPER		

National Register Write-up _____
Federal Register entry _____

Send-back 8.23.74

Re-submit _____

Entered _____

properties on Park Ave. ? more photos needed. Return
/ will write letter to state. ~~Hejamer~~
7/15/74

talked to Mindy
about this 8/5/74

WRITE-UP COMMENT
SHEET
(leave attached to nomination)

Mass.

PROPERTY:

West Springfield Common Historic District ---

If there are comments (negative or positive) which will affect the write up, please indicate them below.

NAME:

LOCATION:

DESCRIPTION:

STYLE OR CULTURE:

DATE AND INSTIGATOR (builder, architect, group, engineer, etc.):

PRESENT CONDITION (altered, covered, ruins, deteriorated--archeological):

SIGNIFICANCE (specify paragraph or line):

SURVEY RECORDS (is form correct?):

COMMENTS:

PH0058041

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
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TYPE ALL ENTRIES -- COMPLETE APPLICABLE SECTIONS

1 NAMEHISTORIC Josiah Day HouseAND/OR COMMON
same**2 LOCATION**

STREET & NUMBER 70 Park Street

CITY, TOWN West Springfield VICINITY OF 1st

STATE Massachusetts CODE 025 COUNTY Hampden CODE 013

3 CLASSIFICATION**CATEGORY**

☐ DISTRICT
☒ BUILDING(S)
☐ STRUCTURE
☐ SITE
☐ OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

☐ PUBLIC
☒ PRIVATE

☐ BOTH**PUBLIC ACQUISITION**

☐ IN PROCESS
☐ BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

☒ OCCUPIED
☐ UNOCCUPIED
☐ WORK IN PROGRESS
ACCESSIBLE
☒ YES: RESTRICTED
☐ YES: UNRESTRICTED
☐ NO

PRESENT USE

☐ AGRICULTURE ☒ MUSEUM
☐ COMMERCIAL ☐ PARK
☒ EDUCATIONAL ☐ PRIVATE RESIDENCE
☐ ENTERTAINMENT ☐ RELIGIOUS
☐ GOVERNMENT ☐ SCIENTIFIC
☐ INDUSTRIAL ☐ TRANSPORTATION
☐ MILITARY ☐ OTHER:

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME Ramapogue Historic Society

STREET & NUMBER 70 Park Street

CITY, TOWN West Springfield VICINITY OF Mass STATE 01084

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC. Hampden County Registry of Deeds

STREET & NUMBER 55 Elm Street

CITY, TOWN Springfield STATE Massachusetts

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE Inventory of the Historic Assets of the Commonwealth

DATE 1974 ☐ FEDERAL ☒ STATE ☐ COUNTY ☐ LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS Massachusetts Historical Commission

CITY, TOWN Boston STATE Massachusetts 02108

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION

☒ EXCELLENT
☐ GOOD
☐ FAIR

☐ DETERIORATED
☐ RUINS
☐ UNEXPOSED

CHECK ONE

☐ UNALTERED
☒ ALTERED

CHECK ONE

☒ ORIGINAL SITE
☐ MOVED DATE _____

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Josiah Day House was built in 1754 according to a dated brick set in the east wall. It is believed to be the only existing unaltered brick saltbox house in the country and is certainly the oldest brick building in the county. The house is situated on a lot approximately one acre in size, and the south facade looks out over the common. Twentieth century houses surround the Day House, but the area is pleasant, and the streets are tree lined.

The main section of the house is brick, two stories high, shingled, with a ridge roof and a central clustered chimney. The facade is three bays wide with a central slightly recessed doorway. Four of the windows are 12/8 sash with plain trim and the fifth window, over the front door, is 9/6, also with plain trim. The side elevations, containing the integral saltbox roofline, are two bays wide, and each elevation contains five windows.

The wooden ell, one story high, has a ridge roof with one chimney. The ell has eight windows of various sizes and shapes, and three doors. The ell is at least as long as the facade of the house, and extends back from the west half of the rear elevation of the brick structure.

