

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES  
INVENTORY - NOMINATION FORM

(Type all entries - complete applicable sections)

STATE: North Carolina	
COUNTY: Guilford	
FOR NPS USE ONLY	
ENTRY NUMBER	DATE

1. NAME

COMMON:  
The John Haley House

AND/OR HISTORIC:

2. LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER:  
1805 East Lexington Avenue, P. O. Box 1734

CITY OR TOWN:  
High Point (Sixth Congressional District)

STATE North Carolina	CODE 37	COUNTY: Guilford	CODE 081
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3. CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY (Check One)	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC
<input type="checkbox"/> District <input type="checkbox"/> Site <input type="checkbox"/> Object <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Building <input type="checkbox"/> Structure	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Public <input type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> Both	<input type="checkbox"/> Occupied <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress	Yes: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Restricted <input type="checkbox"/> Unrestricted <input type="checkbox"/> No
PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)			
<input type="checkbox"/> Agricultural <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial <input type="checkbox"/> Educational <input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> Government <input type="checkbox"/> Industrial <input type="checkbox"/> Military <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Museum	<input type="checkbox"/> Park <input type="checkbox"/> Private Residence <input type="checkbox"/> Religious <input type="checkbox"/> Scientific	<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) _____ _____

4. OWNER OF PROPERTY

OWNER'S NAME:  
City of High Point

STREET AND NUMBER:  
200 East Commerce Street

CITY OR TOWN: High Point	STATE: North Carolina	CODE 37
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5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.:  
Guilford County Courthouse

STREET AND NUMBER:  
P. O. Box 3421

CITY OR TOWN: Greensboro	STATE: North Carolina	CODE 37
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6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE OF SURVEY:

DATE OF SURVEY:  Federal  State  County  Local

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:

STREET AND NUMBER:

CITY OR TOWN:	STATE:	CODE:

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7. DESCRIPTION

CONDITION	(Check One)					
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> Good	<input type="checkbox"/> Fair	<input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> Ruins	<input type="checkbox"/> Unexposed
	(Check One)			(Check One)		
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Altered	<input type="checkbox"/> Unaltered	<input type="checkbox"/> Moved	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Original Site		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The John Haley House is a small one-story dwelling with an unfinished attic. It is built of brick laid in Flemish bond with glazed headers and rests on a stone foundation. The three-bay front (south) and rear facades are identical; each has a central entrance containing a six-panel door flanked by windows containing nine-over-nine sash. All openings are surmounted by segmental arches formed by single rows of rowlocks. The east and west gables feature interior chimneys and two small segmental-arched windows with four-over-two sash. The west gable contains a side entrance in the right bay and a circular stone in the apex of the gable framed by rowlocks. Inscribed on the stone within an incised cable band are the date "1786" and the letters "P" and "I H" which are the initials of Phebe and John Haley (the initial "J" was written as "I" in the eighteenth century).

The interior presents the so-called Quaker plan with a large parlor to the east and two smaller rooms to the west. The main entrance opens into the parlor, which has walls plastered above and below a molded chair rail which breaks under the windows. The ceiling features exposed beaded beams. The large arched fireplace opening on the east wall contains a replacement brick fireback laid in a herringbone pattern. A heavy molded shelf is located high above the opening. To the left of the fireplace is a vertically sheathed partition which houses a small closet and an enclosed stair leading to the attic. The two west rooms are separated by a vertically sheathed partition wall and contain corner fireplaces without shelves.

