

FORM B - BUILDING

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
80 BOYLSTON STREET
BOSTON, MA 02116

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| AREA | FORM NO. |
| | 4267 |

Town Newton, Mass. M.R.A.
Newton (Auburndale)

Address 31 Woodbine Street

Historic Name none

Use: Present dwelling

Original dwelling

DESCRIPTION

Date circa 1845

Source Jackson Homestead Publication

Style Greek Revival

Architect unknown

Exterior Wall Fabric clapboard

Outbuildings garage

Major Alterations (with dates) bay with
cap-mid-nineteenth century

Condition Very Good

Moved no Date _____

Acreage 34,195 sq. ft. *less than one acre*

Setting Suburban residential

Recorded by Bruce Fernald

Organization Newton Historical Comm.

Date 12/28/79

Rev. by H.White 3/86

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

SEE ATTACHED MAP

UTM REFERENCE 19.314400.4691440

USGS QUADRANGLE Natick, Mass.

SCALE 1:25,000

NATIONAL REGISTER CRITERIA STATEMENT (if applicable)

The house at 31 Woodbine Street is notable as one of the earliest suburban residences built in Auburndale after subdivision was initiated in 1847 by the North Auburn Dale Land Company. It is also an excellent and well-detailed example of the mainstream of Greek Revival design and therefore meets Criteria A and C of the National Register of Historic Places.

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

This two and one-half story frame dwelling is one of Auburndale's few examples of the Greek Revival style, and dates from the village's period of early suburbanization. The house is sited with the roof ridge parallel to the street. The gable roof is punctuated by a pair of pedimented dormers on the street elevation. A one-story portico encircles the south and east elevations. Other features characteristic of the style include the wide entablature and panelled corner pilasters. An exterior chimney is located on the south elevation flanked by full-length windows. The entrance consists of double doors set within a full-height polygonal bay.

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

William H. Blood, a Boston dry goods merchant purchased this house in 1870. His son, Charles W. Blood, was the author of a history of Auburndale during the early twentieth century.

BIBLIOGRAPHY and/or REFERENCES

City Atlases: 1874, 1886, 1895, 1907.

City Directories: 1871

Friends of the Jackson Homestead. Newton's Older Houses: Auburndale (no date).

**United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service**

**National Register of Historic Places
Inventory—Nomination Form**

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date entered

Continuation sheet

Item number

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Multiple Resource Area
Thematic Group

Name Newton MRA
State Middlesex County, MA

Nomination/Type of Review

Date/Signature

71. House at 31 Woodbine Street

Entered in the
National Register

for Keeper

Delores Byers 9/4/86

Attest

72. House at 41 Middlesex Road

National Register

for Keeper

Delores Byers 9/4/86

Attest

73. House at 47 Sargent Street

National Register

for Keeper

Delores Byers 9/4/86

Attest

74. House at 511 Watertown
Street

Entered in the
National Register

for Keeper

Delores Byers 9/4/86

Attest

75. House at 60 William Street

National Register

for Keeper

Delores Byers 9/4/86

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76. House at 68 Maple Street

Entered in the
National Register

for Keeper

Delores Byers 9/4/86

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77. House at 729 Dedham Street

National Register

for Keeper

Delores Byers 9/4/86

Attest

78. House at 81--83 Gardner
Street

Entered in the
National Register

for Keeper

Delores Byers 9/4/86

Attest

79. Hyde House

National Register

for Keeper

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80. Hyde, Eleazer, House

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National Register

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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

House at 31 Woodbine Street (Newton MRA)
Middlesex County
MASSACHUSETTS

Working No. _____
Fed. Reg. Date: JUL 23 1986 21387
Date Due: 8/21/86 - 9/6/86
Action: ACCEPT 9/4/86
 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

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|----------|---------------------------------|----------------------|-------------|
| 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

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

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: _____



Newton, Mass: MRA

House at

- 31 Woodbine St, Auburndale
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City of Newton Assessor's Maps. Sheet 38
 Metric Series. 1979
 Scale: UTM grid line interval = 100 meters (328 feet)

Newton, Mass. M.R.A.
 31 Woodbine Street, Auburndale
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