**HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY**
**BUILDING AND STRUCTURES**

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1. **BUILDING NAME (Common) (Historic)**
   - Bishop, Lucius S., House

2. **TOWN CITY**
   - Farmington

3. **STREET AND NUMBER (and or location)**
   - 99 Town Farm Road

4. **OWNER(S)**
   - Tomasso Brothers

5. **USE (Present)**
   - Residence

6. **ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC**
   - Exterior visible from public road: Yes
   - Interior accessible: Yes

7. **STYLE OF BUILDING**
   - Colonial Revival

8. **MATERIALS (indicate use or location when appropriate)**
   - Wood Shingle
   - Asbestos Siding
   - Brick
   - Fieldstone
   - Concrete

9. **STRUCTURAL SYSTEM**
   - Load bearing masonry
   - Post and beam
   - Balloon

10. **ROOF (Type)**
    - Gable
    - Flat
    - Mansard
    - Monitor
    - Round

11. **NUMBER OF STORIES**
    - 2

12. **CONDITION (Structural)**
    - Excellent
    - Good
    - Fair
    - Deteriorated

13. **INTEGRITY WHEN**
    - On original site
    - Moved

14. **RELATED OUTBUILDINGS OR LANDSCAPE FEATURES**
    - Barn
    - Shed
    - Garage
    - Other landscape features or buildings: Shed

15. **SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT**
    - Open land
    - Woodland
    - Residential
    - Scattered buildings visible from site

16. **INTERRELATIONSHIP OF BUILDING AND SURROUNDINGS**
    - The Lucius S. Bishop House is surrounded by open land. Scattered buildings, including Tunxis Plantation and Tavern on the Green Restaurant, are visible. Two brown barns are located behind the house.
The Lucius S. Bishop House features a gable roof and a large open porch supported by round classical columns. It is very modest in appearance and displays no detail. The three bay facade features six-over-one sash in several locations.

In 1902 farmer Lucius S. Bishop (1823) sold two pieces of property to Charles Belosy. One piece, made up of 37 acres, contained this modest farmhouse (FLR 71:565). Bishop married Sarah Ann Woodford (b. 1820) in 1849 and had one son Samuel (b. 1851). Bishop had probably lived in this house since 1890 as an earlier deed (FLR 70:196) illustrated a sale of rye, 6 yearlings, a cow named Nell, and 6 other heifers. In 1913 Charles Balozy (unknown background) sold the property with 4 acres to Walter and Julia Malinowski (FLR 77:455). Since that time it has changed owners several times.

The Lucius S. Bishop House contributes to the historical development of Town Farm Road.
Residence of S. Charles Balazy

This house, which no longer stands, pictured on page 143 of the Farmington Book, stood on the site of what is now the Francis S. Marecki house, one mile north of Farmington Avenue.

The Glueks lived on the Balazy place, and Mr. Balazy bought from them.

The Glueks had three children. William was brought up by Miss Adgate. Harriet married William L. Porter of 149 Main Street, and later lived at 145 Main Street. Carl was the third child, of whom nothing is known.

Mr. Balazy may have worked for the Tillotsons, and even boarding with them for a time, before marrying and buying this place. Felicia Kozlowski (nee Balazy) is a descendant of the Balazy family who lived here in 1906.

Sometime prior to 1914 they sold to Walter Malinowsky, 1882-1967, who had come to Farmington from Long Island, New York, a truck farmer. The house was burned down on October 10, 1914, and Mrs. Malinowsky and two boys, Walter and Clement, died of burns received. Three boys and a girl survived, the girl however dying a year or two later, in a fire in Brooklyn, N. Y. This Farmington fire was caused by gasoline having been in a can which was supposed to contain kerosene. The daughter who survived this fire was Viola, who later died in the fire in Brooklyn.

Mr. Malinowsky rebuilt on this site, and that house still stands here. He re-married and his second wife, Helen, 1892-1942, bore one child, Josephine.

The three boys who survived took the surname of Mitchell. They are Edward, Joseph and James.

Mr. Mitchell's second wife has been described as "strong and mighty". She pitched right in, caring for the children, and working out in the fields, helping with the vegetables. In the very early morning hours Mr. Mitchell would start for Hartford with a load of vegetables, going to the open market. They were arranged so nicely it was a pretty sight to look at. Those were the horse and wagon days.

Mrs. Mitchell accomplished what Mr. Tillotson had been unable to do -- to get the town to transport the children to school.

Edward J. Mitchell, widowed a few years ago, lives in Avon, is sexton of the Farmington Congregational Church, and still bears scars resulting from the fire. Joseph Mitchell lives at 107 Mountain Road, Farmington. James lives and operates a garage in Burlington.

Josephine, daughter of the second marriage, now owns this house on Town Farm Road, and lives here with her husband, Francis S. Marecki, and their children. Mr. Marecki, formerly an accountant but yearning for outdoor work, now has his own successful business, landscaping and providing summer and winter care for house and business grounds. Mrs. Marecki operates a day nursery in their home, giving some mothers a chance to work.

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