**State of Connecticut**
**Connecticut Historical Commission**
59 South Prospect Street, Hartford, Connecticut 06106
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**1. Building Name (Common)**
Hinman, Levi, House

**2. Town/County**
Farmington / Hartford

**3. Street and Number (and or locations)**
34 Burlington Road

**4. Owner(s)**
Flynn, Edward T. and Mostyn, Ann

**5. Use (Present)**
Residence

**6. Accessibility to Public:**
Exterior Visible from Public Road: Yes
Interior Accessible: No

**7. Style of Building**
Greek Revival

**8. Material(s) (indicate use or location when appropriate):**
- [x] Clapboard
- [ ] Wood Shingle
- [ ] Board & Batten
- [ ] Aluminum Siding
- [x] Wood Frame
- [ ] Load bearing masonry
- [ ] Gable
- [ ] Post and beam
- [ ] Load bearing masonry
- [ ] Wood Shingle
- [ ] Asphalt Shingle
- [x] Sheet Metal
- [ ] Asphalt shingle
- [ ] Built up
- [ ] Other (Specify)

**9. Structural System**
- [x] Wood Frame
- [ ] Post and beam
- [ ] Other (Specify)
- [ ] Load bearing masonry
- [ ] Structural iron or steel

**10. Roof Type**
- [x] Gable
- [ ] Flat
- [ ] Mansard
- [ ] Monitor
- [ ] Other (Specify)

**11. Number of Stories**
2

**12. Condition (Structural)**
- [x] Excellent
- [ ] Good
- [ ] Fair
- [ ] Deteriorated

**13. Integrity of Location**
On original site: Yes
Moved: No

**14. Related Outbuildings or Landscape Features**
- [x] Barn
- [ ] Shed
- [x] Garage
- [ ] Other landscape features or buildings (Specify)
- [ ] Brownstone

**15. Surrounding Environment**
- [ ] Scattered buildings visible from site

**16. InteRrelationship of Building and Surroundings**
Facing south onto Burlington Road, the Levi Hinman House stands on a large open lot trimmed with old maples. The surrounding residential neighborhood comprises primarily twentieth century dwellings, although the John Horsford House (#20 Burlington Road) and John Flynn House (#29 Burlington Road) lie to the southeast. The overall rural and agricultural character of the area has been destroyed.
Built circa 1840, the Levi Hinman House is one of Farmington's most unique examples of Greek Revival-style architecture. Oriented gable-to-street, the three-bay facade exhibits a fully-pedimented gable end. The central, panel door features a pedimented gable supported by slender pilasters. Six-paned attic windows, reminiscent of the Greek Revival-style eyebrow window, are found below the eaves. A wide, heavy entablature also extends around the house beneath the eaves. Other windows display six-over-six sash. Note the central brick chimney. The interesting feature of this building is that the main portion is sided with flushboards. A one-and-one-half story, clapboarded ell extends from the west elevation. A well-preserved brownstone barn stands to the northwest of the house.

Although a definite construction date cannot be determined, this house was probably erected about 1840. Stylistically the dwelling could not have been built before 1820, as the Greek Revival style did not evolve until the 1830s in the United States. Levi Hinman was the original owner of this house. The son of Amos and Esther Hinman, Levi (1795-1867) was raised on the neighboring farm (see #20 Burlington Road) and presumably built this house on land he inherited from his father. Levi Hinman was a farmer, although he may have been involved with his father's tavern, "A. Hinman's Rising Sun Inn" which stood across the road on the Old Litchfield Turnpike. His wife's name was Amanda and they had nine children. Upon Hinman's death in 1867, the property was willed to his widow and surviving children (FPR 13:386-88). His inventory lists "The house and lands north of the road" and "The old house and all other lands" (FPR 13:388); the later presumably referring to the old tavern. In 1869 the property, including two dwelling houses and 125 acres, was acquired by John Flynn (Flinn) (FLR 62:31 & 24). Flynn (1817-1898) was a farmer from Westmeath, Ireland. His wife, Ann (Scott) Flynn (1815-1893) was also Irish born. There is little historical information concerning the Flynns, except for that John volunteered in Unionville for service during the Civil War. In 1900 the Flynns' son Frank inherited the farm (FLR 74:60) and his heirs continue to own the house today.

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The Levi Hinman House is architecturally significant as a well-preserved example of the Greek Revival style. Historically the house is important for its association with the Hinman and Flynn families.