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Name: 5711 West Henrietta Road

Location: 5711 West Henrietta Rd NY

Resource Status:

1. **Determination:** Eligible
2. **Contributing:** False

Criteria for Inclusion in the National Register:

- A. Associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns in our history.
- B. Associated with the lives of persons significant in our past.
- C. Embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period or method of construction; or represents the work of a master; or posses high artistic values; or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components may lack individual distinction.
- D. Have yielded, or may be likely to yield information important in prehistory or history.

Summary Statement:



SUMMARY STATEMENT

The residence at 5711 West Henrietta Road (County Route 15) is located on the west side of West Henrietta Road, south of Erie Station Road in the Town of Henrietta, Monroe County. The property consists of the house and a non-contributing detached garage. The residence appears to be eligible for the State and National Registers under Criterion A for its connection to early settlement history and under Criterion C as an example of Greek Revival architecture.

In the early 1800s brothers Alexander and Joseph Williams established a large and successful carriage and wagon making shop on West Henrietta Road employing 50 people in a blacksmith shop and steam saw mill. In 1835 Alexander Williams withdrew from the larger partnership with his brother to establish a blacksmith and wagon making shop next to his residence at 5711 West Henrietta Road in the hamlet of West Henrietta. The four corners of West Henrietta was one of the early settlement areas of Henrietta, being along a major north/south road from farms to downtown Rochester. Next to Alexander Williams house and blacksmith shop is an inn for those traveling north/south or east/west.[1]

DESCRIPTION

The house was built in 1850 and is a two-story, five-bay, hip-roofed, clapboard sided building. Character defining features include pilasters, transom over the front door, six-over-six double-hung wood windows, and a center interior chimney. One-story shed-roofed wings on both the east and west sides of the building also have cornice returns and pilasters. A square entry portico with a hipped-roof, wide frieze and round columns. Projecting from the south of the building is a one and one-half story frame wing. A one-story room on the south has a hipped roof, wide frieze and pilaster that mimic the main block of the building.

[1] Kalsbeck, Eleanor C. "Henrietta Heritage." The Arts Council of Rush, Henrietta and West Brighton, Inc., 1977.