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MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
80 BOYLSTON STREET
BOSTON, MA 02116

| AREA | FORM NO. |
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| | 101 |

Town Quincy, MA / MRA

Address 199 Granite Street

Historic Name Salem Lutheran Church

Use: Present church

Original church

DESCRIPTION

Date 1892

Source cornerstone

Style Gothic Revival

Architect unknown

Exterior Wall Fabric granite

Outbuildings none

Major Alterations (with dates) Chapel addition (1914)--see reverse

Condition Good

Moved no Date n/a

Acreage .Less than one acre: 14,266 sq.

Setting The church is prominently sited on a granite outcropping with a commanding view of South and West Quincy.

Recorded by Fannin and Lehner / J. Johnson

Organization Quincy Historical Commission

Date June 1986 / May 1987

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 19/334,260 E/4,678,700N

USGS QUADRANGLE Blue Hills, MA

SCALE 1: 25,000

NATIONAL REGISTER CRITERIA STATEMENT (if applicable)

A well-preserved example of vernacular Gothic Revival church architecture in Quincy, the Salem Lutheran Church has important associations with the city's Scandanavian community. The church possesses integrity of association, design, materials, feeling, location, workmanship and setting, and fulfills Criteria A and C and exception A 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.

SEE INVENTORY FORM CONTINUATION SHEET

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

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BIBLIOGRAPHY and/or REFERENCES

Assessor's Records.

Quincy Patriot Ledger, July 3, 1965

Quincy Patriot Ledger: 100th Anniversary Edition. January, 1937, p. C-20.

Quincy Patriot Ledger, July 17, 1895

INVENTORY FORM CONTINUATION SHEET

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
Office of the Secretary, Boston

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| Community: QUINCY, MA | Form No: 101 |
| Property Name: <i>Salem Lutheran Church</i> | |

Indicate each item on inventory form which is being continued below.

**HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE -- 199 GRANITE STREET
SALEM LUTHERAN CHURCH**

Salem Lutheran Church is associated with the Scandanavian immigrants who arrived in Quincy in the late 19th century to work in the granite industry in West Quincy. In 1889, a small group organized the Swedish Evangelical Lutheran Salem Church. Early meetings of the entirely Swedish parish were held in the chapel of Christ Church on Quincy Avenue (1874, # 293) and later in Plummer's Hall on Hancock Street. By 1891, the membership was growing at such an encouraging rate that the congregation decided to purchase the ledge of rock on Granite Street for a church now known as "Church on the Rock." Church historians recall that the men of the congregation set to work with their own hands and quarried stones from the West Quincy quarries to build the church. Over the entrance to the tower are the abbreviations: "Sv. Ev. Luth. Salem Kyrka." The church was dedicated in 1894.

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**ARCHITECTURAL SIGNIFICANCE -- 197 GRANITE STREET
SALEM LUTHERAN CHURCH**

The Salem Lutheran Church is one of Quincy's two best Gothic Revival granite churches built in the 19th century (the other example is the 1874 Christ Church, #293). The church is prominently sited high on a granite ledge. The rough granite block building has a simple gable-roofed traditional plan with a square frontal tower. Granite steps lead to the pointed arched entrance in the tower flanked by two lancet arch windows. Lancet arch windows also line the walls of the rectangular nave. Further embellishments of the tower are an open belfry composed of pointed arches, a balustrade and spandrels decorated with trefoils, pinnacles at the corner, and a polychromatic slate roof on the octagonal wooden spire. In 1914, the chapel addition was built on the right rear section of the original church. The chapel continues the use of granite walls and lancet window openings; two large gabled dormers pierce its roof creating a fine picturesque ensemble.

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United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service

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National Register of Historic Places
Continuation Sheet

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Multiple Resource Area
Thematic Group

Name Quincy MRA
State Norfolk County, MASSACHUSETTS

| Nomination/Type of Review | Date/Signature |
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| 61. Quincy Savings Bank Entered in the National Register | for Keeper <u>Melvyn Byrum 9/20/89</u> Attest _____ |
| 62. Quincy Water Company Pumping Station Entered in the National Register | for Keeper <u>Melvyn Byrum 9/20/89</u> Attest _____ |
| 63. Record, Jonathan Dexter, House Entered in the National Register | for Keeper <u>Melvyn Byrum 9/20/89</u> Attest _____ |
| 64. Reed, Timothy, House Substantive Review | for Keeper <u>Beth L. Savage 9-20-89</u> Attest _____ |
| 65. Richards, Alfred H., House Entered in the National Register | for Keeper <u>Melvyn Byrum 9/20/89</u> Attest _____ |
| 66. Salem Lutheran Church Substantive Review | for Keeper <u>Beth L. Savage 9-20-89</u> Attest _____ |
| 67. Sheppard, Eben W., House Substantive Review DOE/OWNER OBJECTION | for Keeper <u>Eligible - Beth L. Savage 9-20-89</u> Attest _____ |
| 68. Sidelinger, George E., House Entered in the National Register | for Keeper <u>Melvyn Byrum 9/20/89</u> Attest _____ |
| 69. South Junior High School Entered in the National Register | for Keeper <u>Melvyn Byrum 9/20/89</u> Attest _____ |
| 70. Spear, Seth, Homestead Entered in the National Register | for Keeper <u>Melvyn Byrum 9/20/89</u> Attest _____ |

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

REQUESTED ACTION: NOMINATION

PROPERTY NAME: Salem Lutheran Church

MULTIPLE NAME: Quincy MRA

STATE & COUNTY: MASSACHUSETTS, Norfolk

DATE RECEIVED: 8/07/89 DATE OF PENDING LIST: 8/22/89
DATE OF 16TH DAY: 9/07/89 DATE OF 45TH DAY: 9/21/89
DATE OF WEEKLY LIST:

REFERENCE NUMBER: 89001341

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: Y NATIONAL: N

COMMENT WAIVER: N

ACCEPT RETURN REJECT 9/20/89 DATE

ABSTRACT/SUMMARY COMMENTS:

Well preserved Gothic Revival Church associated with Swedish immigrant population and the quarrying industry which was a mainstay in Quincy's economic development.

