

Historical Marker - S313 - Mission House (Marker ID#:S313)



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Mission House

In 1823 the Reverend William Ferry founded a mission on Mackinac Island on land now known as Mission Point. Two years later he and his wife, Amanda, erected this building as a boarding school for Indian children. In 1827, 112 students attended the school. The majority of the resident pupils were metis, children of Indian and Euro-American parents. The mission closed in 1837. In 1849 Edward A. Franks opened the Mission House Hotel after adding a third story to the structure. The Franks family operated the hotel until 1939 when it was sold and converted to a rooming house. In 1946 Miles and Margaret Phillimore bought the property, which provided a base for the Moral Re-Armament movement. Around 1971 the Cathedral of Tomorrow purchased the site. Six years later the Mission House became part of the Mackinac Island State Park.

Significant Date:

Statehood Era (1815-1860)

Registry Year: 1970 **Erected Date:** 1993

Marker Location

Address: East end of Huron St.

City: Mackinac Island

State: MI **ZipCode:**

County: Mackinac

Township:

Lat: 45.85053400 / **Long:** -84.60755800

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