

FORM B - BUILDING

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
 80 BOYLSTON STREET
 BOSTON, MA 02116

AREA	FORM NO.
D	247

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

Town Wakefield

Address 27-29 Tuttle Street

Historic Name Wakefield Upper Depot

Use: Present Offices

Original Denot

DESCRIPTION

Date c. 1889

Source Inscription

Style Panel Brick

Architect NA

Exterior Wall Fabric Brick

Outbuildings #49 Tuttle Street is railroad building. (no outbuildings)

Major Alterations (with dates) Roof all 1975 replaced, canopy lost in fire, sash altered, ornament loss, door replaced
 Condition Excellent

Moved No Date N/A

Acreage Under 1 acre

Setting Railroad track facade faces east, street facade east.

UTM REFERENCE 19/329400/4707400

USGS QUADRANGLE Reading, Mass.

SCALE 1:25,000

Recorded by Architectural Preservation Associates
 Organization Wakefield Historical Commission
 Date March 1985

NATIONAL REGISTER CRITERIA STATEMENT (if applicable)

One of 2 railroad depots existing in downtown Wakefield, this was a main station serving the town center. It is a well preserved example of a rather unusual architectural style, Panel Brick, and represents the tremendous development of Wakefield unleashed by the advent of the railroad in 1845. The building retains integrity of location, design, setting, materials, workmanship, feeling and association and meets Criteria A and C of the NRHP on the local level.

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

This is a 1½ story brick depot with a relatively simple plan, but is a style which called for quite a bit of exterior ornament, the Panel Brick Style. The main portion of the building is rectangular in shape under a gable roof, which was rebuilt in an altered form after a fire. On the west facade is a transverse central gable which projects slightly as a pavilion. On the east is an identical gable and, in addition, two angled, one story end bays and one center bay add visual complexity to the composition. Most representative of the style's decorative intent are the end wall chimneys on the north and south facades where the brick has been laid in panels and corbelling to make up geometric designs. A corbelled stringcourse encircles the building, while rough cut granite lintels, sills and watertable add further relief to the surface.

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

Had it not been for Dr. Thaddeus Spaulding, the Boston & Main Railroad might have passed west of Wakefield and changed the course of its industrial and residential history. Spaulding first saw the possibilities of the railroad and together with other prominent men arranged its passing through Wakefield in 1845. The impact of the ease of communication with cities north and south of Wakefield was much the same as in many towns it passed through: it allowed industry to develop and it brought new residents who commuted to work in Boston. In 1893, in fact, the Boston & Maine had six passenger stations in town and ran 60 trains a day between Wakefield and Boston for 1500 passengers. This was a main station near town center. It originally had a baggage depot beside the track south of the station and sat on property owned by the Boston & Maine which extended as far as Murray Street.

BIBLIOGRAPHY and/or REFERENCES

Malden, Maplewood, Wakefield, Reading, Stoneham, Medford and West Medford, N.Y., 1893.

United States Department of the Interior
National Park ServiceNational Register of Historic Places
Continuation Sheet

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Multiple Resource Area
Thematic GroupName Wakefield MRA
State Middlesex County, MASSACHUSETTS

Nomination/Type of Review

Date/Signature

81. Wakefield Park Substantive Review for Keeper Beth L. Savage 3/2/90

Attest _____

82. Wakefield Rattan Company Substantive Review for Keeper Beth L. Savage 7/6/89

Attest _____

83. Wakefield Savings Bank Clock Substantive Review DOE/OWNER OBJECTION Keeper _____ R

Attest _____

84. Wakefield Trust Company Entered in the for Keeper Arlene Byers 7/6/89
National Register

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85. Wakefield Upper Depot Entered in the for Keeper Arlene Byers 7/6/89
National Register

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86. Warren, H.M., School Entered in the for Keeper Arlene Byers 7/6/89
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87. West Ward School Entered in the for Keeper Arlene Byers 7/6/89
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88. Winn Street Railroad Bridge Substantive Review Keeper _____ R

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89. Winn, Suell, House Entered in the for Keeper Arlene Byers 7/6/89
National Register

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90. Winship, Charles, House for Keeper Beth L. Savage 7/6/89

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

REQUESTED ACTION: NOMINATION

PROPERTY Wakefield Upper Depot
NAME:

MULTIPLE Wakefield MRA
NAME:

