

HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY
BUILDING AND STRUCTURES
 HIST-6 NEW 5/77

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105/33/28/1

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY	
Town No.:	Site No.:
UTM	
QUAD:	
DISTRICT	IF NR. SPECIFY
<input type="checkbox"/> S <input type="checkbox"/> NR	<input type="checkbox"/> Actual <input type="checkbox"/> Potential

IDENTIFICATION	1. BUILDING NAME (Common) _____ (Historic) _____	
	2. TOWN CITY THOMPSON	VILLAGE THOMPSON
	3. STREET AND NUMBER (and/or location) 104 CHASE ROAD <i>47 Chase Rd</i> 105/33-28	
	4. OWNER(S) MOTORVATION LTD., P.O. BOX 2, PUTNAM, CT 06260 <i>FREDRICK ROSS</i> <input type="checkbox"/> Public <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private	
	5. USE (Present) _____ (Historic) _____ Residence Residence	
	6. ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	EXTERIOR VISIBLE FROM PUBLIC ROAD <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
	7. STYLE OF BUILDING Vernacular	
	8. MATERIAL(S) (Indicate use or location when appropriate)	
	9. STRUCTURAL SYSTEM	
	10. ROOF (Type)	
DESCRIPTION	11. NUMBER OF STORIES 2 1/2	
	12. CONDITION (Structural) _____ (Exterior) _____	
	13. INTEGRITY (Location) _____ WHEN? _____ (Alterations) _____ IF YES, EXPLAIN _____	
	14. RELATED OUTBUILDINGS OR LANDSCAPE FEATURES	
	15. SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT	
	16. INTERRELATIONSHIP OF BUILDING AND SURROUNDINGS	

On Thompson Hill, in a well preserved 19th century village center.

(OVER)

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	VIEW NW	NEGATIVE ON FILE E31	
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	ORGANIZATION Town of Thompson, Connecticut		
	ADDRESS		



20 SUBSEQUENT FIELD EVALUATION:

17 OTHER NOTABLE FEATURES OF BUILDING OR SITE (interior and/or exterior)

Five-bay facade, central entry. Window bays paired and offset towards corners of house. Sash 12-over-12. Second floor windows high under eaves. First floor windows and entry have splayed wood lintels.

Entry has old heavy paneled door, boarded up rectangular glazed transom. New (1986) semi-circular clapboard fan over entry. Some old beaded corner board. Molded cornice shows partial return. Central brick chimney. Most exterior cladding 1985. Old cross-gabled rear wing.

18 ARCHITECT	BUILDER
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19 HISTORICAL OR ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE

Little could be discovered about the earliest history of this 18th century house. During the late 19th century, it was owned by the locally prominent Gay family.

Successive renovations, including one performed in 1985, have made it difficult to place a precise date on the building. It is historically significant as part of a large assemblage of older buildings in Thompson Hill, which rose to prominence as a turnpike trading center in the first years of the 19th century. Despite later alterations, it is architecturally significant as a good example of an 18th century vernacular house. The paired and offset windows, ridge-parallel-to-street orientation, the location of the second floor windows high under the eaves, and the central brick chimney are all typical 18th century features, adapted by English settlers from the rural buildings of East Anglia.

SOURCES
Thompson Land Records 24:230 (1875)

21 THREATS TO BUILDING OR SITE

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> None known	<input type="checkbox"/> Highways	<input type="checkbox"/> Vandalism	<input type="checkbox"/> Developers	<input type="checkbox"/> Other _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Renewal	<input type="checkbox"/> Private	<input type="checkbox"/> Deterioration	<input type="checkbox"/> Zoning	<input type="checkbox"/> Explanation _____