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FORM B - BUILDING

AREA

FORM NO.

WH-543

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
10 BOYLSTON STREET
BOSTON, MA 02116

Town Quincy, MA / MRA

Address 187 Warren Avenue

Historic Name First Baptist Church of Wollaston

Use: Present church

Original church

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

DESCRIPTION

Date 1873

Source 75th Anniversary pamphlet

Style Gothic Revival

Architect unknown

Exterior Wall Fabric clapboards

Outbuildings none

Major Alterations (with dates) _____

see attached architectural significance

Condition Good

Moved no Date n/a

Acreage less than one acre: 33,750 sq. ft.

Setting The church is on a spacious corner lot in the late 19th century residential development known as Wollaston Heights.

Recorded by Fannin and Lehner / J. Johnson

Organization Quincy Historical Commission

Date July 1, 1986 / May 1987

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 MAP

UTM REFERENCE 19/333,320 E/4,680,450 N

USGS QUADRANGLE Boston South, MA

SCALE 1: 25,000 sq. ft.

NATIONAL REGISTER CRITERIA STATEMENT (if applicable)

The First Baptist Church of Wollaston possesses integrity of design, location, materials, feeling, workmanship, and association. Quincy's best-preserved example of a frame church in the Gothic Revival style, the First Baptist Church is associated with the development of Wollaston Heights and fulfills Criteria A and C and exception A of the National Register of Historic Places on the local level.

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

SEE INVENTORY FORM CONTINUATION SHEET

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

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BIBLIOGRAPHY and/or REFERENCES

- Assessors Records.
William S. Pattee. History of Old Braintree and Quincy, 1878.
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INVENTORY FORM CONTINUATION SHEET

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
Office of the Secretary, Boston

Community: QUINCY, MA	Form No: WH-543
Property Name: 1st Baptist Church of Wollaston	

Indicate each item on inventory form which is being continued below.

**HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE -- 187 WARREN AVENUE
FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF WOLLASTON**

The Baptist denomination began in Quincy when eleven Baptists in Quincy Point established the First Baptist Church of Quincy in 1867. Several years later, in 1871, a group of twenty-three people living in the newly settled area of Wollaston Hill met in the Warren Avenue home of Mr. and Mrs. George Pinkham and organized "The First Baptist Church of Wollaston Heights," a name that was later changed to "The First Baptist Church of Wollaston."

The cornerstone of the First Baptist Church of Wollaston Heights was laid in July 1872 and the church, with a seating capacity of 350, was dedicated in January of 1873. The new \$15,000 structure was one of the first buildings to be erected in Wollaston Heights, a 100 acre development of large suburban residences begun in 1870. The church is sited on land given by the Wollaston Land Associates. George Pinkham, a community leader and one of the church's founders, was the business manager for the Wollaston Land Associates.

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ARCHITECTURAL SIGNIFICANCE -- 187 WARREN AVENUE
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The 1873 First Baptist Church of Wollaston is a fine example of Gothic Revival design and the finest intact frame church in Quincy. Although the building was greatly enlarged by additions in 1890, 1913, and 1956, the church has kept its architectural integrity due to the sensitivity of the architects responsible for the alterations. The original building is now the middle section of the structure. The 1873 building has a slate gable roof, an offset tower topped by a pinnacled spire, and is decorated with small spur buttresses, label moldings, and narrow cusped lancet windows. A tall lancet window decorates the main gable. In the 1913 addition (which incorporates the chapel added in 1890) Boston architect, Albert Hayden Wright, repeated these design features. Wright's cross gabled addition exhibits the same buttresses and a similar window treatment as the original building. The two structures are joined by a Gothic arch colonnade. A one-story addition (1956) on the building's north elevation clearly reads as a separate unit and thus does not detract from the church's architectural integrity.

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United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service

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National Register of Historic Places
Continuation Sheet

Section number _____ Page _____

Multiple Resource Area
Thematic Group

Name Quincy MRA
State Norfolk County, MASSACHUSETTS

Nomination/Type of Review	Date/Signature
21. Curtis, Noah, House Entered in the National Register	for Keeper <u>Helene Byers</u> 9/20/89 Attest _____
22. Curtis, Thomas, House Entered in the National Register	for Keeper <u>Helene Byers</u> 9/20/89 Attest _____
23. Davis, Dr. Frank, House Entered in the National Register	for Keeper <u>Helene Byers</u> 9/20/89 Attest _____
24. Dacey, Russell M., House Entered in the National Register	for Keeper <u>Helene Byers</u> 9/20/89 Attest _____
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26. Dorothy Q Apartments Entered in the National Register	for Keeper <u>Helene Byers</u> 9/20/89 Attest _____
27. Elks Building Entered in the National Register	for Keeper <u>Helene Byers</u> 9/20/89 Attest _____
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29. First Baptist Church of Wollaston Entered in the National Register	for Keeper <u>Helene Byers</u> 9/20/89 Attest _____
30. Fore River Club House Entered in the National Register	for Keeper <u>Helene Byers</u> 9/20/89 Attest _____

