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Inventory No: GRN.63

Historic Name: Felton, Rev. George D. House

Common Name:

Address: 540 Main Rd

City/Town: Granville
Village/Neighborhood: Granville

Local No:

Year Constructed: 1804

Architect(s):

Architectural Style(s): Georgian

Use(s): Single Family Dwelling House

Significance: Architecture

Area(s): GRN.D: Granville Village

GRN.F: Granville Village Historic District

Designation(s): Nat'l Register District (11/05/1991)

Building Materials(s): Wall: Brick; Wood; Wood Clapboard



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Setting Village

Organization Granville Historic Commission

Date

August 1987 Date

Condition Very Good

Acreage 2.5 acres

Moved

NATIONAL REGISTER CRITERIA STATEMENT (if applicable)

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

This structure is one of a group of post-medieval buildings in Granville which share common architectural features such as 1st and 2nd story overhangs, corner boards and a large central chimney (27, 30, 35, 92, 104). The 2-story, 3-bay, gable-roofed residence exhibits an overhang at the 1st floor level on the south facade and a 2nd story overhang on the gable end. The center door is topped by transom lights and surrounded by fluted pilasters supporting a broken pediment.

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

This house was the residence of Jesse Spelman who served the Town as its Clerk and also was a member of the corporation that considered the possibility of a turnpike through Granville in 1801.

Rev. George D. Felton, a Baptist minister, lived in the house from 1845-1865. During his ministry, the Baptist Church added many new members which helped to establish the Church in Granville,

In 1912, the property was occupied by F. Henry who was a partner in the drum manufacturing shop of Baruch, Barlow and Henry. This was a competitor of the Noble & Cooley Co. during the 1880's.

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