

FORM B - BUILDING

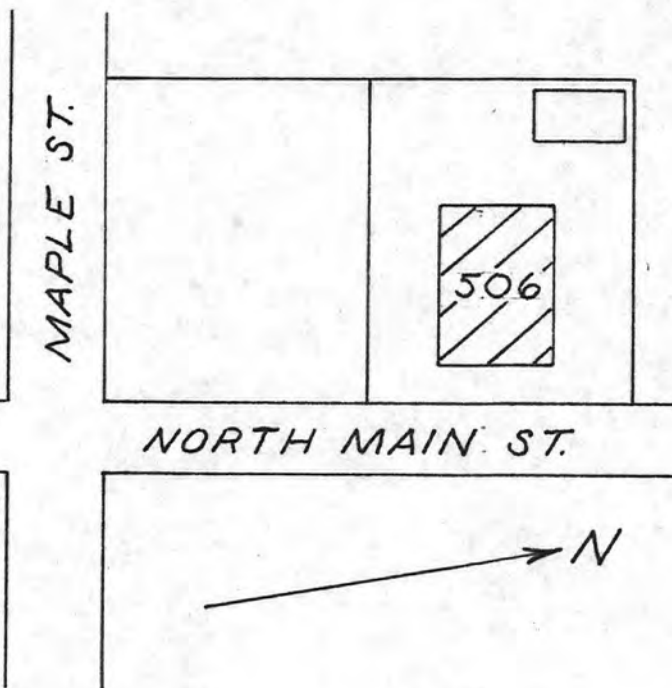
MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
Office of the Secretary, State House, Boston

In Area no.
W.C. 5-8

Form no.
071A+23
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2. Photo (3x3" or 3x5")
Staple to left side of form
Photo number PSNR-1614

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



1. Town Fall River, Mass.
Address 506 North Main St.
Name Nathan Read House
Present use multi-family
Present owner Rose Weiner, Life Estate
3. Description: 2½ st. w/pedimented end gable
Date C. 1845
Source v/a, deeds
Style Greek Revival
Architect _____
Exterior wall fabric clapboard
Outbuildings (describe) garage
Other features granite block found. pedi ment w/full entablature below flat cornice. Ionic portico entrance frames 3-part door w/transom.
Altered _____ Date _____
Moved _____ Date _____
5. Lot size: 11,288 sq. ft.
One acre or less X Over one acre _____
Approximate frontage 76'
Approximate distance of building from street 15'
6. Recorded by Wayne Mendonca
Organization FROHP
Date 12/10/80

(over)

7. Original owner (if known) Nathan Read

Original use residence

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	<u>X</u>	Industry	_____	Social/ humanitarian	_____
Commerce	<u>X</u>	Military	_____	Transportation	_____
Communication	<u>X</u>	Political	_____		
Community development	<u>X</u>				

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

Handsome, modest-sized Greek Revival house with all detail intact. Built C. 1845 by Nathan Read, owner of Nathan Read & Co., a Hat, Cap and Fur store, located in the Granite Block downtown.

Although not "temple-fronted" this house is part of a cluster of outstanding Greek Revival houses built down-town, on North Main St. after the 1843 fire. Much of Greek Revival Fall River has disappeared and these few houses are fitting representative examples of that Early Industrial period when major mill-owners and prosperous merchants built new houses in the Greek Revival style. It is an outstanding example of the Greek Revival in Fall River and by its architectural significance, integrity of design and workmanship and its historical associations meets Criteria A & C of the National Register.

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

Atlas 1895: shown
1883: shown, N. Read
1871: shown, N. Read
1858: shown, N. Read
1850: shown, Nathan Read

Directory: 1853 Nathan Read (Nathan Read & Co.) Hats, Caps and Furs,
9 Granite Block, house 134 No. Main.

Deeds: Samuel Rodman to Nathan Read for \$1,033, land July 15, 1844 Bk.37
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United States Department of the Interior
National Park ServiceNational Register of Historic Places
Inventory—Nomination Form

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Continuation sheet

Item number

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Multiple Resource Area
Thematic GroupName Fall River Multiple Resource Area
State MA

Nomination/Type of Review

Date/Signature

71. Read, Nathan, House

Substantive Review

Keeper

2/16/83 Bruce M. Doyle

Attest

72. Ruggles Park

Entered in the
National Register

Keeper

2/16/83 Delores Byers

Entered in the
National Register

Attest

73. Sagamore Mill No. 2

Keeper

2/16/83 Delores Byers

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National Register

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74. Sagamore Mills #1 and #3

Keeper

2/16/83 Delores Byers

Attest

75. Sanford Spinning Co.

Entered in the
National Register

Keeper

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76. Santo Christo Church

Entered in the
National Register

Keeper

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77. Seaconnet Mills

Entered in the
National Register

Keeper

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78. Smith, John Mace, House

Entered in the
National Register

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79. St. Anne's Church and Parish
ComplexEntered in the
National Register

Keeper

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80. St. Joseph's Church

Entered in the
National Register

Keeper

2/16/83 Delores Byers

Attest

United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service

Substantive Review

Read, Nathan, House (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
☐ RETURN
☐ REJECT

☐ resubmission
☐ nomination by person or local government
☐ owner objection
☐ appeal

Federal Agency: _____

Substantive Review: ☒ sample ☐ request ☐ appeal ☐ NR decision

Reviewer's comments:

Recom. / Criteria Accept / Acc
Reviewer Mr. [unclear]
Discipline A.H.
Date 2.16.80
☐ 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	☐ unaltered	☐ original site
☐ good	☐ ruins	☐ altered	☐ moved date _____
☐ fair	☐ unexposed		

Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

☐ summary paragraph
☐ completeness
☐ clarity
☐ alterations/integrity
☐ dates
☐ boundary selection

8. Significance

Period _____ Area 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 _____

UMT 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



NAME: Nathan Reed House

LOCATION: 506 North Main Street
Fall River, ^{Mass.} Mass.

PHOTO CREDIT: Pamela Shields (1982)

NEGATIVE FILED AT: Fall River Office of Historic
Preservation
One Government Center
Fall River, Mass. 02722
(PSNR-16-14)

IDENTIFICATION: Nathan Reed House
West Facade, looking east

Photo # 1 of 2



Fall River MRA, Ma

Nathan Read House

506 North Main St.

PSNR -16-14

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

Multiple Property Cover Sheet Reference Number: 64000279