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

REQUESTED ACTION: NOMINATION

PROPERTY First Baptist Church of Wollaston
NAME:

MULTIPLE Quincy MRA
NAME:

STATE & COUNTY: MASSACHUSETTS, Norfolk

DATE RECEIVED: 8/07/89 DATE OF PENDING LIST: 8/22/89
DATE OF 16TH DAY: 9/07/89 DATE OF 45TH DAY: 9/21/89
DATE OF WEEKLY LIST:

REFERENCE NUMBER: 89001380

NOMINATOR: STATE

REASONS FOR REVIEW:

APPEAL: N DATA PROBLEM: N LANDSCAPE: N LESS THAN 50 YEARS: N
OTHER: N PDIL: N PERIOD: N PROGRAM UNAPPROVED: N
REQUEST: N SAMPLE: N SLR DRAFT: N NATIONAL: N

COMMENT WAIVER: N

ACCEPT RETURN REJECT 9/20/89 DATE

Entered in the
National Register

ABSTRACT/SUMMARY COMMENTS:

RECOM./CRITERIA _____
REVIEWER _____
DISCIPLINE _____
DATE _____

DOCUMENTATION see attached comments Y/N see attached SLR Y/N

CLASSIFICATION

count resource type

STATE/FEDERAL AGENCY CERTIFICATION

FUNCTION

historic current

DESCRIPTION

architectural classification
 materials
 descriptive text

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

BIBLIOGRAPHY

GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

acreage verbal boundary description
 UTM's boundary justification

ACCOMPANYING DOCUMENTATION/PRESENTATION

sketch maps USGS maps photographs presentation

OTHER COMMENTS

Questions concerning this nomination may be directed to

_____ Phone _____

Signed _____ Date _____



187 Warren Ave. Church of Wollaston

First Baptist Church of Wollaston

at: Planning Dept. - Quincy

by: Fannin / Lehner

date: Spring 1986

view: North

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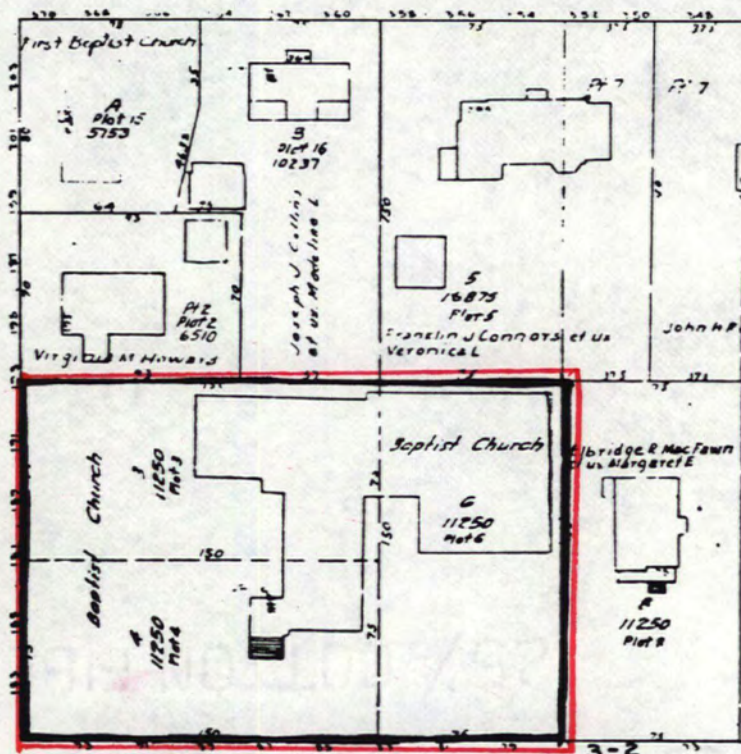
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SEE PLAN 5175

HIGHLAND

WARREN
AVE.



PROSPECT

Address 187 Warren Avenue

QUINCY, MASSACHUSETTS / MRA

Assessors Map # 5180

1979

Scale: 1 inch equals 80 feet

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

Multiple Property Cover Sheet Reference Number: 64000289