The interior of the house retains much of its original hardware, including many butterfly and "H" hinges, the original interior shutters, and some original furniture. The house has five rooms, each with a fireplace. The first floor has two front chambers, and a large kitchen in the rear, with adjoining burning room and buttery. The kitchen and buttery walls have vertical linen fold sheathing from the late seventeenth century. The second floor has two bedchambers with storage areas under the saltbox roof; the east bedchamber contains a full fireplace wall with raised paneling typical of the eighteenth century, the west room holds a built-in architectonic cupboard with a glazed door. Each of the five rooms in the main house has at least one wall with decorative paneling or sheathing.

The house is now used as a museum, with three of the rooms containing period furnishings, and two being used to hold historical exhibits. The two and one half rooms in the ell are used as the caretaker's quarters.

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4-7-78

8 SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW

☐ PREHISTORIC	☐ ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	☐ COMMUNITY PLANNING	☐ LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	☐ RELIGION
☐ 1400-1499	☐ ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	☐ CONSERVATION	☐ LAW	☐ SCIENCE
☐ 1500-1599	☐ AGRICULTURE	☐ ECONOMICS	☐ LITERATURE	☐ SCULPTURE
☐ 1600-1699	☒ ARCHITECTURE	☒ EDUCATION	☐ MILITARY	☐ SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
☒ 1700-1799	☐ ART	☐ ENGINEERING	☐ MUSIC	☐ THEATER
☐ 1800-1899	☐ COMMERCE	☐ EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	☐ PHILOSOPHY	☐ TRANSPORTATION
☐ 1900-	☐ COMMUNICATIONS	☐ INDUSTRY	☐ POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	☐ OTHER (SPECIFY)
		☐ INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES 1754

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Josiah Day House is significant as one of the oldest extant unaltered brick saltboxes in the country. It was built by Josiah Day, grandson of one of the founders of the settlement, and was lived in by the Day family for over 150 years. The house retains most of its original interior, and is open to the public as a house museum.

The Day House, built in 1754, is the oldest house in West Springfield, and the oldest brick house in Hampden County. Its unaltered condition, both on the exterior and the interior, as well as its original interior hardware and furniture, make it a significant example of mid-eighteenth century New England vernacular architecture.

Thomas Day, the builder's grandfather, was a member of the first group of settlers to receive land grants west of the Connecticut River. Josiah Day was a co-signer of the first petition to the General Court of Massachusetts for the separation of West Springfield from its mother town in 1770. The Day family continued to be active in the development of the town, and occupied the house until the twentieth century. Many of the furnishings which the Days had acquired, representing styles from the seventeenth through the nineteenth century, remain in the house.

As a house museum, with period rooms as well as historical exhibits, the building is a valuable educational resource for the school children in the town and for other interested people.

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Swift, Esther, West Springfield: A Town History

10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 1 acre

UTM REFERENCES

A

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ZONE	

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EASTING					

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NORTHING						

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11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE Christine Boulding, Assistant Survey Director and Michal Foley

ORGANIZATION Massachusetts Historical Commission DATE March 1975

STREET & NUMBER 40 Beacon Street, TELEPHONE 617-727-8470

CITY OR TOWN Boston MA STATE 02108

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.

FEDERAL REPRESENTATIVE SIGNATURE

Elizabeth R. Amazon

TITLE Mass. State Historic Preservation Officer

DATE 3/24/75

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I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS PROPERTY IS INCLUDED IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER

DATE

4/16/75

DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF ARCHEOLOGY AND HISTORIC PRESERVATION
ATTEST:

DATE

APR 14 1975

KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER

Property

Day, Josiah, House

75000265
Hampden

State

Massachusetts

Working Number

4.1.75.594

TECHNICAL / sketch

Photos

2

Maps

1

CONTROL

OK ^{pl} 4.4.75-
HISTORIAN

ARCHITECTURAL HISTORIAN

Date of call?
early 1944C.Accept
Selovich
4-7-75

ARCHEOLOGIST

The Day House was part of proposed West Springfield
Common H.D. submitted by State in '74 and returned by us for
lacking cohesion.

