

**APPLICATION FOR LOCAL LANDMARK
QUINCY PRESERVATION COMMISSION**
706 Maine Street, City Hall Annex, Third Floor
Quincy, Illinois 62301 Telephone (217) 228-4514

Original name (if known) and address of proposed Landmark:

Jesse E. Weems House
1641 Hampshire St.

Name, Address, and Telephone Number of Property Owner:

Emery L. and Bettie F. Kaufmann
1641 Hampshire St.
217.223.2502

Style: Queen Anne

Date of Construction: Before 1886

Architect or Builder: Harvey Chatten

**Provide a statement of the historical and architectural significance of the proposed Landmark.
Note if building is included in any historic district or survey, or listed on the National Register of
Historic Places:**

Jesse E. Weems, the original owner of the home, was born and educated in Virginia before moving to Quincy in 1853. He started the "Pure Ice & Cold Storage Company" in 1894. This company made ice and supplied it to residences and businesses in Quincy and along the Mississippi River until the 1950s. The ice business in Quincy was very large at one time, employing a considerable number of men. Fed by clear water springs, Quincy Bay was the primary location of the industry. Besides ice and cold storage, the "Pure Ice & Cold Storage Company" dealt in coal and wood. According to *Past and Present of the City of Quincy and Adams County*, this company was one of the leading commercial enterprises of the city in 1905.

The Jesse E. Weems house is a contributing building in the East End Historic District. This district includes numerous fine homes designed by prominent local architects. The Weems house was designed by Quincy native Harvey Chatten. He studied under Robert Bunce, a versatile designer who played an important role in Quincy's early architecture. Chatten designed a large number of Queen Anne buildings in Quincy.

Queen Anne houses were popular in Quincy from 1880 to 1900. The style typically displays multi-textured walls, asymmetrical façades, steeply pitched roofs, and complex shapes and details. The Weems House has a hipped roof with lower cross gables and features sunburst-decorated pediments around the top window of the front gable and entry.

A large multi-pane window covers most of the first floor front façade where a porch and bay window originally stood. A sympathetic two-story addition to the north end of the house was completed in 1997. The addition is sided with clapboard. Because the large front window and addition to the rear are much later than the original house, these alterations are not considered to be significant features.

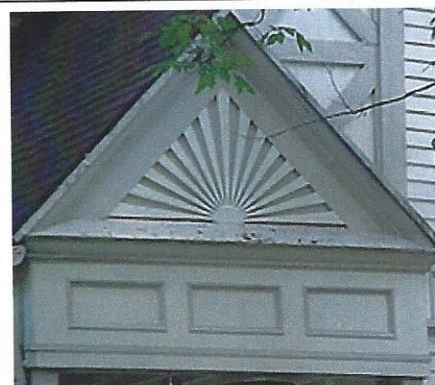
List the significant exterior architectural features of the building. Include photographs of building facade for proposed Landmark:

1. Sunburst pediments under ^{the} front gable, on front porch, and above the rectangular bay window roof
2. Cut stone foundation
3. Original wood siding
4. Two-story rectangular bay window on

5. Horizontal band with rectangular molding on front porch and front facade
6. ^{Decorative} Half-timbering above porch entry and on the west gable



South facade, horizontal band with rectangular molding on front porch and front facade



Sunburst pediment over front porch



Southeast (front) side

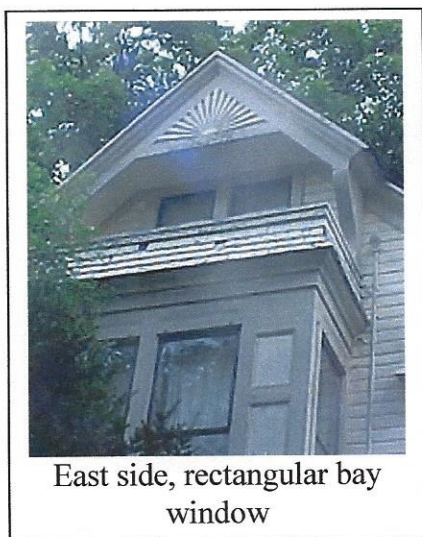


Porch on southwest side

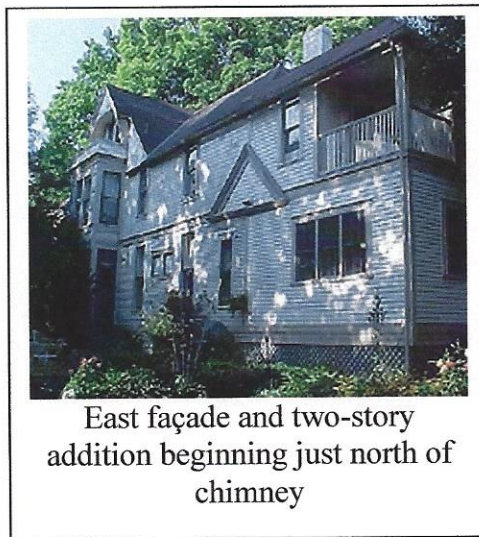


Northwest corner, stone foundation, decorative half timbering

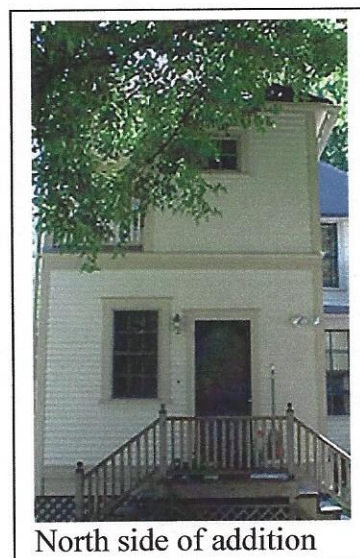
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East side, rectangular bay window



East façade and two-story addition beginning just north of chimney



North side of addition

Why do you think this property merits designation? Check appropriate item(s):

☒ Architecture ☐ Persons ☐ Event(s) ☐ Prominent Landmark

☐ Historical ☐ Unusual Use ☐ Other

Is owner aware of this application? ☒ Yes ☐ No

Does owner consent to this designation? ☒ Yes ☐ No ☐ Don't know

Legal Description:

Nevins Survey W110' of S½ Lot 15

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Signature of Applicant

Date

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Preservation Commission Preliminary Review

Approved ☒ **Disapproved** ☐ **Date** 10/1/02

Meeting with Property Owner

Date 10/30/02 (phone call)

Public Hearing

Date 11/5/02

**Preservation Commission Decision
on Recommendation to Designate**

Approved ☐ **Disapproved** ☐ **Date** _____

**City Council Decision
on Designation by Ordinance**

Approved ☐ **Disapproved** ☐ **Date** _____