

FORM B - BUILDING

Area	Form no. 39-199-15
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MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
294 Washington Street, Boston, MA 02108

 PHOTO (3x3" or 3x5", black & white)
 Staple to left side of form
 Photo number _____

Town Brookline MRA
 Address 5 Lincoln Road (also 22 Stanton
 Historic Name NA HOUSE
 Use: Original residential
 Present residential
 Ownership: Private individual
 Private organization _____
 Public _____
 Original owner Probably Samuel Crafts

SKETCH MAP

Draw map showing property's location in relation to nearest cross streets and other buildings or geographical features.
Indicate north.

See attached map.

Newton Quadrangle
 UTM References: 19/324850/4688820
 Map #: 37

DESCRIPTION:

Date 1849-1855
 Source subdivision plan and map
 Style Italianate
 Architect information not available
 Exterior wall fabric clapboard
 Outbuildings small garage

Major alterations (with dates) _____
convert to two family - 1928
add dormer - 1939

Moved no Date _____
 Approx. acreage 4908 sq.ft.

Setting Set on small corner lot, across the street from very similar Italianate-style house, dating from same period

Recorded by Carla Benka
 Organization Brookline Historical Com
 Date October 1980

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** rectangular or squarish centered gable plan, in many respects similar to the hipped roof variety; and the asymmetrical (in almost all instances L-shaped) configuration which breaks out of the restrained square or rectangular house form and reflects, along with the Gothic Revival style, the influence of the Picturesque mode.

ARCHITECTURAL SIGNIFICANCE (describe important architectural features and evaluate in terms of other buildings within community)

One of four Italianate houses on the street (see also #25, 44 and 50), this house was identical to #25 until alterations were made to the latter during the 1970's. Older than #s 44 and 50, #5 Lincoln Road presents a number of typical characteristics for the Italianate style: note the deep eaves, double brackets, porch supports, rounded windows, and heavy cornices over first and second story windows. Many of these features can be seen the designs of the other houses. Examples of the Italianate style in Brookline include the common and self-contained front gable arrangement whose form is closely related to the Greek Revival style the box shaped house with hipped roof and, in some cases, cupolas; the**

HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE (explain the role owners played in local or state history and how the building relates to the development of the community)

Although the exact construction date of this house can not be determined, a study of a subdivision plan of 1849 and tax lists dating from the 1850s indicates that this house was probably built in 1852, the same date indicated for #25 Stanton Road. The first owner appears to have been Samuel Crafts who inherited a large parcel of land from his aunt, Susanna Sharp Croft, widow of Samuel Croft. Crafts, one of the founders of the Harvard Congregational Society, *** sold some of his land on Washington Street, near School Street, for the construction of the first Harvard Church (no longer standing). Crafts lived on Washington Street, near Cypress, and rented this house to E.S. Ritchie (see form for 112 Cypress Street) in 1855. By 1857, Ritchie had purchased the house. Ritchie built a magnetic observatory on Gorham Avenue (located near Lincoln Road), a "neat octagonal building, designed by T.P. Chandler, Jr., for the use of the Bureau of Navigation of the U.S. Navy. It was built of wood and copper, no iron being employed, and is furnished by the Bureau, with the most delicate instruments known to science, for the adjustment and testing of compasses." He was also a manufacturer of other philosophical instruments. (see Harriet Woods, Historical Sketches of Brookline, p. 404)

Lincoln Road was probably named for Albert Lamb Lincoln, a Boston attorney, who had purchased #44 Stanton Road by 1884. (See #30-32 Webster Pl.)

***For more information on Crafts, see form for #25 Stanton Road.

5 Lincoln Road meets NR criteria C, being one of a group of Italianate style houses in a concentrated area which retains its asymmetrical (L-shaped) configuration and picturesque massing as well as such intact details as bracketed eaves; bracketed windowheads; triple windows; one story polygonal bays; partial entry porch with square porch supports; and round arched windows.

BIBLIOGRAPHY and/or REFERENCES

Harriet Woods, Historical Sketches of Brookline
Maps-1844, 1855, 1858
Atlas-1874
Engineering Plan- L 12 C 22
Tax lists-1854-1857

United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service

National Register of Historic Places
Inventory—Nomination Form

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Continuation sheet

Item number

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Multiple Resource Area
Thematic Group

Name Brookline MRA
State MASSACHUSETTS

Nomination/Type of Review

Date/Signature

41. House at
(5 Lincoln Rd.)

Entered in the
National Register

Keeper

Delores Byers 10/17/85

Attest

42. House at
(12--16 Corey Rd.)

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National Register

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43. House at
(25 Stanton Rd.)

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44. House at
(38--40 Webster Pl.)

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45. House at
(44 Linden St.)

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46. House at
(44 Stanton Rd.)

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47. House at
(83 Penniman Pl.)

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48. House at
(89 Rawson Rd. &
86 Colburne Crescent)

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National Register

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49. House at
(105 Marion St.)

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National Register

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50. House at
(155 Reservoir Rd.)

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Delores Byers 10/17/85

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

House (Brookline MRA) (5 Lincoln Rd)
Norfolk County
MASSACHUSETTS

Working No. SEP 4 1985
Fed. Reg. Date: 2/3/87
Date Due: 10/3/85 - 10/19/85
Action: ACCEPT 10-17-85
 RETURN
 REJECT
Federal Agency: _____

Entered in the
National Register

- 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	Status	Present Use
	Public Acquisition	Accessible	

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	Check one	Check one
<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input type="checkbox"/> original site
<input type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> altered	<input type="checkbox"/> moved date _____
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	
	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	
	<input type="checkbox"/> 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

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: _____



LINCOLN

NO PARKING
ANYTIME

5 Lincoln Rd
Brookline (Ma) MA

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5 Lincoln Road (31/199-15)
Brookline (Ma) MRA

Town of Brookline Map Jan '81
scale 1/2" = 200 ft.

