

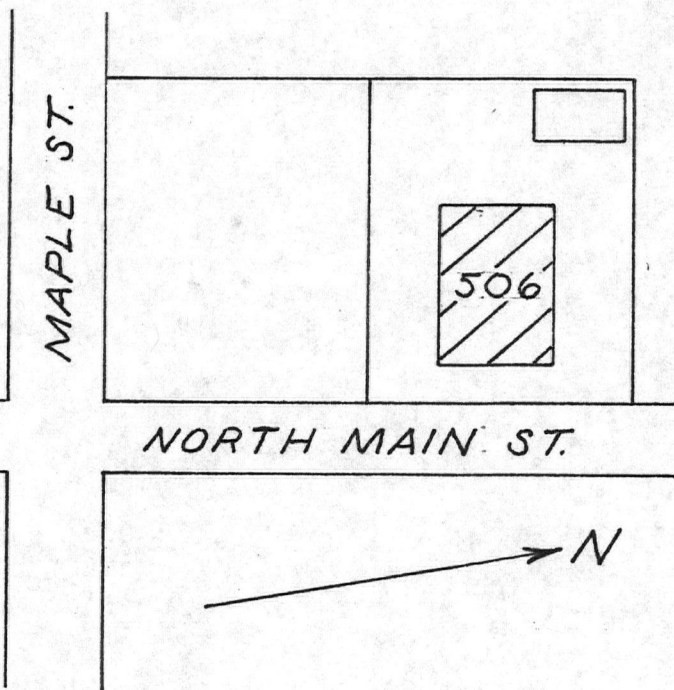
FORM B - BUILDING

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

In Area no. W.C. 5-8	Form no. 071A+2B 268
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2. Photo (3x3" or 3x5")  
Staple to left side of form  
Photo number PSNR-1674

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	_____	Industry	_____	Social/ humanitarian	_____
Commerce	<u>J.O'S 9/6/63</u> <del>_____</del>	Military	_____	Transportation	_____
Communication	_____	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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Inventory—Nomination Form

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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

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71. Read, Nathan, House Substantive Review	2/16/83 Bruce [Signature]
	Attest
72. Ruggles Park Entered in the National Register for	2/10/83 Delores Byers
	Attest
73. Sagamore Mill No. 2 Entered in the National Register for	2/10/83 Delores Byers
	Attest
74. Sagamore Mills #1 and #3 Entered in the National Register for	2/10/83 Delores Byers
	Attest
75. Sanford Spinning Co. Entered in the National Register for	2/10/83 Delores Byers
	Attest
76. Santo Christo Church Entered in the National Register for	2/10/83 Delores Byers
	Attest
77. Seaconnet Mills Entered in the National Register for	2/10/83 Delores Byers
	Attest
78. Smith, John Mace, House Entered in the National Register for	2/10/83 Delores Byers
	Attest
79. St. Anne's Church and Parish Complex Entered in the National Register for	2/10/83 Delores Byers
	Attest
80. St. Joseph's Church Entered in the National Register for	2/10/83 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  
Federal Agency: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Substantive Review:  sample  request  appeal  NR decision

Reviewer's comments:

Recom./Criteria Accept/Arc  
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
<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input type="checkbox"/> original site
<input type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input type="checkbox"/> altered	<input type="checkbox"/> moved date _____
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> 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, <sup>Mass.</sup> 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 Reed 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