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**NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY -- NOMINATION FORM**

SEE INSTRUCTIONS IN HOW TO COMPLETE NATIONAL REGISTER FORMS
TYPE ALL ENTRIES -- COMPLETE APPLICABLE SECTIONS

1 NAME

HISTORIC
* *

Frazee, Stephen, House

AND/OR COMMON

Hynton, John, House

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER 7733 Canal Road

CITY, TOWN

Valley View

— NOT FOR PUBLICATION

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

— VICINITY OF

23 - Ronald Mottl

STATE

Ohio

CODE

039

COUNTY

Cuyahoga

CODE

035

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

- DISTRICT
- BUILDING(S)
- STRUCTURE
- SITE
- OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

- PUBLIC
- PRIVATE
- BOTH
- PUBLIC ACQUISITION**
- IN PROCESS
- BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

- OCCUPIED
- UNOCCUPIED
- WORK IN PROGRESS
- ACCESSIBLE**
- YES: RESTRICTED
- YES: UNRESTRICTED
- NO

PRESENT USE

- AGRICULTURE
- COMMERICAL
- EDUCATIONAL
- ENTERTAINMENT
- GOVERNMENT
- INDUSTRIAL
- MILITARY
- MUSEUM
- PARK
- PRIVATE RESIDENCE
- RELIGIOUS
- SCIENTIFIC
- TRANSPORTATION
- OTHER vacant

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

Agnes Foote

STREET & NUMBER

6523 Dora Boulevard

CITY, TOWN

Independence

— VICINITY OF

STATE

Ohio

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Cuyahoga County Building

STREET & NUMBER

1219 Ontario

CITY, TOWN

Cleveland

STATE

Ohio

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

— FEDERAL — STATE — COUNTY — LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED DATE _____
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

This is a plain two-story brick house in the late Federal vernacular style. At each end of the house there is a stepped gable parapet with two chimneys. The chimney tops are corbeled in a vernacular form which can be traced back to Elizabethan practice. The facade has the typical five-bay division of the period, with a center entrance. The treatment of the door and window heads consists of vertical jointed bricks, instead of stone lintels or keystones. Otherwise the door and windows have no stylistic treatment. The sills are of sandstone. The double-hung sash have nine panes over six. There are two windows in the south end of the building, and one opening on the north end which has been bricked in.

At the south end there is a small one-story ell-shaped wing to the east. There is not general agreement as to whether it is older or younger than the main block. It has a door and two windows on the east side. There are two small square windows in the half-story gable of the east end. On the north side of the ell there is a wooden frame lean-to, with a modern brick chimney.

The house faces Canal Road, which runs parallel to the Ohio-Erie Canal, a portion of which is a National Historic Landmark at this point. The land is in an area which is marginal to the proposed boundaries of the Cuyahoga Valley National Recreation Area and is being studied for possible acquisition.

8. SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES

1826

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

This is one of the two earliest brick houses in the lower Cuyahoga Valley, built the same year as the construction of the Akron-Cleveland section of the Ohio-Erie Canal. It is a rare example of late Federal vernacular brick construction in its location.

Stephen Frazee settled on the land where the present house stands in 1812, and according to a county history was for many years "among the prominent pioneers." The tax records indicate that the house was built in 1826. That was the summer that construction work was actively in progress on the canal, which runs practically at the doorstep of the house, prior to its opening July 4, 1827. At the time of the next census (1830), Frazee was fifty years old, and he and his wife had seven children. He is also included in a list of Independence Township residents on the east side of the river in 1843. In 1850 he was living in the house with a son-in-law. The house was acquired by John Hynton, the name by which it is locally known, in 1861. Frazee died in 1868.

A lengthy conjectural interpretation (1961) has tried to link the builder of the first Western Reserve College building in Hudson with this house and the Hale House of the same date, ten miles south on the west side of the river. This is based solely on the fact that they are all brick Federal vernacular buildings, but is completely undocumented.

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

- Crisfield Johnson, History of Cuyahoga County (Cleveland, 1879), 461.
- John Horton, The Jonathan Hale Farm (Cleveland, 1961), 109-110.
- Cuyahoga County Atlases (1858; 1874).
- Cuyahoga County Tax Duplicate (1819-1869).
- United States Census (1820-1880).
- Probate Court Records (Stephen Frazee Will, probated Dec. 24, 1868).

10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY less than one
 UTM REFERENCES

A	1 7	4 5 0 4 1 0	4 5 7 7 8 9 0	B			
	ZONE	EASTING	NORTHING		ZONE	EASTING	NORTHING
C				D			

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE Eric Johannesen, Preservationist

ORGANIZATION Western Reserve Historical Society

DATE July 1975

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CITY OR TOWN Cleveland

STATE Ohio

12 STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER CERTIFICATION

THE EVALUATED SIGNIFICANCE OF THIS PROPERTY WITHIN THE STATE IS:

NATIONAL STATE LOCAL

As the designated State Historic Preservation Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the National Park Service.

STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER SIGNATURE



TITLE SHPO

DATE 12-19-75

FOR NPS USE ONLY

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS PROPERTY IS INCLUDED IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER

Acting 

DATE 5/4/76

DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF ARCHEOLOGY AND HISTORIC PRESERVATION

ATTEST: 

DATE 5.3.76

KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER