

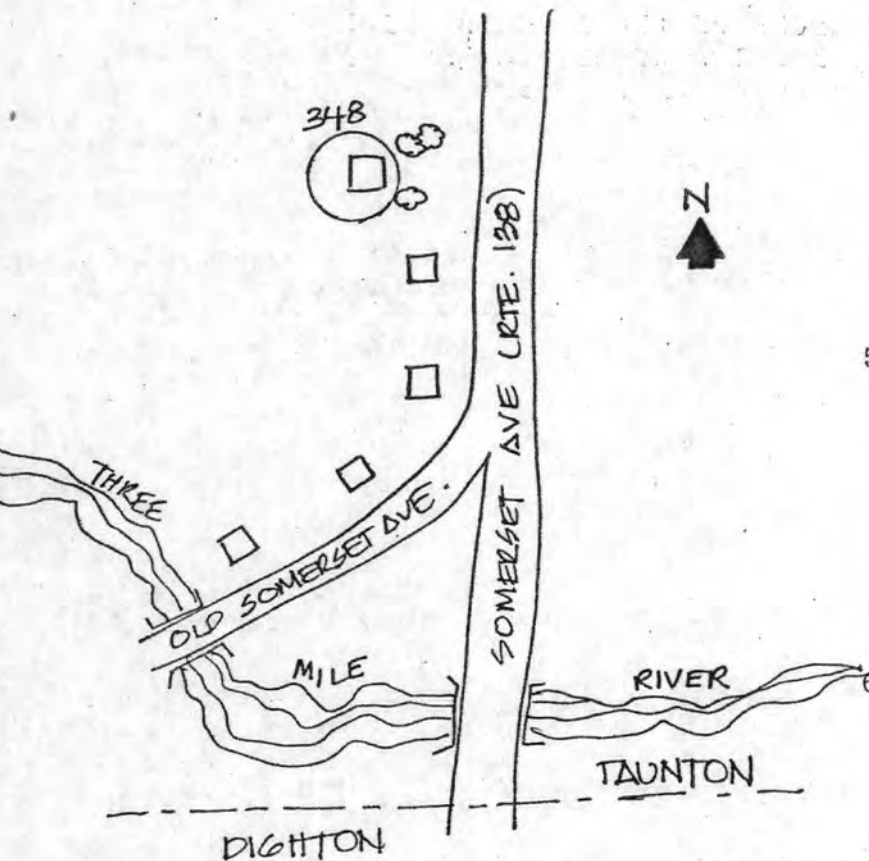
FORM B - BUILDING

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

In Area no.	Form no.
	348

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 1679 Somerset Ave. ✓
Name Peter Walker House ✓
Present use Residence

Present owner G. & J. Ross

3. Description:

Date c. 1727

Source Deeds

Style Central Chimney, Georgian

Architect Unknown Details _____

Exterior wall fabric Clapboards

Outbuildings (describe) None

Other features See attached.

Altered Attached 19th C.
1 story ell and shed
Moved No Date _____

5. Lot size: WARD - 01 ^{PLAN-26} BLK - 73 LOT-17

One acre or less X Over one acre _____

Approximate frontage 129.6'

Approximate distance of building from street

60'

6. Recorded by T.W.

Organization T.C.H.S.

Date 10/11/79

(over)

UTM: 19/325500/4638240

7. Original owner (if known) Peter Walker
 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	<u>x</u>	Industry	_____	Social/ humanitarian	_____
Commerce	_____	Military	_____	Transportation	_____
Communication	_____	Political	_____		
Community development	_____				

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

This early, central chimney house is the oldest documented structure in Taunton that features true Georgian details. Its beautifully-executed doorway is framed by Ionic half-columns, carrying a dentilated pediment, and inscribing a large, semi-circular, leaded fanlight. Other, intact period details include a cornice enriched with dentils and blocks, and 12/12 windows capped by splayed lintelboards.

In 1726, Peter Walker purchased the land on which the house is sited, and is reputed, by local sources, to have had the structure built subsequently, as a wedding gift to his new bride, Sarah Godfrey.

Possessing integrity of location, design, setting, materials, workmanship and association, the Peter Walker House meets criterion C of the National Register of Historic Places for its early construction date and the high quality of its excellantly preserved Georgian period form and detailing.

Boundaries conform to current lot lines.

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

Bristol County Registry of Deeds, Liber 17, p. 94

Volunteer Survey Forms, Taunton Historic District Study Committee

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

Walker, Peter, 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

Entered in the National Register RETURN

REJECT

Federal Agency: _____

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

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 Public Acquisition	Status Accessible	Present Use
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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

