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10. GEOGRAPHIC DATA

UTM References

Point	Zone	Easting	Northing
Е	19	349500	4646200
F	19	349340	4646200
G	19	349340	4646460
H	19	349500	4646450

Verbal Boundary Description

The boundaries of the Plympton Village Historic District are defined as shown by the bold lines marked on the attached "District Sketch Map," drawn on the Town of Plympton Assessor's Map C3. Map and parcel numbers are listed on the Plympton Village District Data Sheet. The boundary includes the entire parcel of each nominated property in the district and follows rear lot lines.

Boundary Justification

The Plympton Village Historic District includes the residential, commercial, civic and commemorative properties and monuments lining the east and west sides of the Plympton Green along Main Street in the Town of Plympton. This area, along with one other in North Plympton, was the primary English settlement in the town in the late 17th and early 18th century, and was established as a typical Colonial linear village centered around a common or green. The Plympton Green and adjacent Hillcrest Cemetery date to the earliest days of this settlement. The stores, schools, homes, church, and municipal buildings surrounding the Green were added mostly in the mid to late 1800s, making Plympton a self-contained 19th century village. The district retains much of this 19th century character to this day.

The long, linear Plympton Green forms a spine through the district, and all the properties bordering the green are included in the district. Intersections of roadways further define the district by marking its the northern and southern edges -- the intersection of Main Street,

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Mayflower and Parsonage Roads stands at the southern end, and the intersection of Main Street and Palmer Road lies at northern end. These intersections provide visible and tangible points of entry to and exit from the district. Visitors know when they are entering because they (1) see the green, and (2) pass through a confluence of roadways.

Rear lot lines of each of the properties define the district's eastern and western edges. Because Plympton was an agricultural community, several of the properties, particularly along the east side of Main Street, contain many acres of open space, located behind the houses. The district includes the entire parcels, despite their size, as they reflect the history of farming in the area.

The district's one non-contributing building, the Plympton Fire House, was constructed in 1975. Because it shares a parcel with the Plympton Town House (formerly the Central School) and serves an important civic function within the community, it has been included as part of the district.

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