OTHER

ACCEPT

Hayward 4/8/75
HAER

Inventory _____

Review _____

REVIEW UNIT CHIEF

Accept
Cole
4.11.75

BRANCH CHIEF

accept
Hump
4.11.75

KEEPER

Wm

National Register Write-up

Send-back

Entered

APR 16 1975

Federal Register Entry

6-3-75

Re-submit

INT:2106-74



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2 LOCATION

CITY, TOWN West Springfield

____ VICINITY OF

COUNTY Hampden

STATE MA

3 PHOTO REFERENCE

PHOTO CREDIT W.M. Ralph, P. Coburn

DATE OF PHOTO 1973

NEGATIVE FILED AT West Springfield Record

4 IDENTIFICATION

DESCRIBE VIEW, DIRECTION, ETC. IF DISTRICT. GIVE BUILDING NAME & STREET

PHOTO NO. 1

south facade

#102

PROPERTY OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER

#102

CREDIT
W. M. Ralph
SPRINGFIELD, MASS.

No.

JCW5773



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PHOTO NO. 2

south elevation

#2072

Rear of Day House
looking southerly toward
Common

10/3/73

#2072

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CREDIT

W. M. Ralph
SPRINGFIELD, MASS.

No. JC WS 773

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3 MAP REFERENCE

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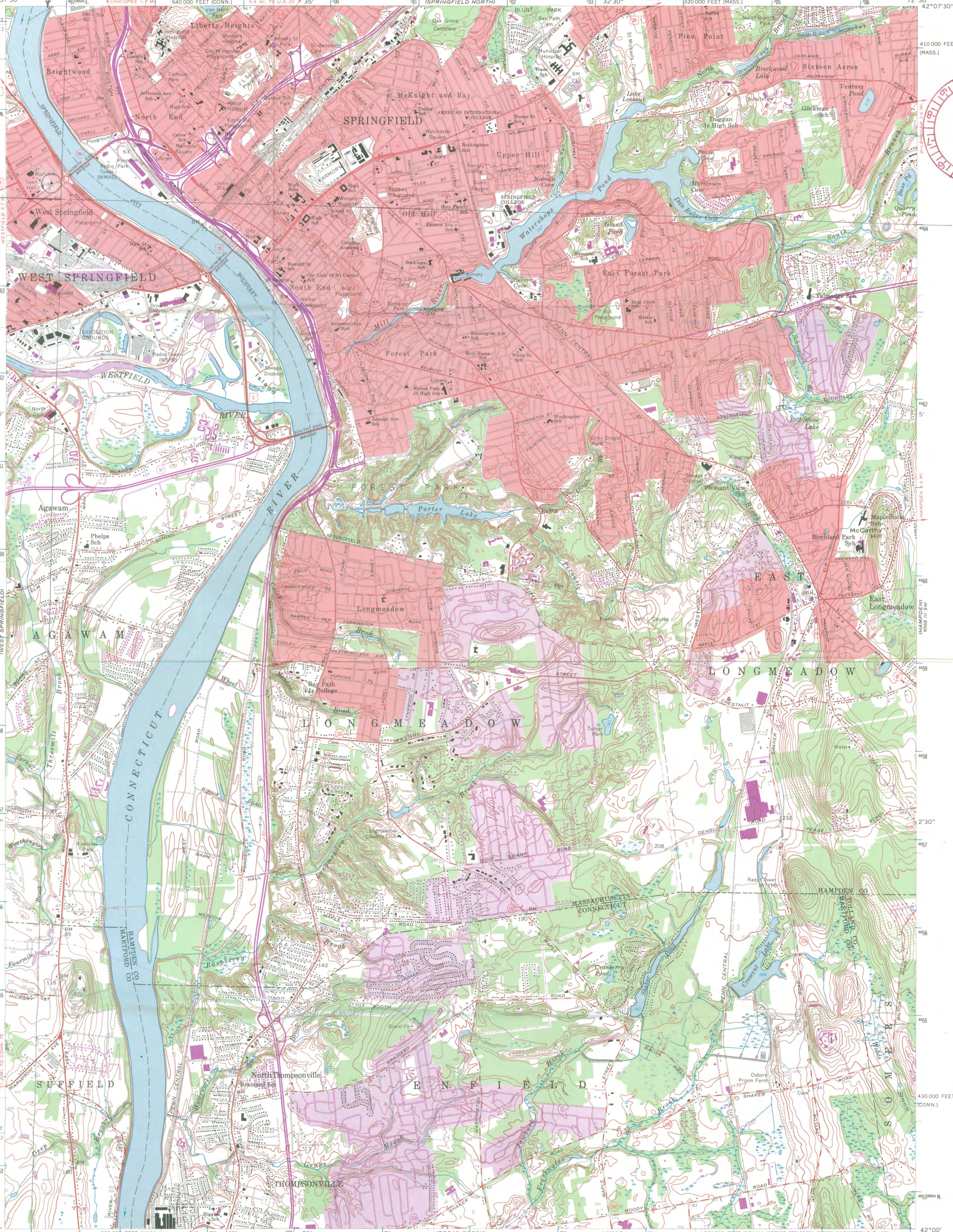
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4 REQUIREMENTS

TO BE INCLUDED ON ALL MAPS

1. PROPERTY BOUNDARIES
2. NORTH ARROW
3. UTM REFERENCES

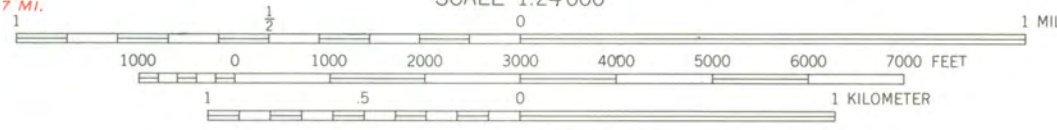
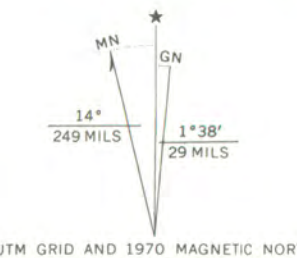
West Springfield
Josiah Day House
UTM reference:
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Mapped, edited, and published by the Geological Survey
Control by USGS, USC&GS, Massachusetts Geodetic Survey,
and Connecticut Geodetic Survey

Topography by planetable surveys 1933 and 1942
Culture revised from aerial photographs by photogrammetric
methods. Aerial photographs taken 1957. Field check 1958
Polyconic projection. 1927 North American datum
10,000-foot grids based on Massachusetts coordinate system,
mainland zone, and Connecticut coordinate system
1000-meter Universal Transverse Mercator grid ticks,
zone 18, shown in blue
Red tint indicates areas in which only
landmark buildings are shown

Revisions shown in purple compiled in cooperation with
Connecticut Highway Department from aerial photographs
taken 1970. This information not field checked
Purple tint indicates extension of urban areas



ROAD CLASSIFICATION
Heavy-duty ——— Light-duty ———
Medium-duty ——— Unimproved dirt ———
U.S. Route ——— State Route ———



SPRINGFIELD SOUTH, MASS.-CONN.
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

**NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
PROPERTY MAP FORM**

FOR NPS USE ONLY

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SEE INSTRUCTIONS IN *HOW TO COMPLETE NATIONAL REGISTER FORMS*
TYPE ALL ENTRIES -- ENCLOSE WITH MAP

