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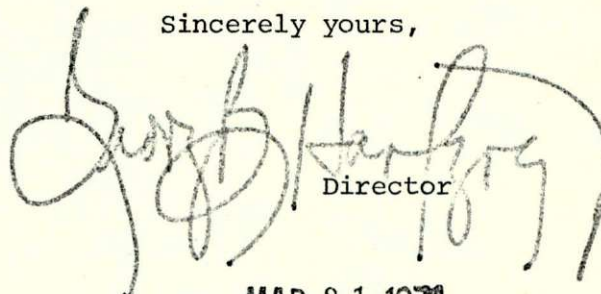
MAR 31 1971

Mr. William B. Pinney
State Liaison Officer
Board of Historic Sites
7 Langdon Street
Montpelier, Vermont 05602

Dear Mr. Pinney:

We are pleased to inform you that the historic properties listed on the enclosure have been placed on the National Register of Historic Places. Senators Winston L. Prouty and George D. Aiken and Representative Robert T. Stafford are being informed. A leaflet explaining the National Register is enclosed for each of the property owners. Please withhold any publicity on this until you have received a carbon copy of the Congressional correspondence.

Sincerely yours,



Director

Enclosures

Entered in the National Register MAR 31 1971

Properties added to the National Register of Historic Places

VERMONT

Bennington Battle Monument

Bennington County
Bennington, Vermont

Chimney Point Tavern

Addison County
Addison, Vermont

Old Schoolhouse Bridge

Caledonia County
Lyndon, Vermont

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY - NOMINATION FORM

(Type all entries - complete applicable sections)

STATE: Vermont	
COUNTY: Bennington	
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ENTRY NUMBER	DATE

1. NAME	
COMMON: Bennington Battle Monument	
AND/OR HISTORIC:	

2. LOCATION			
STREET AND NUMBER: Monument Circle (no number)			
CITY OR TOWN: Bennington			
STATE Vermont	CODE 44	COUNTY: Bennington	CODE 003

3. CLASSIFICATION			
CATEGORY (Check One)	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC
<input type="checkbox"/> District <input type="checkbox"/> Building <input type="checkbox"/> Site <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Structure <input type="checkbox"/> Object	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Public <input type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> Both	Public Acquisition: <input type="checkbox"/> In Process <input type="checkbox"/> Being Considered	<input type="checkbox"/> Occupied <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress
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) _____ _____
Yes: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Restricted <input type="checkbox"/> Unrestricted <input type="checkbox"/> No			

4. OWNER OF PROPERTY	
OWNER'S NAME: State of Vermont, Board of Historic Sites	
STREET AND NUMBER: 7 Langdon St.	
CITY OR TOWN: Montpelier	STATE: Vermont
	CODE 44

5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION	
COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC: Office of the Secretary of State	
STREET AND NUMBER: State House (no number)	
CITY OR TOWN: Montpelier	STATE: Vermont
	CODE 44

6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS	
TITLE OF SURVEY: State Survey of Historic Sites and Buildings	
DATE OF SURVEY: 1967-68 <input type="checkbox"/> Federal <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> State <input type="checkbox"/> County <input type="checkbox"/> Local	
DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS: Vermont Board of Historic Sites	
STREET AND NUMBER: 7 Langdon St.	
CITY OR TOWN: Montpelier	STATE: Vermont
	CODE 44

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COUNTY:

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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 type="checkbox"/> Altered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unaltered	<input type="checkbox"/> Moved	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Original Site		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Bennington Battle Monument is a 306 ft. stone monolith. The appearance of the Monument is unchanged since it was built. An elevator was added to the interior in 1955 which carries approximately 45,000 visitors per year to the observation floor.

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8. 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)

Built 1891

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

☐ Aboriginal

☐ Education

☐ Political

☐ Urban Planning

☐ Prehistoric

☐ Engineering

☐ Religion/Phi-

☐ Other (Specify)

☐ Historic

☐ Industry

losophy

☐ Agriculture

☐ Invention

☐ Science

☐ Architecture

☐ Landscape

☐ Sculpture

☐ Art

☐ Architecture

☐ Social/Human-

☐ Commerce

☐ Literature

itarian

☐ Communications

☒ Military

☐ Theater

☐ Conservation

☐ Music

☐ Transportation

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

In 1891, there was erected on the arsenal site at Old Bennington, a 306 ft. stone monolith in commemoration of the Battle of Bennington which was fought nearby in New York State. The State of Vermont then placed the property in custody of a local organization known as the "Bennington Monument Association".

In 1952, this group was no longer able to care for the historic structure and reported their intention to disband. It was then transferred to the jurisdiction of the Board of Historic Sites.

Early in 1964, the Board commissioned Vermont artist Paul V. Winters to build a diorama depicting the second engagement action at the hard-fought Bennington Battle. This fine work in full color is historically accurate, the detail well authenticated by research. It gives the visitor a dramatic glimpse of our historic past.

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9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

The Bennington Battle Monument, State of Vermont, Board of Historic Sites, Montpelier, Vermont.

10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY			O R	LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING THE CENTER POINT OF A PROPERTY OF LESS THAN TEN ACRES		
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APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY: 5

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

STATE:	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
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11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE: William B. Pinney, Director of Historic Sites	
ORGANIZATION Vermont Board of Historic Sites	DATE 12/17/69
STREET AND NUMBER: 7 Langdon St.	
CITY OR TOWN: Montpelier	STATE Vermont
	CODE 44

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

William B. Pinney

Title Director of Historic Sites

Date November 12, 1970

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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PLEASE CREDIT:

VERMONT DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

MONTPELIER, VERMONT

SUBJECT _____

LOCATION _____

36. Bennington Battle Monument.

STATE OF VERMONT
BOARD OF HISTORIC SITES
7 LANGDON STREET
MONTPELIER, VERMONT