RECOM./CRITERIA Accept AAC
REVIEWER Savage
DISCIPLINE Architectural History
DATE 9/20/89

DOCUMENTATION see attached comments Y/ see attached SLR Y/

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
 UTM's boundary justification

ACCOMPANYING DOCUMENTATION/PRESENTATION

sketch maps USGS maps photographs presentation

OTHER COMMENTS

Questions concerning this nomination may be directed to

_____ Phone _____

Signed _____ Date _____



Salem Wtherran Church

199 Granite St. Street

by: Fannin / Lehner

at: Planning Dept - Quincy

view: North

date: Spring 1986

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#, Quincy, ^{MA} MASS.



Salem Lutheran Church

199 Granite St. Street

by: Fanning/Lehner

at: Planning Dept. - Quincy

date: Spring, 1986

view: South - tower -

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Quincy, Mass

Spring '86

JUL 1987



Salem Lutheran Church Church

199 Granite St. Lehigh Spring 86

by: Kamin / Lehner

at: Planning Dept. - Quincy

date: Spring 1986

view: west

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Quincy, Mass.

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Salem Lutheran Church

199 Granite St.

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view: North

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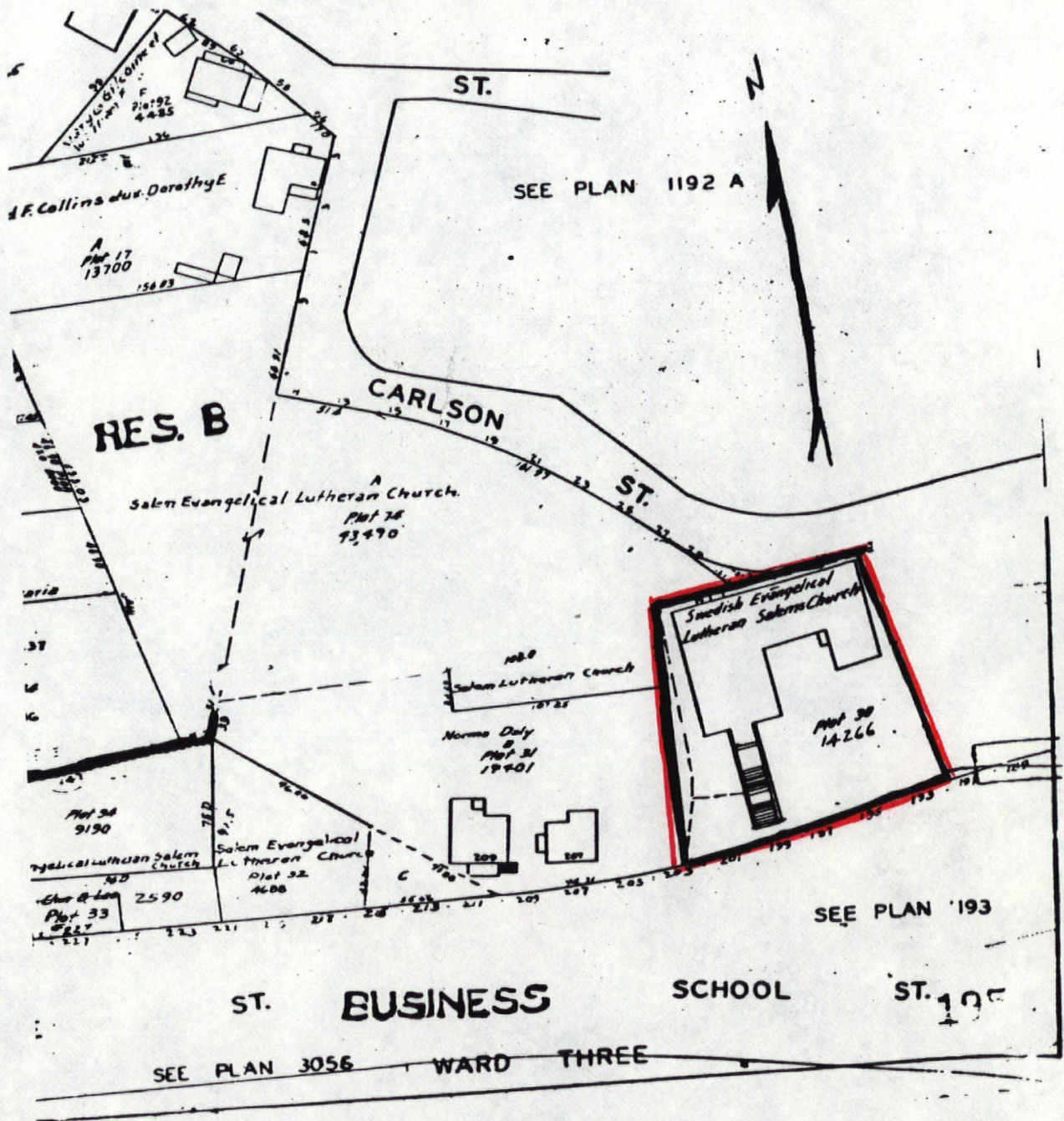
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Salem Lutheran Church

QUINCY, MASSACHUSETTS / MRA

Assessors Map # 1108

1979

Scale: 1 inch equals 80 feet

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

Multiple Property Cover Sheet Reference Number: 64000289