



soldier, lawyer, essayist, politician, economist, leader of the Federalist Party, and US Treasury Secretary. He worked on developing a strong Federal government to unite the newly independent states and devoted himself to the challenge of ratifying the US Constitution.

- As President Washington’s treasury secretary, Hamilton was responsible for solving the crisis of crippling war debts and overseeing the establishment of America’s credit and the creation of the Bank of the United States.

Integrity:

- On April 27, 1962, The Grange was designated a National Memorial under Public Law 87-438 to be administered by the National Park Service (NPS). A 1908 New York State Assembly law and the 1962 Public Law directed that Hamilton Grange be moved to a more appropriate location. The 1995 NPS General Management Plan for the Memorial recommended that the Grange be relocated and “preserved in a fitting setting” for its proper administration and interpretation. The national memorial at its location on Convent Avenue was wedged, within inches, between a church and an apartment house. In 2008, the building was moved to a new, compatible site one block away in St. Nicholas Park, which was the relocation site recommended by the New York State Assembly in 1908. Interior and exterior rehabilitation work was completed in 2011, and again in 2016.

Owner of Property: National Park Service

Acreage of Property: 0.93 acre

Origins of Nomination: Because of the building’s relocation, the 1960 NHL documentation required updating. The NPS Northeast Regional Office worked with the NPS Denver Service Center to hire a contractor to prepare the updated documentation for the property description and boundary. The NHL Program in WASO had a contractor strengthen the national significance section of the nomination presented to the committee at the spring 2012 meeting.



The Landmarks Committee approved the boundary change but asked staff to further refine the historic narrative and statement of national significance before presenting it to the Landmarks Committee at a later date. A boundary revision for the property was approved by the Secretary of the Interior in fall 2012, including a justification for the building in its new location and setting.

WASO staff worked with a staff person on detail from the Oregon State Historic Preservation Office to address the issues identified by the Landmarks Committee at their spring 2012 meeting.

Potential for Positive Public Response or Reflection on NHL Program:

- Updating the nomination for Hamilton Grange will provide the NHL Program, the NPS, and the public with the most current documentation for this NHL.
- Updating the narrative statement provides an opportunity to expand and strengthen the nomination to reflect the most current scholarship on Alexander Hamilton, particularly timely with the great success of *Hamilton*, the Broadway musical.

Potential for Negative Public Response or Reflection on NHL Program: None is known.

Landmarks Committee Comments:

Landmarks Committee Recommendation: Designation. Dr. Young moved, Dr. Leavitt seconded; unanimous approval.

Public Comments Favoring Designation (received as of 10/5/16):

Meenakshi Srinivasan, Chair, NYC Landmarks Preservation Commission, New York, New York

Advisory Board Recommendation: