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HARRISVILLE HISTORIC AND ARCHITECTURAL RESOURCES SURVEY
INDIVIDUAL INVENTORY FORM

DISTRICT: -- SITE #: IP-7

PROPERTY NAME (HISTORIC): The Acre
PROPERTY NAME: The Acre/The Maki House
LOCATION: Just south of lower Harrisville village at the S-curve in the road to Dublin.
UTM REFERENCES: 18-737300-4757675
USGS QUADRANGLE: Monadnock
DATE: 1879 or 1880
SOURCE: Deeds and tax records

OWNER (ORIGINAL): Cheshire Mills Co.
OWNER: Mrs. Oni Maki
ADDRESS: P. O. Box
Harrisville, NH 03450
ACREAGE: .42 RANGE/LOT: IX-13-2
VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION/JUSTIFICATION:
See Site Map

PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION: This large 2½ story frame house, set very close to the Dublin road at a major S-curve at the lower end of Harrisville village, is essentially Greek Revival in style. Although larger than most of its nearby contemporaries, it shares with them such features as overhanging eaves and a pronounced cornice return. Five bays wide, it has a center entry flanked by pilasters and sheltered by a simple, gabled entry porch. Proto-Italianate embellishments unusual in Harrisville include a prominent, sharply peaked gable with single window inset into the roofline over the center bay and clearly distinguishable hoods capping its 2/2 windows. It has twin interior chimneys. (Continued)

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE: The Maki House derives architectural significance from its locally unusual design and prominent location. However, its primary importance, which is considerable, is historical. Built in late 1879 or early 1880 by the Cheshire Mills Co. to house itinerant construction workers, this house makes an extremely strong addition to Harrisville's nationally unique inventory of mill workers' housing solutions and examples. It has since been nicknamed "The Acre," a generic term borrowed from other industrial communities such as Lowell, MA, which refers to its use and its unprestigious location at the lower end of town.
Strong local tradition has it that its occupants were also employed in the construction and repair of the nearby railroad line whose pivotal local importance lends additional significance to the house.
The Maki House should be considered in the context of its close historical and (Continued)

REFERENCES:
Armstrong, John Borden. Factory Under the Elms. Cambridge (MA): The MIT Press, 1969.
Deeds
Colony, John J. III. Personal interview, January 8, 1982.
Tax Records

MAP: SEE CONTINUATION SHEET
DESCRIPTION OF VIEW:
Barn and front elevation (sw)
Facing northeast
PHOTOGRAPHER: L. Shonk
NEGATIVE FILE #: 6-1; 6/28/83
RECORDED BY: L. Shonk, M. Cini
SPONSORING ORGANIZATION:
Historic Harrisville, Inc.
DATE: October 1983



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PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION:

The house is attached to a vertically sided barn through a single story shed. The main house and ell have been reclad with inappropriate gray shingles laid in a staggered pattern.

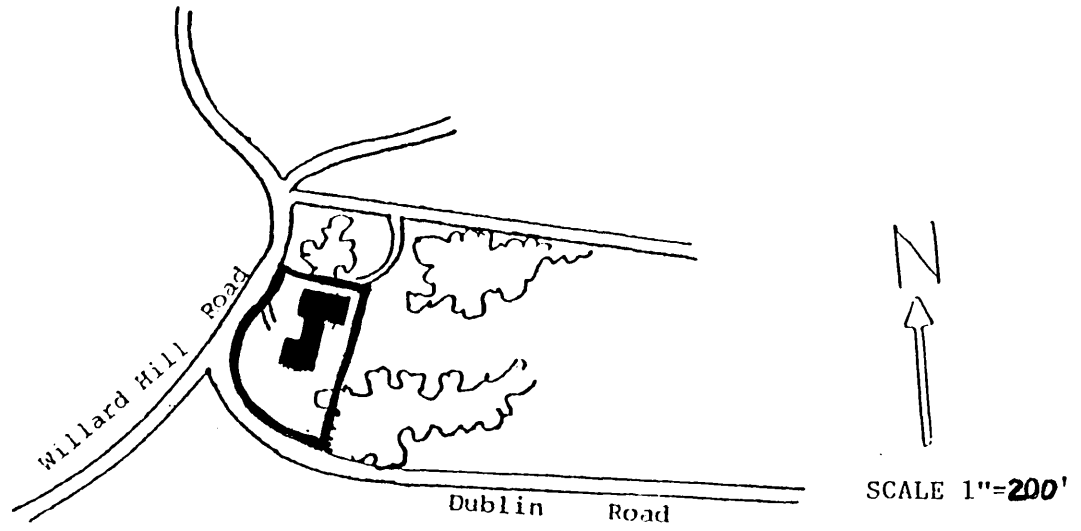
SIGNIFICANCE:

physical relationship with Harrisville's National Historic Landmark mill village. It clearly satisfies Criteria A and C of the National Register of Historic Places and has already been determined eligible for inclusion in that listing.

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- Contributing
- Non-contributing

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION / JUSTIFICATION:

Bounded on the north by the edge of trees, on the east by an arbitrary line approximately 50' from the east edge of the house continuing to the edge of the trees until it joins the Dublin Road. Bounded on the south by the Dublin Road.

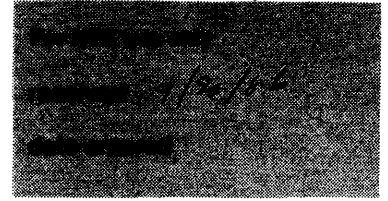
Includes the immediate visual surroundings incorporating the features contributing to the property's architectural and historical significance.

Noted as IP-7 on Town of Harrisville Map, included with this nomination.

The boundaries of the property are indicated by the heavy black line on the sketch map above.

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Multiple Resource Area
Thematic Group

Name Harrisville MRA
State Cheshire County, NEW HAMPSHIRE

Nomination/Type of Review

Date/Signature

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| 11. Acre (The) ✓ | Substantive Review | for Keeper | Patrick Andrus 1/14/88 |
| | | Attest | Beth L. Sarge 1/14/88 |
| 12. Adams, Moses, Farm ✓ | Substantive Review | Keeper | return S |
| | | Attest | |
| 13. Adams Farm ✓ | Substantive Review | for Keeper | Patrick Andrus 1/14/88 |
| | | Attest | Beth L. Sarge 1/14/88 |
| 14. Aldworth Manor ✓ | Substantive Review | for Keeper | Patrick Andrus 1/14/88 |
| | | Attest | Beth L. Sarge 1/14/88 |
| 15. Adams, John, Homestead--Wellscroft ✓ | Substantive Review | for Keeper | Patrick Andrus 1/14/88 |
| | | Attest | Beth L. Sarge 1/14/88 |
| 16. Bancroft, Timothy, House ✓ | Substantive Review | for Keeper | Patrick Andrus 1/14/88 |
| | | Attest | Beth L. Sarge 1/14/88 |
| 17. Beal, Persia, House ✓ | Substantive Review | for Keeper | Patrick Andrus 1/14/88 |
| | | Attest | Beth L. Sarge 1/14/88 |
| 18. Bemis, Elbridge G., House ✓ | Substantive Review | for Keeper | Patrick Andrus 1/14/88 |
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| 19. Bemis, George, House ✓ | Substantive Review | for Keeper | Patrick Andrus 1/14/88 |
| | | Attest | Beth L. Sarge 1/14/88 |
| 20. Cheever, George, Farm ✓ | Substantive Review | for Keeper | Patrick Andrus 1/14/88 |
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