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## MILWAUKEE HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION HISTORIC SITE DESIGNATION APPLICATION

An application fee of \$25 (cash or check) is required with this application.

### 1. Name

Historic: Patricia T. Najera

and/or Common:

### 2. Location

Street & number 1636 W. National Avenue, Milwaukee, WI 53204

Aldersperson(s): President Jose Perez

District Number(s): 12

### 3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Present Use			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input type="checkbox"/> agricultural	<input type="checkbox"/> park	<input type="checkbox"/> government	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
<input type="checkbox"/> structure(s)	<input type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> commercial	<input type="checkbox"/> cemetery	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial	<input type="checkbox"/> vacant
<input type="checkbox"/> object(s)	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> educational	<input type="checkbox"/> religious	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> other
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> site		<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> private residence	<input type="checkbox"/> museum	

### 4. Owner of Property

Name: Clarke Square Neighborhood Initiative (CSNI)

Address: 1636 W. National Avenue

City: Milwaukee State WI Zip 53221

### 5. Representation in Existing Surveys

Inventory:

Date: 8/20/2021  federal  state  county  local

Depository for survey records:

Organization CSNI

Street & number PO Box 210141

City Milwaukee State WI Zip 53221

**Previous historic designation:**

National Register      Date \_\_\_\_\_ Historic Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 City of Milwaukee Landmark      Date \_\_\_\_\_ Historic Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Other      Name of Program Interest to make Milwaukee landmark      Date designated \_\_\_\_\_

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**6. DESCRIPTION**

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**Condition:**

- excellent
- good
- fair
- deteriorated
- ruins

- altered
- unaltered

**Location:**

- original site
- moved, date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Walls:**

- clapboard;  brick;  stucco;  stone;  wood shingle;  slate;  terra cotta;  asphalt siding;
  - asbestos tile;  aluminum siding;  artificial stone;  other \_\_\_\_\_
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**Building form:**

Number of stories 2

**Foundation**

- stone     brick     concrete block     concrete
- other Cream city brick

**Roof**

- gable ( flank;  end;  cross)
- gambrel ( flank;  end;  cross)
- hip     mansard     flat
- other \_\_\_\_\_

**Written description:** (Continue on a separate sheet, if necessary)

## 7. SIGNIFICANCE

### Areas of significance:

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|--------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> agriculture  | <input type="checkbox"/> economics                         | <input type="checkbox"/> law                 | <input type="checkbox"/> science             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> architecture            | <input type="checkbox"/> education                         | <input type="checkbox"/> literature          | <input type="checkbox"/> social/humanitarian |
| <input type="checkbox"/> art                     | <input type="checkbox"/> engineering                       | <input type="checkbox"/> military            | <input type="checkbox"/> theater             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> commerce                | <input type="checkbox"/> engineering                       | <input type="checkbox"/> music               | <input type="checkbox"/> transportation      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> communications          | <input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement            | <input type="checkbox"/> philosophy          | <input type="checkbox"/> other (specify):    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> community planning      | <input type="checkbox"/> industry                          | <input type="checkbox"/> politics/government | Click here to enter text.                    |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> conservation | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> religion            |                                              |

Date built or altered: \_\_\_\_1868\_\_\_\_

### Builder/architect:

Unknown

### Written statement of significance: (continue on a separate sheet, if necessary)

1636 W. National Avenue is the original homestead of George Burnham, manufacturer of the "cream city brick." George Burnham lived at this location with his family. Given the age of this development, the front of the house today sits in the backyard. In the mid-to-late 1800's, the front area of the house faced north to the industry in the Menomonee Valley. The façade on National Avenue is originally the backyard of the house.

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## 8. Major Bibliographical References

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Burnham, George: 1816-1889, Wisconsin Historical Society

Wells Street House and Backyard Chapel

CSNI buys Burnham house

Burnham Park

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## 9. Property Description

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**Acreege:**     .25 acre     Obtain from <http://assessments.milwaukee.gov/>

**Legal property description:**

4339942000 tax key;

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## 10. Form Prepared By

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**Name/Title:** Patricia T. Najera

**Organization:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Street:** 5575 S. 23rd Street

**City:** Milwaukee **State:** WI **Zip:** 53221

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**Date:** 6/26/2023

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**Signature** \_\_\_\_\_

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