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FORM B - BUILDINGAREAFORM NO.Prospect
Hill

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MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
80 BOYLSTON STREET
BOSTON, MA 02116

Photo (3"x3" or 3"x5", black and
white) Indicate address of
property on back of photo.
Staple to left side of form.

Town Somerville MRAAddress 30 Warren AvenueHistoric Name A. L. Lovejoy HouseUse: Present residenceOriginal residence

DESCRIPTION

Date 1871-1873Source map researchStyle Second EmpireArchitect unknownExterior Wall Fabric clapboardOutbuildings mansard-roofed barn, slatecovered roof. (ca. 1874)Major Alterations (with dates) noneCondition ExcellentMoved No Date n/aAcreage Less than one acre.

Setting The Lovejoy House is located on a
hill in an urban residential neighborhood
in northeast Somerville. Surrounded by

late-19th century Mansard and Second
Empire dwellings.

Recorded by Betsy FriedbergOrganization Massachusetts Historical Comm.Date May 1986

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 Assessor's Map

UTM REFERENCE 19 - 327/460 - 4694/040

USGS QUADRANGLE Boston NorthSCALE 1:25,000

NATIONAL REGISTER CRITERIA STATEMENT (if applicable)

The A. L. Lovejoy House retains integrity of location, design, materials, workmanship, feeling, as well as association with Somerville's development in the decades following the Civil War. The well detailed Second Empire-style house is characteristic of dwellings erected in the Prospect Hill neighborhood for businessmen and professionals who commuted to Boston. The building fulfills Criteria A and C of the National Register of Historic Places on the local level.

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

This residence, built in 1874 is characteristic of the handsome Second Empire-style and Queen Anne-style houses of the Prospect Hill area. Columbus and Warren Streets were laid out for house lots by Somerville realtor Ira Hill in 1870, and this was one of the first houses to be built in the subdivision. Two bays wide and 2 1/2 stories in height with a full-height polygonal bay on the main facade; it retains its roof of patterned slate shingles and its ornamentation: paired and single brackets, window hoods, flat-roofed, bracketed porch, and round-headed attic dormers. The mansard-roofed stable is of particular significance: it is one of the few remaining stables in Somerville with original surfaces and details intact.

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

A. L. Lovejoy was a dealer in "fancy goods" in Boston. His former residence was on Highland Avenue near School Street; he probably lived in this house by 1874. 1872 Directories list his former address. Like other residents who lived on Prospect Hill, Lovejoy could commute to Boston on the nearby street rail and steam rail systems, both of which stopped in Union Square.

BIBLIOGRAPHY and/or REFERENCES

- 1887 Somerville City Directory
- 1872 Somerville City Directory
- 1874 Hopkins, G. M. Atlas of the City of Somerville.



A. J. Ivey's House stable
 30 WAKEN ST.
 Somerville, (MKA), Mass.

United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service

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National Register of Historic Places
Continuation Sheet

Section number _____ Page _____

Multiple Resource Area
Thematic GroupName Somerville MPS
State Middlesex County, MASSACHUSETTS

Nomination/Type of Review

Date/Signature

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| 51. Langmaid Building | Entered in the
National Register | for Keeper <u>Melrose Byers</u> 9/18/89 |
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| 52. Langmaid Terrace | Entered in the
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| 53. Lockhardt, Charles H., House | Entered in the
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| 54. Loring, George, House | Entered in the
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| 55. Lovejoy, A.L., House | Entered in the
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| 56. Munroe, Robert, House | Entered in the
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| 60. Niles, Louville, House | Entered in the
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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 Lovejoy, A. L., House
NAME:

MULTIPLE Somerville MPS
NAME:

STATE & COUNTY: MASSACHUSETTS, Middlesex

DATE RECEIVED: 8/04/89 DATE OF PENDING LIST: 8/15/89
DATE OF 16TH DAY: 8/31/89 DATE OF 45TH DAY: 9/18/89
DATE OF WEEKLY LIST:

REFERENCE NUMBER: 89001297

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 9/18/89 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
___UTMs ___boundary justification

ACCOMPANYING DOCUMENTATION/PRESENTATION

___sketch maps ___USGS maps ___photographs ___presentation

OTHER COMMENTS

Questions concerning this nomination may be directed to

_____ Phone _____

Signed _____ Date _____



1. 30 Warren Avenue
2. Somerville ^{MA} MA
3. G. Schuler
4. 1988
5. Somerville City Hall
6. looking west
7. #179

Lovesey, A. C., Hux

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

Multiple Property Cover Sheet Reference Number: 64500253