STATE & COUNTY: MASSACHUSETTS, Middlesex

DATE RECEIVED: 5/23/89 DATE OF PENDING LIST: 6/06/89
DATE OF 16TH DAY: 6/22/89 DATE OF 45TH DAY: 7/07/89
DATE OF WEEKLY LIST:

REFERENCE NUMBER: 89000719

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 7/6/89 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 _____



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27-29 Tuttle Street

Wakefield Upper Depot

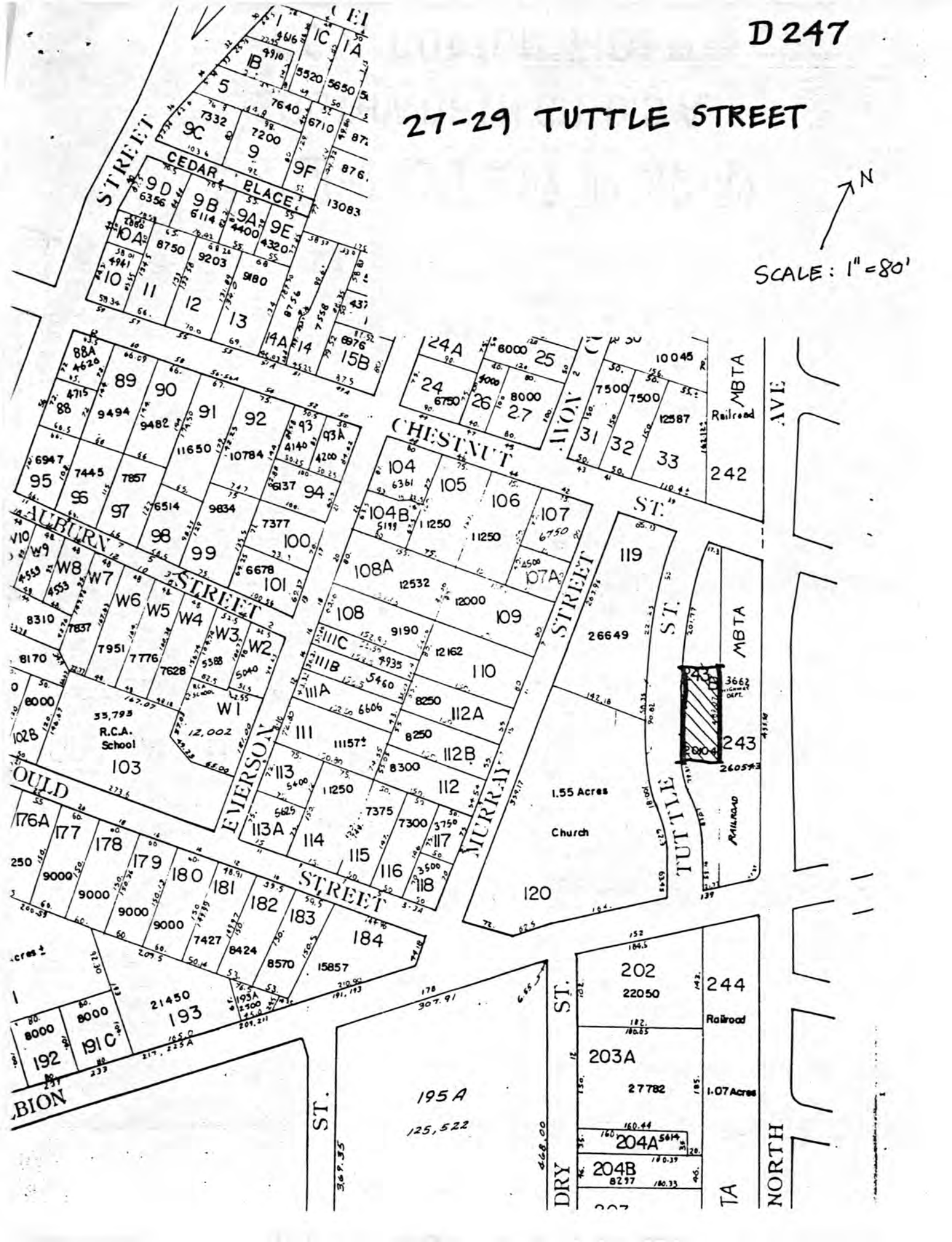
Wakefield MRT, Ma

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27-29 TUTTLE STREET



SCALE: 1"=80'



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

Multiple Property Cover Sheet Reference Number: 64000300