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**SIGNIFICANCE**

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

- Pre-Columbian |  16th Century |  18th Century |  20th Century  
 15th Century |  17th Century |  19th Century

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known) 1786

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Aboriginal              | <input type="checkbox"/> Education    | <input type="checkbox"/> Political           | <input type="checkbox"/> Urban Planning  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Prehistoric             | <input type="checkbox"/> Engineering  | <input type="checkbox"/> Religion/Philosophy | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Historic                | <input type="checkbox"/> Industry     |  | _____                                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture             | <input type="checkbox"/> Invention    | <input type="checkbox"/> Science             | _____                                    |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Landscape    | <input type="checkbox"/> Sculpture           | _____                                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Art                     | <input type="checkbox"/> Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Social/Humanitarian | _____                                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Commerce                | <input type="checkbox"/> Literature   | <input type="checkbox"/> Theater             | _____                                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Communications          | <input type="checkbox"/> Military     | <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation      | _____                                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Conservation            | <input type="checkbox"/> Music        |  | _____                                    |

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

John Haley (Healy), a Quaker, built his house in 1786 on property near Patrick's Branch (later Haley's Creek), which he had received as a state grant in 1779. In 1789 a road from the Rowan County line to Martinville (later called Guilford Courthouse) was proposed, and Captain John Haley was appointed as overseer of the new road "from the County line to the Old Murvian [Moravian] Road." This road, then called the New Salisbury Road, now Lexington Avenue of High Point, ran by John Haley's house, making the house a local landmark in the sparsely settled area. Haley, whose title of captain is thought to have been derived from his service in the Revolution, was a blacksmith who played an active role in local affairs. From 1790 until 1811 Haley served as bondsman, sheriff, road commissioner, clerk of court, and as a member of many juries. His will, probated February 16, 1813, left all his property to his wife, Phebe, and upon her death the property went to Jesse Haley.

Jesse sold the house and 270 acres to James Wheeler in 1818. Although the position of the house on the New Salisbury Road and Haley's occupation as blacksmith would have made this house a logical place for travelers to stop, there is no record that this was the case until innkeeper Jonathan Welch acquired the house about 1838 and "kept ordinary" there. The house remained in the Welch family until 1943, after which it passed through various hands before being purchased by the city of High Point on November 4, 1966. Restoration of the house has been carried out by the High Point Historical Commission.

The John Haley House, believed to be the oldest dwelling in High Point, is notable as a fine example of Quaker architecture. As such it is essential to the interpretation of the Moravian and Quaker influence on the architecture of piedmont North Carolina.

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9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Bivins, John F., Jr., "Restoration of the John Haley House." An unpublished report, State Department of Archives and History, Raleigh, North Carolina.

Guilford County Records, Guilford County Courthouse, Greensboro, North Carolina, Office of the Register of Deeds. (Subgroups: Deeds, Wills).

Guilford County Records, State Department of Archives and History, Raleigh, North Carolina. (Subgroups: Deeds, Wills).

10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY			OR	LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING THE CENTER POINT OF A PROPERTY OF LESS THAN TEN ACRES		
CORNER	LATITUDE	LONGITUDE		LATITUDE	LONGITUDE	
	Degrees Minutes Seconds	Degrees Minutes Seconds		Degrees Minutes Seconds	Degrees Minutes Seconds	
NW	° ' "	° ' "		35° 58' 49"	79° 59' 42"	
NE	° ' "	° ' "				
SE	° ' "	° ' "				
SW	° ' "	° ' "				

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY: 4.2 Acres

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

STATE:	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
STATE:	CODE	COUNTY:	CODE
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11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE:  
Survey and Planning Unit, John B. Wells, III, Supervisor

ORGANIZATION: Department of Archives and History      DATE: May 17, 1971

STREET AND NUMBER:  
109 East Jones Street

CITY OR TOWN: Raleigh      STATE: North Carolina      CODE: 37

12. STATE LIAISON OFFICER CERTIFICATION

NATIONAL REGISTER VERIFICATION

As the designated State Liaison 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. The recommended level of significance of this nomination is:

National  State  Local

Name H. G. Jones

Title Director, State Department of Archives and History

Date May 17, 1971

I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register.

Chief, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation

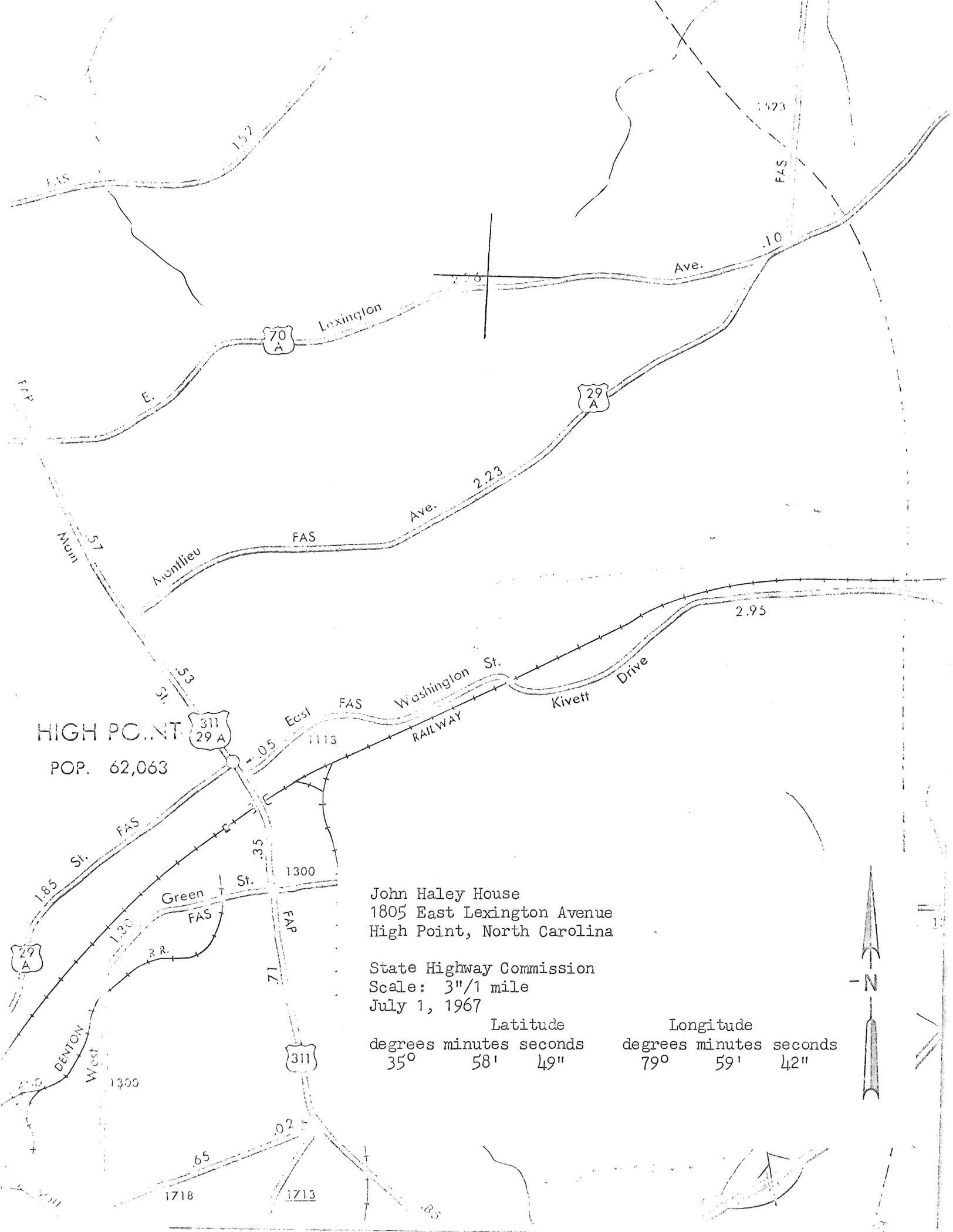
Date \_\_\_\_\_

ATTEST:

Keeper of The National Register

Date \_\_\_\_\_

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HIGH POINT  
POP. 62,063

John Haley House  
1805 East Lexington Avenue  
High Point, North Carolina

State Highway Commission  
Scale: 3"/1 mile  
July 1, 1967

	Latitude	Longitude
	degrees minutes seconds	degrees minutes seconds
	35° 58' 49"	79° 59' 42"

