

FORM B - BUILDING

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

In Area no.

Form no.

K-14-1

2. Photo (3x3" or 3x5")
Staple to left side of form
Photo number _____

1. Town Fall River, Mass.

Address 1270-1288 Pleasant Street

Name Greany Building

Present use Commercial and residential

Present owner Jos. O. Sousa et al.

3. Description: 4 st. brick & granite commercial
block

Date 1891

Source Building Permit #293

Style Victorian Commercial Style

Architect _____

Exterior wall fabric Brick w/granite trim

Outbuildings (describe) _____

Other features Corbelled brick cornice,
granite quoins, granite sills, terra cotta
insets. Arched windows set in bays framed
by brick courses.

Altered Some storefronts Date _____

Moved _____ Date _____

5. Lot size: 9,991 sq. ft.

One acre or less X Over one acre _____

Approximate frontage _____

Approximate distance of building from street _____

6. Recorded by Kenneth Champlin

Organization FROHP

Date 2/11/81

4. Map. Draw sketch of building location
in relation to nearest cross streets and
other buildings. Indicate north.



(over)

7. Original owner (if known) Thomas Greany
 Original use Dry Goods Store and Apartments
 Subsequent uses (if any) and dates _____

8. Themes (check as many as applicable)

Aboriginal	_____	Conservation	_____	Recreation	_____
Agricultural	_____	Education	_____	Religion	_____
Architectural	<u>X</u>	Exploration/ settlement	_____	Science/ invention	_____
The Arts	_____	Industry	_____	Social/ humanitarian	_____
Commerce	<u>X</u>	Military	_____	Transportation	_____
Communication	_____	Political	_____		
Community development	<u>X</u>				

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

The Greany Building, a large four-story brick and granite commercial block, straddles the northeast corner of Flint and Pleasant Streets and can be considered the "heart" of the Flint. Erected between 1890-92 by Thomas Greany, in the 1890's the building housed Greany Dry Goods and/or Greany, The Mason, depending on the year and whim of Mr. Greany. In 1896, the Rinfret Bros., clothiers, operated a substantial business at #1288, in the portion of the building furthest east from the intersection. The upper floors provided living space for 15 families. The building appears to echo the scale and ornamentation of the Academy, the premier downtown commercial building--although the Greany Building is obviously only a vernacular rendition of the High Victorian Style.

In its style, materials and workmanship, the Greany Building is clearly superior to other commercial buildings in local shopping areas such as the Flint. It utilizes a lively combination of brick, granite and terra cotta in a simple but sophisticated design which responds to the corner site and sloping topography of the street. As one of the finest late 19th century commercial blocks in Fall River, the building meets Criteria C of the National Register individually.

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

Atlas 1895: Shown
 1883: Smaller, different building shown
 Water Dept: Thomas Greany, April 30, 1892, #2621
 Bldg. Dept: Flint Street #293, 9/29/1891, brick & stone corner Pleasant, store and tenement, 45x120, 4 st. stone found. \$6000
 Directory : 1891 Thomas Greany, mason; Mrs. Thomas, dry goods, 336 Pleasant Street

National Register of Historic Places Inventory—Nomination Form

For NPS use only

received 1/5/83

date entered

Continuation sheet

Item number

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Multiple Resource Area
Thematic Group

Name Fall River Multiple Resource Area
State MA

Nomination/Type of Review

Date/Signature

41. Foster Spinning Co.

Substantive Review

Keeper

2/16/83 Bruce Van Dusen

Attest

42. Globe Yarn Mills

Entered in the
National Register

for Keeper

2/16/83 Delores Byers

Attest

43. Granite Mills

Substantive Review

Determined Eligible
Keeper

2/16/83 Bruce Van Dusen

Attest

44. Greany Building

Entered in the
National Register

for Keeper

2/16/83 Delores Byers

Attest

45. Hargraves Mill #1

Entered in the
National Register

for Keeper

2/16/83 Delores Byers

Attest

46. Hathaway, James D., House

Entered in the
National Register

for Keeper

2/16/83 Delores Byers

Attest

47. Highlands Historic District

Entered in the
National Register

for Keeper

2/16/83 Delores Byers

Attest

48. Hiker, The, (statue)

Substantive Review

Keeper

RS

Attest

49. House at 108-112 Quarry Street

Entered in the
National Register

for Keeper

2/16/83 Delores Byers

Attest

50. Jesus Marie Convent

Entered in the
National Register

for Keeper

2/16/83 Delores Byers

Attest

United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service

Greany Building (Fall River MRA)
Bristol County
MASSACHUSETTS

Working No. 115/83-15

Fed. Reg. Date: 2.7.84

Date Due: 2/3/83 - 2/19/83

Action: ☒ ACCEPT 2/16/83

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	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
☐ excellent	☐ deteriorated	☐ original site
☐ good	☐ ruins	☐ moved date _____
☐ fair	☐ unrestored	

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

Acres of nominated property _____

Quadrangle name _____

UNIT 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: 202 272 - 3504

Comments for any item may be continued on an attached sheet



Fall River MRA, Ma

1270-1288 Pleasant St.

Greany Building

(no neg)

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

Multiple Property Cover Sheet Reference Number: 64000279