

**APPLICATION FOR LANDMARK OR HISTORIC DISTRICT
QUINCY PRESERVATION COMMISSION
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Original name (if known) and address of Landmark or boundaries of proposed Historic District

John Wood House

425 South 12th Street, Quincy, IL 62301

Name and address of property owner(s), if different from applicant

Historical Society of Quincy and Adams County

Description and physical appearance of proposed Landmark or Historic District:

The John Wood House is a large rectangular frame house painted white. It displays a triangular pediment and Doric columns typical of the temple form. The column and beam construction is seen in the door surrounds and the window lintels. The main entrance is graced by a double portico, which reflects the southern influence.

Describe the architectural features of the building(s). Include photograph of facade of building(s) or photographs of groups of structures for Historic District: (Include map for Historic District.)

1. Four front Doric columns
2. Lower wrap-a-round porch, railings, bannisters and wooden floor and steps.
3. Second floor front porch, railings and metal floor.
4. All wooden porch ceilings.
5. Elliptical front and rear windows.
6. Front door and decorative transom window.
7. Four brick chimneys.
8. All exterior windows and wooden shutters.
9. All wooden exterior siding.
10. South alcove with wooden stairs to second floor, railings and bannister.
11. South kitchen porch, wooden floor and steps, railings and bannisters.
12. Stone cellar steps and sidewalls.
13. Northside wooden steps and bannisters into dining room.
14. Stone foundation walls.
15. Brick sidewalks.

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Provide a statement of the architectural and historical significance of the proposed Landmark or District. Note the classification of the building if it is included in any historic district or survey, or listed on the National Register of Historic Places. If possible, provide statements of architectural significance by persons with expertise in the subject, their qualifications, and not presently a member of Quincy Preservation Commission:

The John Wood House was built in 1835 and occupied by 1838 and was one of the first Greek Revival houses to be built in this area. Historians and architects today proclaim it to be one of the finest examples of Greek Revival architecture in the entire midwest. It was constructed by masterbuilder John Cleveland. Located within the National Register East End Historic District, the house was built west of Twelfth Street (Wood Street) and facing from the north side onto State Street (Burton Road) by Wood, a future Illinois governor. The building was moved to its present location in 1864 and was listed individually on the National Register of Historic Places in 1970.

Provide legal description of Landmark as described on deed:

See attached legal description.

Why do you think this property merits designation? Check appropriate items:

Architecture **Person(s)** **Event(s)** **Prominent Landmark**
 Activities **Unusual Use** **Other** Originally a working farm house,
it was used by John Wood while Illinois Governor in 1860.

Is owner aware of this application? **Yes** **No**

Is owner willing to consent to designation of property? **Yes** **No**
 Don't Know


Signature

4-1-92
Date filed at Preservation Office

25 MARCH 1992
Date

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY:

Quincy Preservation Commission preliminary review

Approved

Date 4-7-92

Quincy Preservation Commission decision on designating Ordinance

Disapproved

Date 6-11-92

Approved

Date _____

Disapproved

OTHER Adopted City Council

8-10-92

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