excellent deteriorated unaltered original site

good ruins altered 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

Walter Peter, Class (Tampa N.A.)
Hatch County
NASCHEBATS

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: _____



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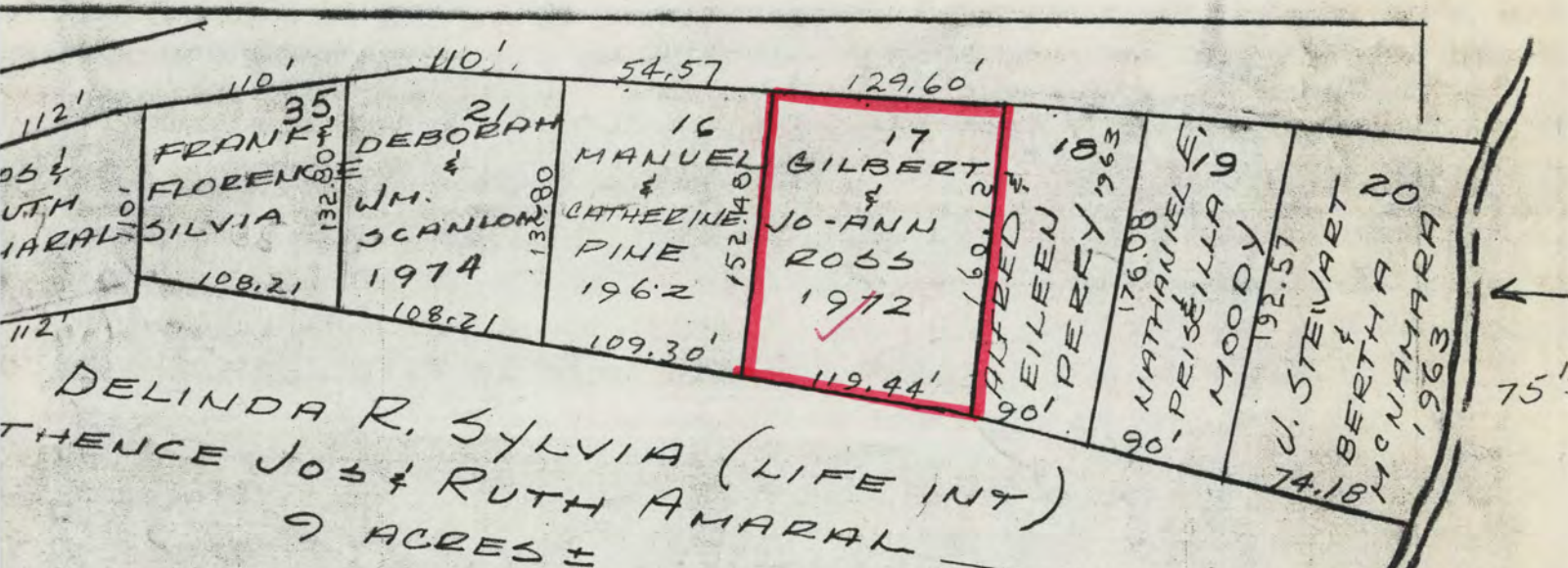
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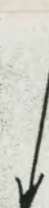
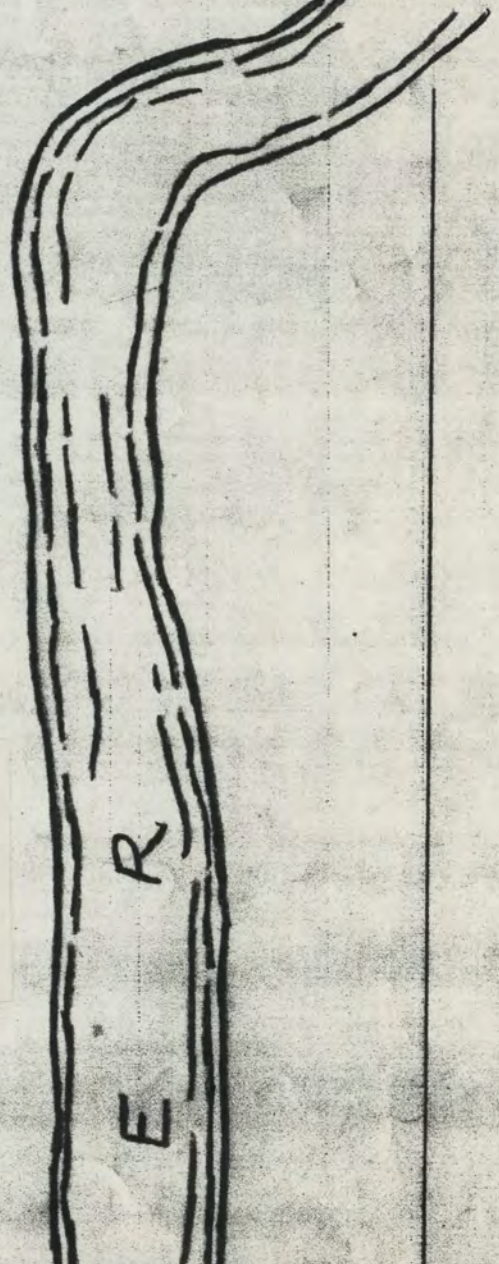
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TAUNTON MULTIPLE RESOURCE
 NOMINATION
 FORM NO. 348
 PETER WALKER HOUSE
 SCALE: 1" = 100'
 MAP NO. WDL, Pg. 26, Lot 17
 ACREAGE :57



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

Multiple Property Cover Sheet Reference Number: 64000297