1 NAME

HISTORIC

Josiah Day House

AND/OR COMMON

same

2 LOCATION

CITY/TOWN West Springfield

____ VICINITY OF

COUNTY

Hampden

STATE

MA

3 MAP REFERENCE

SOURCE

sketch map

SCALE

not to scale

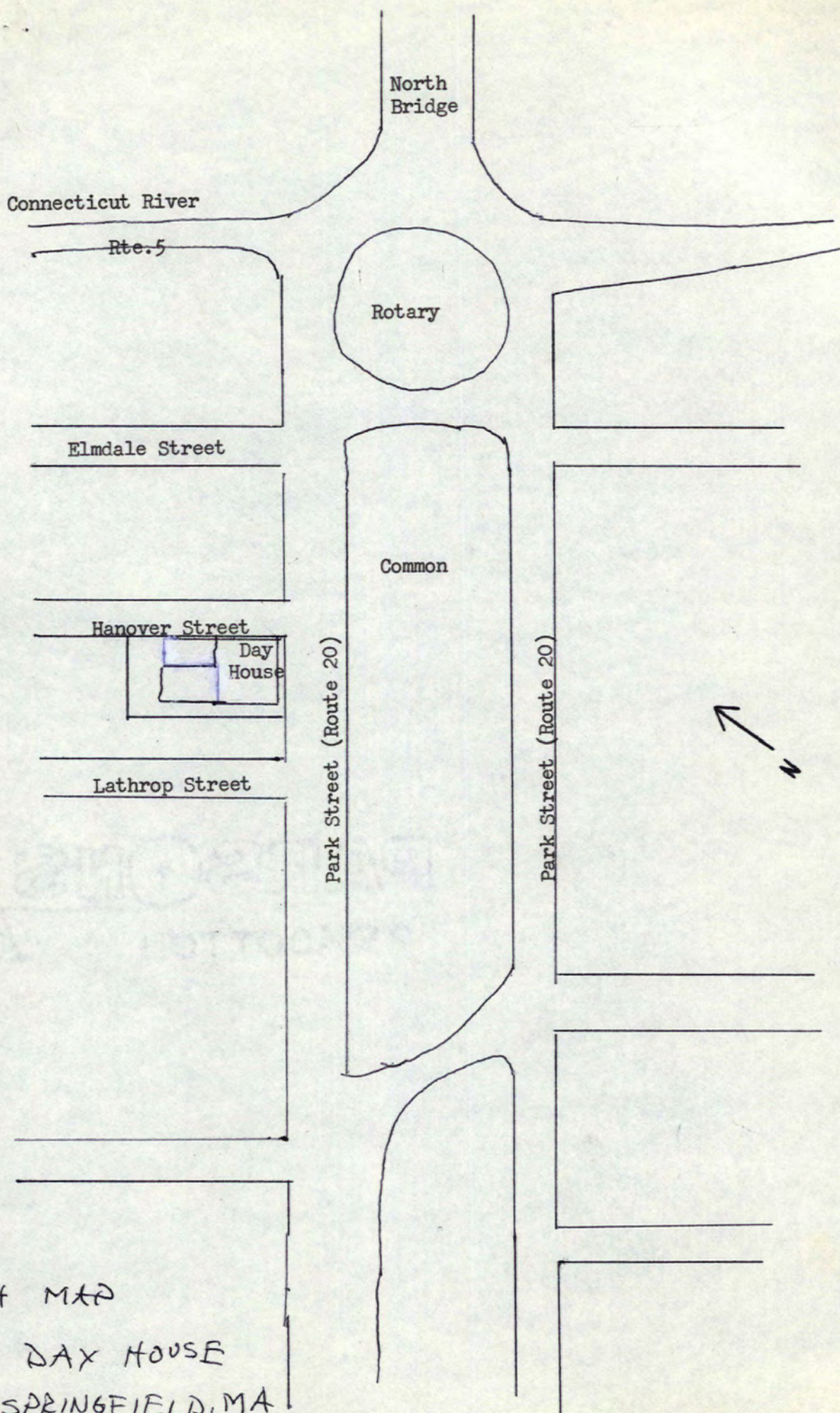
DATE

March 1975

4 REQUIREMENTS

TO BE INCLUDED ON ALL MAPS

1. PROPERTY BOUNDARIES
2. NORTH ARROW
3. UTM REFERENCES



North
Bridge

Connecticut River

Rte. 5

Rotary

Elm Dale Street

Common

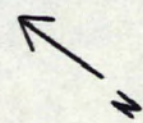
Hanover Street

Day
House

Lathrop Street

Park Street (Route 20)

Park Street (Route 20)



SKETCH MAP

JOSIAH DAX HOUSE
WEST SPRINGFIELD, MA

AUG 23 1974

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8/22/74

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Honorable John F. X. Davoren
Secretary of the Commonwealth
Chairman, Massachusetts Historical
Commission
40 Beacon Street
Boston, Massachusetts 02108

Dear Mr. Davoren:

After careful consideration we are returning your nomination for the West Springfield Common District. In our opinion the proposed district does not have sufficient historical or aesthetic cohesiveness to merit inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places. The boundaries exclude the properties facing the south side of the Common, which would be the logical edge of the district. Also, the properties on the north side do not extend the full length of the Common, making the district difficult to define visually. We feel that it is the Common, and not the five unrelated buildings included in the district, that has been the focal point in the historic development of the town.

