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State of Connecticut
CONNECTICUT HISTORICAL COMMISSION
 59 South Prospect Street, Hartford 06106

HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY:
 Buildings & Structures

SURVEY OF GUILFORD, NEW HAVEN COUNTY, 06437
 June-December 1981

IDENTIFICATION

1. **ADDRESS** 480 Colonial Road
(map 4, lot 27)
2. **NAME**
(historic) Frederick R. Griffing
NAME
(common)
3. **USE**
(historic)
USE
(present) Private house
4. **IF MOVED, WHEN AND FROM WHERE:**



DESCRIPTION

5. **ARCHITECT**
6. **DATE** c1835 **BUILDER STYLE** Greek Revival
7. **ALTERATIONS**
Shingle siding; rear addition; large picture window on the south side; vent in gable window.

SIGNIFICANCE

8. **NOTABLE FEATURES**
Boxed pedimented cornice; 6/6 sash; rectangular gable opening; moulding around the window frames; doorway with pilasters and entablature.
9. **ARCHITECTURAL-HISTORICAL**
One of Guilford's many Greek Revival houses, although only three or four were built along with this one in the Sachem's Head area. This house seems narrower than most of Guilford's Greek Revivals. The doorway entablature and pilasters are in low relief.

Frederick R. Griffing and his father, Nathaniel, built the first Sachem's Head Hotel in 1832. He built the house about 1835. A wealthy man, Griffing, was the first president of the New Haven and New London Railway Company which built the railroad linking these towns in 1851-52. He died in October 1852.

SOURCES

10. **SOURCES**
Dorothy Whitfield Society '76; Joel E. Helander, Oxpasture; Steiner.

In all categories below, check more than one box if applicable.

If you have not actually made certain of the answer to a given question, either leave it blank or write "inferred" after the checked box; or, if drawn from a previous investigator, give source.

11. MATERIALS

- Clapboard
- Wood Shingle
- Board & Batten
- Brick
- Fieldstone
- Cut Stone
- Stucco
- Concrete
- Cobblestone
- Asbestos Shingle
- Asphalt Siding
- Aluminum/Vinyl
- Other:

12. STRUCTURE

- Wood Frame:
- Post & Beam
- Balloon
- Masonry
- Iron or Steel
- Concrete
- Other:

13. ROOF

- a. Pitched
- Saltbox
- Gambrel
- Gable-front
- Cross-gable
- Mansard
- Hip
- Flat Hip
- Flat
- Shed
- False Dormer
- Sawtooth
- Other:
- b. Tower(s)
- Monitor
- Cupola
- Dormered Gable
- Dome
- c. Wood Shingle
- Asphalt Shingle
- Slate
- Metal
- Other:

14. NUMBER OF STORIES: 2 APPROXIMATE DIMENSIONS: LOT SIZE: 2 ACRES (APPROX)

15. CONDITION: Exterior

- Excellent
- Good
- Fair
- Poor
- Bad

16. CONDITION: Structure

- Excellent
- Good
- Fair
- Poor
- Bad

17. OUTBUILDINGS (visible from public road)

- Barn(s)
- Carriage House
- Garage
- Shed(s)
- Shop(s)
- Other (well, stand, greenhouse, gazebo, privy, etc.):

18. LANDSCAPING (visible from public road)

- Planted Grounds
- Garden
- Terracing
- Plaza
- Stone Wall(s)
- Pickett Fence
- Iron Fence
- Post & Rail
- Court

19. SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT

- a. Town Street
- Rural
- Semi-rural
- Clustered Growth
- Development
- b. Commercial
- Industrial
- Agricultural
- Residential
- Vacation, now or originally
- c. Open
- Wooded
- Lakefront
- Coastal
- Salt marsh
- d. Of outstanding scenic/architectural value
- Of scenic/architectural value
- Of supportive value to contiguous scenic/architectural area
- Neutral
- Other:

20. ROLE OF BUILDING IN ENHANCING QUALITY OF ENVIRONMENT

- Vital
- Important
- Supportive
- Neutral
- Other:

21. OWNERSHIP

- Public
- Private
- Interior accessible

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22. Name D. PENAR

Date 7/10/80

Photographer D. PENAR

Date 7/10/80

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P.O. Box 199, Guilford, Conn. 06437

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23. THREATS TO BUILDING

- None Known
- Renewal
- Highways
- Private Owner
- Vandalism
- Deterioration
- Developers
- Other:
- Zoning

24. SUBSEQUENT EVALUATIONS

DESCRIPTION

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