



Office of the City Clerk

ALEX GEOURNTAS
City Clerk

June 3, 2023

TO THE CITY COUNCIL,

Submitted herewith for your consideration, please find the designation of The Apollos Field House, 30 Union Street, Charlestown, MA 02129.

The foregoing designation was approved by the Boston Landmarks Commission on April 23, 2024 and having been presented to the Mayor was returned signed on May 20, 2024.

In accordance with the provisions of Chapter 772 of the Acts of 1975, as amended, if not acted upon within thirty days (July 6, 2024), the designation shall be deemed as if approved.

Respectfully

Alex Geourntas
City Clerk

cc Murry G. Miller, Director, Office of Historic Preservation
Boston Landmarks Commission



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RECEIVED FROM THE CITY CLERK FOR PRESENTATION TO THE
MAYOR, VIZ:

Designation as a Landmark - Petition #277.21, the Apollos Field House, 30
Union Street, Charlestown, MA



City of Boston
Historic Preservation



City of Boston
Mayor Michelle Wu

The Honorable Michelle Wu
Mayor of the City of Boston
Boston City Hall
Boston, MA 02201

May 14, 2024

RE: Petition #277.21 - The Apollos Field House, Charlestown

Dear Mayor Wu:

On April 23, 2024, the Boston Landmarks Commission unanimously voted to designate the Apollos Field House in Charlestown as a Landmark under the provisions of Chapter 772 of the Acts of 1975, as amended.

The Apollos Field House is significant as a sophisticated and well-preserved example of a Federal-style dwelling in the Union/Washington streets area in the Charlestown neighborhood of Boston. The building is also significant as a well-preserved example of the local Charlestown brick ender, oblong-form, ell-house-type dwelling and as the work of local housewright and carpenter William Wiley (1757-1827). The building is distinguished by its brick end chimneys and full-height brick gable walls on the east and west elevations; center-hall, single-pile plan; elliptical fanlight and sidelights around the main entry on the south façade; and rear ell.

The building also speaks to the complexity of the architectural milieu of buildings designed and constructed in Boston and surrounding towns in the early 19th century. The house is unusual in that Asher Benjamin owned it for a short period in 1815.

The Boston Landmarks Commission asks that you give full consideration to the designation of the Apollos Field House in Charlestown as a Boston Landmark.

Please don't hesitate to call me at (617) 635-2510 if you have any questions.

Best Regards,



Murray G. Miller
Director, Office of Historic Preservation

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Dear Mr. Geourntas,

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According to the Landmarks Commission’s statute, a designation approved by the Commission is presented to the Mayor for signing. If the Mayor disapproves the designation, they file the designation form with the City Clerk with objections noted in writing. If no mayoral action is taken on a designation, it is deemed approved by the Mayor after fifteen days.

The statute states that within thirty days following mayoral approval, the City Council can override a designation by a two-thirds vote. In the absence of City Council action, the designation is approved after the thirty-first day.

I appreciate your supervision of this approval process. Please call me at (617) 635-2510 if you have any questions.

Best Regards,



Murray G. Miller
Director, Office of Historic Preservation

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CITY CLERK'S OFFICE
2024 MAY 16 A 10:15
BOSTON, MA

**VOTE OF DESIGNATION BY THE
BOSTON LANDMARKS COMMISSION**

PROPERTY: The Apollos Field House, 30 Union Street, Charlestown, MA

VOTED: That on April 23, 2024, the Boston Landmarks Commission designates the Apollos Field House at 30 Union Street as a Boston Landmark under Chapter 772 of the Acts of 1975, as amended.

VOTING IN FAVOR:

John Amodeo
David Berarducci
Chris Hart

Richard Henderson
Justine Orlando
Lynn Smiledge

Bradford C. Walker
Anglea Ward-Hyatt

VOTING IN OPPOSITION:

None.

GENERAL CHARACTERISTICS OF THE SITE:

The Apollos Field House is significant as a sophisticated and well-preserved example of a Federal-style dwelling in the Union/Washington streets area in the Charlestown neighborhood of Boston. The building is also significant as a well-preserved example of the local Charlestown brick ender, oblong-form, ell-house-type dwelling and as the work of local housewright and carpenter William Wiley (1757-1827). The building is distinguished by its brick end chimneys and full-height brick gable walls on the east and west elevations; center-hall, single-pile plan; elliptical fanlight and sidelights around the main entry on the south façade; and rear ell.

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GENERAL BOUNDARIES OF THE SITE:

The boundaries of the designated property are limited to the following address and parcel number: 30 Union Street, Charlestown, parcel number 0203847000.

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PROPERTY: The Apollos Field House, 30 Union Street, Charlestown, MA

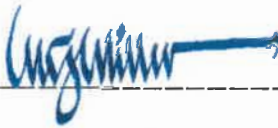
STANDARDS AND CRITERIA TO BE APPLIED:

As described in the section entitled: "8.0 Standards and Criteria," included in the study report for the subject property.

APPROVED BY THE BOSTON LANDMARKS COMMISSION:

Date approved: 04/23/2024

Attest:



(Interim Secretary to the Commission)

PRESENTED TO THE MAYOR:

MAY 16 2024

(Date)

APPROVED BY THE MAYOR:

Date approved:

MAY 20 2024

Signature:



(Mayor)

PRESENTED TO THE CITY COUNCIL:

JUN 5 2024

(Date)

APPROVED BY CITY COUNCIL:

Date approved:

Signature:

(City Clerk)