We hope you will consider nominating the Common individually, as this appears to be an important landmark in the history and development of West Springfield. You might also consider nominating the Day House individually if you feel that this building meets National Register criteria.

We are sure that you will agree that it is important to maintain the standards and criteria of the National Register, and if you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to let us know.

Sincerely yours,

Acting

Charles A. Herrington (Sgd.)

William J. Murtagh
Keeper of the National Register

Enclosure

cc: Regional Director, North Atlantic Region
FNP:W Jandl:lm1:8/20/74
bcc: Director's Reading File
DI
PR- Mrs. Mott w/cy inc.

✓ BASJC FILE RETAINED IN PR

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ENTRIES IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER

STATE MASSACHUSETTS

Date Entered APR 16 1975

<u>Name</u>	<u>Location</u>
Cabot, Captain John, House	Beverly Essex County
Day, Josiah, House	West Springfield Hampden County
Hall, Isaac, House	Medford Middlesex County

Also Notified

Hon. Edward M. Kennedy	State Historic Preservation Officer
Hon. Edward W. Brooke	Mrs. Elizabeth R. Amadon, Executive Director
Hon. Michael J. Harrington	Massachusetts Historical Commission
Hon. Silvio O. Conte	40 Beacon Street
Hon. Torbert H. MacDonald	Boston, Massachusetts 02108

Regional Director, North Atlantic

Region

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NAME West Springfield Common Historic District

WORKING NUMBER 4.16.74.603

NAME

DATE RETURNED TO SLO.

Broadway

State
8.23.74

STATE

COUNTY

Mass.

Hampden

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ADDRESS

West Springfield

DATE SENT TO CONGRESS

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

REGISTER NUMBER

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REMARKS:

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the Josiah Day House
file attached to the

