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Inventory No: SAL.3884

Historic Name: Bay State Creamery

Common Name: Hood, H. P. and Sons Ice Cream Company

Address: 9 South Mason St

City/Town: Salem

Village/Neighborhood: North Salem

Local No: 26-73 Year Constructed: 1917

Architect(s):

Architectural Style(s): No style

Use(s): Food Processing and Packaging; Other Industrial

Significance: Architecture; Industry

Area(s):

Designation(s):

Roof: Tar, Built-up

Building Materials(s): Wall: Cast Concrete; Concrete Cinderblock; Concrete

Unspecified

Foundation: Poured Concrete



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Organization

Salem Planning Department

Date (month/year) June 1998

Town Salem

Place (neighborhood or village) North Salem

Address 9 South Mason Street

Historic Name Bay State Creamery

Uses: Present Industrial

Original Industrial

Date of Construction 1917

Source Sanborn Map

Style/Form ---

Architect/Builder unknown

Exterior Material:

Foundation Concrete

Wall/Trim Concrete

Roof

Tar

Outbuildings/Secondary Structures

none

Major Alterations (with dates) none

Condition fair

Moved no

yes

Date

Acreage

39049 SF

Setting mixed use side street, north of North River

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BUILDING FORM (9 South Mason Street)

ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION

Describe architectural features. Evaluate the characteristics of the building in terms of other buildings within the community.

Located to the north of Commercial Street and the North River, 9 South Mason Street is an early 20th century, two-story, painted concrete building which is set above a raised basement. The flat-roofed building displays a three-bay facade which faces east. The building is constructed of rusticated concrete block with a horizontal beltcourse between the first and second stories. Overlaid over the beltcourse are a series of pilaster strips which begin just above the second floor windows and descend to the ground. The center entrance is set above a concrete stoop. The molded concrete surround is capped by a central keystone. The original entrance has been blocked down and now contains a glass and metal door. The facade windows contain tripartite sets of 4/4 windows with sets of two and three windows on the side elevations with the openings set within a grid similar to that on the facade. Some of the windows have been blocked down with concrete block. A single-story loading dock is located at the rear of the building.

HISTORICAL NARRATIVE

Describe the history of the building. Explain its associations with local (or state) history. Include uses of the building and the role(s) the owners/occupants played within the community.

According to the 1957 Sanborn Map of Salem, this fireproof concrete building was constructed in 1917. The first directory listing for the building is in the 1917 directory which lists the Bay State Creamery at 11 S. Mason Street as the occupant. The creamery was taken over by H.P. Hood and Sons a few years later, and the company maintained their ice cream making operations in the building from 1921 until 1955. Bay State Adhesive, owned by Jacob Bernstein, moved into the building prior to 1958 (it is then listed as 12 South Mason Street) and continues to occupy the property today.

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