**HISTORIC PRESERVATION ASSISTANCE PROJECT**
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<td>HISTORIC NAME</td>
<td>Josiah Bartlett House</td>
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<td>LOCATION</td>
<td>West side of W. Main St., .05 miles S. of inter. of Main &amp; Church</td>
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<td>OWNER</td>
<td>Gertrude E.B. Wilson</td>
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<td>ADDRESS</td>
<td>156 Main St., Kingston, NH</td>
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<td>MAP &amp; PARCEL #</td>
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**UTM:** Z 19/E 332300/N 4755525

**USGS QUAD:** Haverhill Quad 15' Series

**FUNCTIONAL TYPE:** Farmhouse

**PRESENT USE:** Residential

**ARCHITECT/.builder:** Josiah Bartlett

**CONDITION:** Exc., Good, Fair, Poor, Ruins

**INTEGRITY:** Original Site, Moved

**Major alterations & date:** Remodeled c. 1850

**LEVEL/SIGNIFICANCE:** Natl, State, Local

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**GENERAL DESCRIPTION:** Structural System

1. FOUNDATION: Stone x Brick, Concrete, Concrete Block
2. WALL STRUCTURE: Wood Frame, Post & Beam, Ballon Frame, Other
   - Load Bearing Masonry, Stone, Brick, Concrete Block, Other
   - Metal, Iron, Steel, Other
3. WALL COVERING: Clapboard, Wood Shingle, Board & Batten, Shiplap, Aluminum
   - Novelty, Stucco, Stone, Brick, Sheet Metal, Asphalt Shingles, Vinyl
   - Asphalt Sheeting, Composite Board, Other
4. ROOF SHEATHING: Wood Shingle, Asphalt Shingle, Standing Seam, Tim, Slate
   - Pressed Metal, Sheet Metal, Rolled Asphalt, Other
5. ENGINEERING STRUCTURE:
6. OTHER:
   - # of Stories, # of Bays, Approx. Dimensions 40' x 35'
   - Roof Style: Gable, Hip, Gambrel, Flat, Shed, Mansard, Jerkinhead
   - Monitor, Sawtooth, Other
   - Appendages: Porches, Towers, Dormers, Bay Windows, Eells, Chimneys
   - Wings, Cupolas, Sheds, Garage, Other, Barn
   - Entry Location: Center, Sidehall, Other

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**MAP** (Indicate North in circle):

**PHOTO**

Description of View: Front-east, Side-south

**Photographer:** Herb Bubert

Negative with: S.R.R.C.

Negative File Number: k-80-70/29-29A
ADDITIONAL ARCHITECTURAL AND STRUCTURAL DESCRIPTION:

The Wilson house is a 2½-story, 5x2 bay, twin chimney Federal style house which has been remodeled during the Greek Revival period (c. 1858), including the addition of a 1-story, shed-roofed porch and Greek Revival door, window, and eaves treatment. The center entry has a 4-panelled (two of which are arched) door framed by full-height sidelights. Flanking the door are pilasters rising to a full entablature. All of the windows have six-over-six sash framed by shutters and those on the first story and in the gables are topped by projecting caps. The medium-pitch roof has twin, corbel-capped chimneys and the eaves treatment consists of a boxed cornice, with a wide frieze and gable-end returns. The main block is framed by arch-panelled pilasters. The house rests on a granite slab foundation.

On the south elevation is a 1-story, shed-roofed, open porch supported by square, arch-panelled columns similar to those on the pilasters framing the main block.

The 2-story, gable-roofed ell has clapboard siding and six-over-three and nine-over-six windows. The entrance has an 8-panelled door flanked by half-length sidelights. The roof is topped by a tall chimney with a vault and the ell rests on a granite slab foundation.

RELATED STRUCTURES AND CONTEXT: There is an attached 2-story, gable-roofed barn projecting to the southwest. It has clapboard siding, a multi-panel and multi-light door, and rests on a granite slab foundation. Projecting from the south elevation of the barn is a 1-story, gable-roofed garage/shed.

BOUNDARY AND ACREAGE DESCRIPTION: 21.1 Acres bounded to the N-Isaacs, Sullivan, S-Gossman Stratton, Dupel, Winslow, Aiken, E. Main St., Sanborn, Moore W., by Lamprey Trahar.

REFERENCES: Kingston Historic Advisory Committee; interviews w/members, Spring 1980
Wilson, Rodney M., A Brief Sketch of the History of the First Congregational Church, Kingston, NH (privately printed), 1975

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE (Evaluation & Historical Associations):

The only National Historic landmark in the region, easily the most significant structure in Kingston. The preservation of the Josiah Bartlett House must be of concern to the town of Kingston and the region.

Historic Associations: Dr. Josiah Bartlett, statesman, built house on site of cape he bought in 1751 that was burned in Feb. 1874. Bartlett was also a physician, selectman, justice of the peace, colonel in militia, justice and chief justice of Superior Court, first president of N.H. medical society, first constitutional governor of New Hampshire. The house is still lived in by his direct descendants. The house was nominated to the National Register in 1971.

MAP DATA: 1856: Bartlett 1892: Bartlett

SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT: Open Land Woodland Scattered Bldgs Moderately Built Up X Densely Built Up Residential Commercial Industrial Agricultural Roadside Strip Development Other

Recorded By: Herb Bubert Scott Novak Date: 12-28-79