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FEDERAL ASSISTANCE		2. APPLICANT'S APPLICATION	a. NUMBER	3. APPLICATION IDENTIFIER	a. NUMBER
1. TYPE OF ACTION ☐ PREAPPLICATION ☒ APPLICATION (Mark appropriate box) ☐ NOTIFICATION OF INTENT (Opt) ☐ REPORT OF FEDERAL ACTION		b. DATE Year month day 1977 05 31		b. DATE Year month day 1975 06 16	75050496
4. LEGAL APPLICANT/RECIPIENT		5. FEDERAL EMPLOYER IDENTIFICATION NO.			
a. Applicant Name : Massachusetts Historical Commission b. Organization Unit : c. Street/P.O. Box : 294 Washington Street d. City : Boston e. State : Massachusetts f. Contact Person (Name & telephone No.) : Elizabeth Reed Amadon, S.H.P.O. (617) 727-8470		a. County : Suffolk g. ZIP Code: 02108			046-002-284
7. TITLE AND DESCRIPTION OF APPLICANT'S PROJECT		6. PRO-GRAM (From Federal Catalog)			a. NUMBER
Josiah Day House Development Project, West Springfield, Hampden County "Strengthen the rear wall with a new foundation and to re-roof the ell." Source of nonfederal match is Ramapogue Historical Society.		b. TITLE Historic Preservation			1 5 0 9 0 4
10. AREA OF PROJECT IMPACT (Names of cities, counties, States, etc.)		8. TYPE OF APPLICANT/RECIPIENT			
Commonwealth of Massachusetts		A-State B-Interstate C-Substate D-District E-City F-School District G-Special Purpose District H-Community Action Agency I-Higher Educational Institution J-Indian Tribe K-Other (Specify): Enter appropriate letter ☐ A			
11. ESTIMATED NUMBER OF PERSONS BENEFITING		9. TYPE OF ASSISTANCE			
5.689,170		A-Basic Grant B-Supplemental Grant C-Loan D-Insurance E-Other Enter appropriate letter(s) ☐ A ☐			
12. TYPE OF APPLICATION		13. PROPOSED FUNDING			
A-New B-Renewal C-Revision D-Continuation E-Augmentation Enter appropriate letter ☐ A		a. FEDERAL \$ 2,700 .00 b. APPLICANT 2,900 .00 c. STATE .00 d. LOCAL .00 e. OTHER .00 f. TOTAL \$ 5,600 .00			
14. CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICTS OF:		15. TYPE OF CHANGE (For 11c or 11e)			
a. APPLICANT 9 b. PROJECT 1		A-Increase Dollars B-Decrease Dollars C-Increase Duration D-Decrease Duration E-Cancellation F-Other (Specify): Enter appropriate letter(s) ☐ ☐ ☐			
16. PROJECT START DATE Year month day		17. PROJECT DURATION			
19 see #34		36 Months			
18. ESTIMATED DATE TO BE SUBMITTED TO FEDERAL AGENCY		19. EXISTING FEDERAL IDENTIFICATION NUMBER			
1977 05 31		25-76-00635-00			
20. FEDERAL AGENCY TO RECEIVE REQUEST (Name, City, State, ZIP code)		21. REMARKS ADDED			
National Park Service, Washington D.C. 20240		☐ Yes ☒ No			
22. THE APPLICANT CERTIFIES THAT		23. CERTIFYING REPRESENTATIVE			
a. To the best of my knowledge and belief, data in this preapplication/application are true and correct, the document has been duly authorized by the governing body of the applicant and the applicant will comply with the attached assurances if the assistance is approved. b. If required by OMB Circular A-95 this application was submitted, pursuant to instructions therein, to appropriate clearinghouses and all responses are attached:		(1) Office of State Planning (2) (3)			No response attached ☐ ☒ ☐ ☐
24. AGENCY NAME		25. APPLICATION RECEIVED			
Department of the Interior		1977 06 07			
26. ORGANIZATIONAL UNIT		27. ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE			
National Park Service		Grants Administration Division			
28. ADDRESS		29. FEDERAL GRANT IDENTIFICATION			
18th & C Streets NW., Washington, D.C. 20240		25-76-00635-00			
30. ACTION TAKEN		31. FUNDING			
☒ a. AWARDED ☐ b. REJECTED ☐ c. RETURNED FOR AMENDMENT ☐ d. DEFERRED ☐ e. WITHDRAWN		a. FEDERAL \$ 2,700 .00 b. APPLICANT 2,900 .00 c. STATE .00 d. LOCAL .00 e. OTHER .00 f. TOTAL \$ 5,600 .00			
32. ACTION DATE		33. CONTACT FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION (Name and telephone number)			
1977 08 17		Stephen Newman (202) 523-5472			
34. STARTING DATE		35. ENDING DATE			
1977 08 17		1980 08 16			
36. REMARKS ADDED		37. REMARKS ADDED			
☐ Yes ☒ No		☐ Yes ☒ No			
38. FEDERAL AGENCY A-95 ACTION		39. FEDERAL AGENCY A-95 OFFICIAL (Name and telephone no.)			
a. In taking above action, any comments received from clearinghouses were considered. If agency response is due under provisions of Part 1, OMB Circular A-95, it has been or is being made.		same as #35			

NR Data Sheet

DATE: 3/23/77
 Reviewer INITIALS: gaff
 NR DOE April 16, 1975

NAME AS IT APPEARS IN FEDERAL REGISTER: Day, Josiah, House

OTHER NAMES:

LOCATION:

STREET & NUMBER 70 Park Street

CITY/TOWN West Springfield

STATE Massachusetts

VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT 1st

COUNTY Hampden code 013

OWNER OF PROPERTY: (Circle) PRIVATE STATE LOCAL GOV'T MUNICIPAL COUNTY OTHER

ADMINISTRATOR (underline)

FEDERAL (AGENCY NAME):

