

**CITY OF HUDSON, NEW YORK
HISTORIC PRESERVATION
COMMISSION**

OCTOBER 15, 2004

**RE: 68 SOUTH SECOND STREET
109.43-3-78**

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HUDSON, NEW YORK**

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**WHEREAS, AS SET FORTH IN SECTION 3-A OF LOCAL
LAW # 3 OF 2003, THE COMMISSION MAY
DESIGNATE A PROPERTY AS AN INDIVIDUAL
LANDMARK IF IT:**

- (i) POSSESSES SPECIAL CHARACTER OR HISTORIC
OR AESTHETIC INTEREST OR VALUE AS PART OF
THE CULTURAL, POLITICAL, ECONOMIC, OR SOCIAL
HISTORY OF THE LOCALITY, REGION, STATE OR
NATION; OR**
- (ii) IS IDENTIFIED WITH HISTORIC PERSONAGES; OR**
- (iii) IS THE WORK OF A BUILDER, ARCHITECT, OR
DESIGNER WHOSE WORK HAS SIGNIFICANTLY
INFLUENCED AN AGE.**

**WHEREAS, AN APPLICATION WAS PRESENTED BY PAT FENOFF
ON BEHALF OF THE HISTORIC PRESERVATION
COMMISSION; AND**

**WHEREAS, THE COMMISSION HAS DETERMINED THAT THE
DESIGNATION OF THE PROPERTY IS A TYPE II ACTION,
PURSUANT TO 6 NYCRR 617.5(B)(32); AND**

**WHEREAS, THE COMPLETED APPLICATION WHICH DOCUMENTED
THAT THE PROPOSED PROPERTY MEETS TWO OF
THE CRITERIA SET FORTH IN SECTION 3-A (HIII)
WAS REVIEWED AND ACCEPTED BY A UNANIMOUS
VOTE ON SEPTEMBER 24, 2004; AND**

**WHEREAS, DUE NOTICE OF THE COMMISSION'S CONSIDERATION
OF INDIVIDUAL DESIGNATION WAS PROVIDED TO**

**THE OWNER OF THE PROPERTY, MARY KEITH, BY
CERTIFIED MAIL; AND**

**WHEREAS, A PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER THE SAID
APPLICATION WAS HELD ON OCTOBER 15, 2004;
AND**

**WHEREAS, BASED ON ITS REVIEW OF THE APPLICATION AND
ITS SUPPORT MATERIALS AND THE COMMENTS
MADE BY THE PUBLIC, THE COMMISSION HAS MADE
THE FOLLOWING FINDINGS OF FACTS:**

- . THE STRUCTURE IS REPUTED TO HAVE BEEN BUILT
FOR ROBERT TAYLOR PRIOR TO 1800. IT IS MUCH
MORE CLOSELY RELATED TO THE DUTCH VERNACULAR
OF THE ORIGINAL SETTLERS OF THIS AREA THAT THE
LATER NEW ENGLAND VERNACULAR USED BY THE
PROPRIETORS.**
- . THE HOUSE APPEARS ON MAPS SHOWING OF HUDSON
IN 1811 AND 1873**
- . THE STRUCTURE IS OF LARGE BRICKS LAID IN COMMON
BOND. THE ROOF IS AN ENGLISH-TYPE GAMBREL WITH
WIDE TOP AND LOW-PITCHED UPPER SECTION WITH
THREE "DUTCH" OR FLAT ROOFED DORMERS ON THE
EAST AND TWO ON THE WEST AND FOUR CHIMNEYS
SYMMETRICALLY PLACED. THE FAÇADE IS FIVE BAYS
WITH A CENTRAL DOOR. IT IS THE ONLY SUCH
STRUCTURE IN THE CITY, WHILE SIMILAR STRUCTURES
FROM THE MID 18 CENTURY CAN BE FOUND IN THE
COUNTY.**
- . ROBERT TAYLOR, WHILE NOT HIMSELF A PROPRIETOR,
WAS ASSOCIATED WITH THESE MEN AND WAS AN EARLY
SETTLER IN HUDSON. TANNING WAS AN IMPORTANT
PART OF THE EARLY ECONOMY OF HUDSON.
HIS TANNERY WAS LOCATED ON SOUTH BAY ON THE
CORNER OF SOUTH SECOND STREET AND TANNERS
LANE. HE WAS APPOINTED ASSISTANT ALDERMAN
TO THE COMMON COUNCIL IN 1799, WAS APPOINTED**

A FIREMAN IN ENGINE COMPANY #1, AND SERVED AS A SUPERVISOR FROM 1807-08. HE WAS ALSO A TRUSTEE OF THE LANCASTER SOCIETY. WHEN HE DIED IN 1827, THE HOUSE PASSED TO HIS WIFE NANCY WHO SOLD IT TO HER STEP SON PETER TAYLOR AND REMAINED IN THE FAMILY UNTIL 1890.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, THE COMMISSION DETERMINED THAT THE APPLICATION PROVIDED CONCLUSIVE EVIDENCE THAT 68 SOUTH SECOND STREET MEETS THE CRITERIA FOR INDIVIDUAL DESIGNATION; AND

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, THAT 68 SOUTH SECOND STREET, KNOWN AS THE ROBERT TAYLOR HOUSE, IS HEREBY DULY DESIGNATED PURSUANT TO SECTION 3-A OF LOCAL LAW #3 OF 2003 BECAUSE IT:

- (i) POSSESSES SPECIAL CHARACTER OR HISTORIC OR AESTHETIC INTEREST OR VALUE AS PART OF THE CULTURAL, POLITICAL, ECONOMIC, OR SOCIAL HISTORY OF THE LOCALITY, REGION, STATE OR NATION; AND**
- (ii) IS IDENTIFIED WITH HISTORIC PERSONAGES;**

RECORD OF VOTE 6-0 OCTOBER 15, 2004

PAT FENOFF	YES
MARY HALLENBECK	YES
ASHTON HAWKINS	YES
LEW KREMER	YES
SARAH STERLING	YES
JAMISON TEALE	YES



**JAMISON TEALE, CHAIR
HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION**