

FORM B - BUILDING

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

In Area no.	Form no.
	116-E

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.

Roll 29

1. Town Worcester
Address 4 Dix Street
Name W.H. Goulding House
Present use residential
Present owner Gertrude A. Connor
3. Description:
Date pre-1849
Source Worc. Soc. of Antiquity
Style Greek Revival
Architect unknown
Exterior wall fabric clapboard
Outbuildings (describe) none
Other features side-hall plan, pediment
gable, Ionic porch
- Altered no Date _____
Moved From Harvard Street Date 1849-1850
5. Lot size: Assessors' Book 2, p. 30
Lot 15 7,218 sq.ft.
One acre or less X Over one acre _____
Approximate frontage 70'
Approximate distance of building from street
15'
R. Moore
6. Recorded by ed. B.R. Pfeiffer
Organization Worc. Heritage Pres. Soc.
Date November 1977

UTM:
19/268800/4683280

(over)

7. Original owner (if known) Henry Goulding
 Original use residence
 Subsequent uses (if any) and dates same

8. Themes (check as many as applicable)

Aboriginal	☐	Conservation	☐	Recreation	☐
Agricultural	☐	Education	☐	Religion	☐
Architectural	☒	Exploration/ settlement	☐	Science/ invention	☐
The Arts	☐	Industry	☐	Social/ humanitarian	☐
Commerce	☐	Military	☐	Transportation	☐
Communication	☐	Political	☐		
Community development	☐				

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

The Henry Goulding House is a two-storey frame house set on a foundation of rock-faced granite. The house's facade is made up of three bays with a side hall entry. The facade is framed by corner pilasters supporting an entablature and cornice which extend across the gable to create a pediment. At the first storey is an open porch supported by four fluted Ionic columns. The major entry is set in a pilastered frame with sidelights and original four-panel door.

The Goulding House was built between 1847 and 1849 at 26 Harvard Street for Henry Goulding, a machinery manufacturer and founder of the Worcester Mechanics' Association. Around 1850-1851 Goulding's woolen machinery business was purchased by Willard, Williams and Company, perhaps at a large profit which led Goulding to move this house to its **present site** and to build a large Italianate mansion at 26 Harvard Street. Once located at 4 Dix Street the house was sold to Samuel Bemis in 1850 and later to David Whiting Eames, Bemis's son-in-law.

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

Proceedings: Worcester Society of Antiquity, 1896. pp. 263-299.

Washburn, C. Industrial Worcester, pp. 87 and 137.

Property Worcester Multiple Resource Area (Partial Inventory)

State MA (Worcester) Working Number 8.30.79.2060

TECHNICAL

CONTROL

Photos 383 + 13
Maps 2, 63

Excellent multiple resource nomination for the entire city of Worcester. Both the general description & statement of significance & the individual inventory sheets are well done. Each type of property included is well justified, & reasons are listed for not including others at this time (e.g. 3-dickers). Down opposition is high. Minor problems with some properties are listed on attached sheets.

HISTORIAN

Call/Accept
Lightner
10.30.79

ARCHITECTURAL HISTORIAN

Concur with Bruce's comments on 102-L-3, 116-CBD-11, 117-E, and 130-CBD-50 and 44. Integrity and/or boundaries need to be addressed specifically on individual forms. DOUBLE

ARCHEOLOGIST

116-CBD-11 - Destroyed, cannot be listed.
130-CBD-44 - I am not convinced this has lost integrity. See attached.
102-L-3 - Period of significance and categorization of 1 bps need to be discussed with State.

With 3 exceptions all properties appear to me to meet the criteria and the forms are adequate. ~~Both~~ both technically and to determine significance. Although some of the forms did not contain strong statements of significance the resource categories were thoroughly discussed in the body of the nomination; therefore significance was established. VBDs were not necessary because

OTHER

Accept
MacDonald
2/28/80

of the scale maps and clearly delineated boundaries. Hurdle was missing on some properties but is now included after the 2/11/corrections.

HAER

The only properties that I do not recommend listing are

Inventory _____

✓ 116-CBD-13 - destroyed by fire MD - 116 CBD-11

Review _____

130-CBD-44 - does not retain integrity for individual eligibility

✓ 102-L-3 I ~~was~~ am not convinced about boundaries

REVIEW UNIT CHIEF

but believe they could be OK. ~~Based~~

on additional documentation submitted - I defer judgement.

Recommend

Listing all properties ~~except~~ now these 3. Return 116-CBD-11 to State (not eligible); ~~also ok~~ to discuss further w/ NR staff + State. DOUBLE

BRANCH CHIEF 3/3/80

Return 102-L-3 to State for correction;

HOLD 130-CBD-44 for info from State

Staff conference 3/5/80 - agreed to action as noted below:

KEEPER

Accept with exception of 116-CBD-11 (official notification of fire & claims from State), 102-L-3 (returning to State for revision - also returning 116-CBD-11) and 130-CBD-44 (listing from State)

Soldner
3/5/80

National Register Write-up _____

Send-back _____

Entered _____

MAR 5 1980

Federal Register Entry 2.3.81

Re-submit _____



JUN 1979



by Berkeley

112
W
W

116-E³⁰ AUG 1979
Goulding, W. H., Hove
4 Dix St.
Worcester MA
south + east
elevations

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

Multiple Property Cover Sheet Reference Number: 64000304