BUILDING-STRUCTURE INVENTORY FORM

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IDENTIFICATION
1. BUILDING NAME(S): Hunt House
2. COUNTY: Seneca
3. STREET LOCATION: Routes 5 & 20, Waterloo
4. OWNERSHIP: a. public
5. PRESENT OWNER: Tom Olmstead
6. USE: Original: residence
    Present: residence
7. ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC: Exterior visible from public road: Yes
       Interior accessible: Explain

DESCRIPTION
8. BUILDING MATERIAL:
   a. clapboard
   b. stone
   c. brick
   d. board and batten
   e. cobblestone
   f. shingles
   g. stucco
   other:
9. STRUCTURAL SYSTEM:
   a. wood frame with interlocking joints
   b. wood frame with light members
   c. masonry load bearing walls
   d. metal (explain)
   e. other
10. CONDITION:
    a. excellent
    b. good
    c. fair
    d. deteriorated
11. INTEGRITY:
    a. original site
    b. moved
    c. list major alterations and dates (if known): 2-story front columns added, 19?
       1-story wing removed; Italianate-style side porch added, ca 1875,
       removed in 20th Century; circular driveway added, 1977.

PHOTO

MAP

Lot size = 1.9 acre
14. THREATS TO BUILDING: a. none known [X] b. zoning [ ] c. roads [ ]
   d. developers [ ] e. deterioration [ ]
   f. other: _______________________

15. RELATED OUTBUILDINGS AND PROPERTY:
   a. barn [ ] b. carriage house [ ] c. garage [ ]
   d. privy [ ] e. shed [ ] f. greenhouse [ ]
   g. shop [ ] h. gardens [ ]
   i. landscape features: wooded lot
   j. other: _______________________

16. SURROUNDINGS OF THE BUILDING (check more than one if necessary):
   a. open land [ ] b. woodland [ ]
   c. scattered buildings [X]
   d. densely built-up [ ] e. commercial [X]
   f. industrial [ ] g. residential [X]
   h. other: _______________________

17. INTERRELATIONSHIP OF BUILDING AND SURROUNDINGS:
   (Indicate if building or structure is in an historic district)
   Structure is in the proposed noncontiguous theme district
   known as the Women's Historic District

18. OTHER NOTABLE FEATURES OF BUILDING AND SITE (including interior features if known):
   Doorway with fanlight, sidelights
   Imposing 2-story, fluted columns

SIGNIFICANCE
19. DATE OF INITIAL CONSTRUCTION: ca. 1830

ARCHITECT: ____________________________________________

BUILDER: ______________________________________________

20. HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE:
   To this home on July 13, 1848, Mrs. Jane C. Hunt (owner) invited
   her friend Lucretia Mott of Philadelphia, Elizabeth Cady Stanton,
   Martha C. Wright of Auburn and Mary Ann McClintock of Waterloo
   to plan the First Women's Rights Convention in the U.S. The
   Hunts were Quakers, wealthy and active in the reformist affairs
   of their time. They all attended the Seneca Falls Convention
   held July 19 & 20, 1848 and were signers of the Declaration of
   Sentiments.

   1949, pp. 151-156.

22. THEMES: Women's Suffrage/residential
14. THREATS TO BUILDING:  
   a. none known  
   b. zoning  
   c. roads  
   d. developers  
   e. deterioration  
   f. other: Church wishes eventually to leave site making future unsure.

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   d. privy  
   e. shed  
   f. greenhouse  
   g. shop  
   h. gardens  
   i. landscape features:  
   j. other: Baptist Church

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   Structure is in the proposed noncontiguous theme district
   known as the Women's Historic District
   In Federal-style neighborhood, surrounded by buildings of
   similar age, construction and spatial quality

18. OTHER NOTABLE FEATURES OF BUILDING AND SITE (including interior features if known):  
   Beautiful front door with columns and side lights
   Fans in the gables
   small and delicate in scale

SIGNIFICANCE

19. DATE OF INITIAL CONSTRUCTION: 1833-1836

20. HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE:  
   This home was owned by Richard P. Hunt, a Quaker from Waterloo,  
   and rented by Quaker pharmacist Thomas McClintock and his wife,  
   Mary Ann. It was in this home on July 16, 1848, that the  
   Declaration of Sentiments, resolutions and speeches were drawn  
   up for the subsequent First Women's Rights Convention, held  
   July 19 & 20, 1848 in Seneca Falls, New York. Mrs. McClintock  
   was invited to the initial planning session of the Convention,  
   held at the Hunt House in Waterloo. Both Mr. and Mrs. McClintock  
   attended the Convention; Mary Ann was appointed Secretary of the  
   2-day meeting, and both signed the Declaration of Sentiments.  
   The house is a delicate, elegant example of the Federal-style  
   interpretation in Upstate New York.

21. SOURCES:  
   151-156.
   Anthony, Stanton & Gage. History of Woman Suffrage, p. 68.

Women's Suffrage/ residential
Women's Rights Historic Villages of Seneca Falls and Waterloo, Seneca County, 1980

Photo and Neg: Elizabeth Cady Stanton Foundation, 32 Washington St., Seneca Falls, NY

View: Jane Hunt House, Waterloo, NY

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Women's Rights Historic Sites, Seneca Falls and Waterloo, Seneca Co., NY
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