NPS REGION: (CIRCLE) N. ATLANTIC MID ATLANTIC SOUTHEAST MIDWEST

SOUTHWEST ROCKY MOUNTAIN WEST PACIFIC NORTHWEST

FEATURES:

INTERIOR	EXTERIOR	ENVIRONS
☒ Substantially intact-1	☒ Substantially intact-2	☐ Substantially intact-3
☐ unknown - 4	☐ unknown - 5	☐ unknown - 6
☐ not applicable - 7	☐ not applicable - 8	☐ Not applicable-9

☐ Interior, exterior, environs not intact-0

CONDITION - ☒ EXCELLENT
☐ GOOD
☐ FAIR

☐ DETERIORATED
☐ RUINS
☐ UNEXPOSED
☐ Unexcavated

☐ UNALTERED
☒ ALTERED
☐ Reconstructed
☐ Excavated

☒ ORIGINAL SITE
☐ MOVED
☐ Unknown

ACCESS - ☒ Yes-restricted ☐ Yes-unrestricted ☐ No access ☐ Unknown

historic district? YES ☒ NO

WITHIN NATIONAL REGISTER HISTORIC DISTRICT? YES ☒ NO
 IF YES, NAME:

WITHIN NATIONAL HISTORIC LANDMARK? YES ☒ NO
 IF YES, NAME:

ADAPTIVE USE: ☒ YES ☐ NO Saved? YES ☐ NO

FUNCTION(S): (use vocabulary words)

then- private residence

now- museum

SIGNIFICANCE:

☒ ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC
☐ ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC
☐ AGRICULTURE
☒ ARCHITECTURE - 4
☐ ART
☐ COMMERCE
☐ COMMUNICATIONS

☐ CONSERVATION
☒ ECONOMICS - 10
☐ EDUCATION
☐ ENGINEERING
☐ EXPLORATION
☐ INDUSTRY
☐ INVENTION

☐ LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE
☐ LAW/Gov't/politics
☐ LITERATURE
☐ MILITARY
☐ MUSIC
☐ PHILOSOPHY
☐ POLITICS/GOVERNMENT

☐ RELIGION
☐ SCIENCE
☐ SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
☐ TRANSPORTATION
☐ OTHER (SPECIFY)

☐ entertainment
☐ health
☐ recreation
☐ settlement
☐ socio/cultural
☐ urban & commun
 planning

Claims

"first" YES ☐ NO ☐

"oldest" YES ☒ NO ☐

"only" YES ☐ NO ☐

House in W. SPRINGFIELD

ARCHITECTURAL STYLE: ^{SALT BOX} COLONIAL

architect/m.builder:

landscape/garden designer:

interior decorator:

engineer:

artist/artisan:

builder/contractor:

ETHNIC GROUP:

NAMES:

personal

(label role

&

appropriate date)

events

institutional

DATES:

DATE OF CONSTRUCTION (Specific date or 1/4 of century):

1754

DATE(S) OF "MAJOR" ALTERATIONS:

19TH C. EU

HISTORICALLY SIGNIFICANT DATE(S):

SOURCE:

(OF NOMINATION)

PRIVATE

STATE

LOCAL GOV'T

MUNICIPAL

COUNTY

OTHER

FEDERAL AGENCY:

ACREAGE:

(to nearest tenth of an acre)

1

COMMENTS: (include architectural information here)

^{SALT BOX}
gabled with rear shed extension, BRICK, 2 STORIES, L-SHAPE, GABLED
slightly recessed
ROOF, CENTER AND INTERIOR EU CHIMNEY, ~~3-BAY~~ CENTER ENTRY SLIGHT-
LY RECESSED, ADDITIONAL EU ENTRANCES; INTERIOR FEATURES ORIGINAL HARD-
WARE AND WOODWORK; 1 1/2-STORY REAR EU ADDED, EARLY 19TH C. ^{SALT BOX} COLONIAL.
OLDEST HOUSE IN WEST SPRINGFIELD; ONE OF THE OLDEST UNALTERED
BRICK SALT BOXES IN COUNTRY. ^{U.S.} Museum.

SIGNIFICANCE: (maximum two sentences)