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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY - NOMINATION FORM

(Type all entries - complete applicable sections)

STATE:	
COUNTY:	
FOR NPS USE ONLY	
ENTRY NUMBER	DATE

1. NAME

COMMON:
615 Washington Boulevard

AND/OR HISTORIC:
Allbright House

2. LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER:
615 Washington Boulevard

CITY OR TOWN:
Baltimore,

STATE: Maryland CODE: 21230 COUNTY: CODE:

3. CLASSIFICATION

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

PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

Agricultural <input type="checkbox"/>	Government <input type="checkbox"/>	Park <input type="checkbox"/>	Transportation <input type="checkbox"/>	Comments <input type="checkbox"/>
Commercial <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Industrial <input type="checkbox"/>	Private Residence <input type="checkbox"/>	Other (Specify) <input type="checkbox"/>	
Educational <input type="checkbox"/>	Military <input type="checkbox"/>	Religious <input type="checkbox"/>		
Entertainment <input type="checkbox"/>	Museum <input type="checkbox"/>	Scientific <input type="checkbox"/>		

4. OWNER OF PROPERTY

OWNERS NAME:
Ten Downing Enterprises

STREET AND NUMBER:
16 Guilford Avenue

CITY OR TOWN: Baltimore STATE: Maryland CODE: 21202

5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.:
Court House (Liber Folio)

STREET AND NUMBER:
Calvert St. (Between Fayette & Lexington Streets)

CITY OR TOWN: Baltimore STATE: Maryland CODE: 21202

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY:

6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE OF SURVEY:
Landmark List, City of Baltimore

DATE OF SURVEY: 1969 Federal State County Local

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:
Commission for Historical and Architectural Preservation

STREET AND NUMBER:
402 City Hall

CITY OR TOWN: Baltimore STATE: Maryland CODE: 21202

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7. DESCRIPTION

CONDITION	(Check One)					
	Excellent <input type="checkbox"/>	Good <input type="checkbox"/>	Fair <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Deteriorated <input type="checkbox"/>	Ruins <input type="checkbox"/>	Unexposed <input type="checkbox"/>
INTEGRITY	(Check One)			(Check One)		
	Altered <input type="checkbox"/>	Unaltered <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		Moved <input type="checkbox"/>	Original Site <input type="checkbox"/>	

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (If known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

Statement by Mr. William V. Elder III, Curator of Decorative Arts, Baltimore Museum of Art, Baltimore, Maryland:

A late 18th-century Baltimore townhouse, 2½ stories high, with basement, 615 Washington Boulevard has a particularly fine entrance doorway with fan light, flanked by half columns and topped with a flat pediment. There are two dormer windows and two chimneys. An extensive service wing and kitchen remains at the rear of the dwelling. The interior is largely intact with a fine staircase, hallway arches, built-in cupboards, mantel piece, flooring, door locks, etc. The scale and quality of this house make it, along with one other house on Thames Street in Fells Point, the two most important surviving examples of 18th-century townhouse architecture in Baltimore.

This house is in a neighborhood of 19th-century structures which contain at least one other 18th-century house, 637 Washington Boulevard. Most of these structures are still in residential use and would make fine subjects for restoration. The original street pattern remains. The following other historic sites are in close proximity:

Davidige Hall, original Medical School of the University of Maryland; 1812; R. Long.
 St. Paul's Cemetery
 Westminster Presbyterian Church and Graveyard, with Edgar Allan Poe's Gravesite.
 Site of Birthplace of Babe Ruth.

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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)

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

Aboriginal	Education	Political	Urban Planning
Prehistoric <input type="checkbox"/>	Engineering <input type="checkbox"/>	Religion/Phi-	Other (Specify) <input type="checkbox"/>
Historic <input type="checkbox"/>	Industry <input type="checkbox"/>	losophy <input type="checkbox"/>	<u>Architecture</u> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Agriculture <input type="checkbox"/>	Invention <input type="checkbox"/>	Science <input type="checkbox"/>	_____
Art <input type="checkbox"/>	Landscape <input type="checkbox"/>	Sculpture <input type="checkbox"/>	_____
Commerce <input type="checkbox"/>	Architecture <input type="checkbox"/>	Social/Human-	_____
Communications <input type="checkbox"/>	Literature <input type="checkbox"/>	itarian <input type="checkbox"/>	_____
Conservation <input type="checkbox"/>	Military <input type="checkbox"/>	Theater <input type="checkbox"/>	_____
	Music <input type="checkbox"/>	Transportation <input type="checkbox"/>	_____

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE (Include Personages, Dates, Events, Etc.)

Surviving 18th-century structures are extremely rare in Baltimore due both to the demolition related to the growth of the City and the devastating fire of 1904. At one time there were hundreds of houses from this period in Baltimore. Now there are only a handful.

Washington Boulevard, originally Columbia Road in the 18th and 19th-century, was one of the most important thoroughfares in the country, being the main north-south road from Baltimore to Washington. Many important dwellings lined this road. Neighboring 615 Washington Boulevard was the Henry Nagel house, destroyed just a few years ago. This structure was of such quality that it had been preserved by Henry Francis duPont at the Winterthur Museum in Delaware.

The 1775 Warner and Hanna Map at the Maryland Historical Society shows four small houses near the site of the present 615 Washington Boulevard. They belonged to Henry Nagel (Aide de Camp to George Washington), John Allbright, George Warner and Micheal Krebs. These four men were partners in Krebs Terra firma, a brickyard. The 1792 "Frenchmen's Map" by Jolie (Maryland Room, Enoch Pratt Library) shows the four small houses gone and in their place the houses which now stand at 615 and 637 Washington Boulevard. Both of these houses also appear on the 1801 Warner and Hanna Map (Enoch Pratt Library, Maryland Room). They belonged to Allbright and Warner.

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9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Recorder, C. H. A. P.,
 Wth Slder, Baltimore Museum of Nat.

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 ONE ACRE		
CORNER	LATITUDE	LONGITUDE		LATITUDE	LONGITUDE	
	Degrees Minutes Seconds	Degrees Minutes Seconds		Degrees Minutes Seconds	Degrees Minutes Seconds	
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LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE:	CODE	COUNTY:	CODE

11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE: _____

ORGANIZATION _____ DATE _____

STREET AND NUMBER: _____

CITY OR TOWN: _____ STATE _____ CODE _____

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 _____

Title _____

Date _____

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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B-0058
Allbright House
615 Washington Boulevard (Columbia Avenue)
Sanborn Map
Baltimore 1890 vol. 1, Sheet 14_a

Demolished



