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# Significant Date:

Statehood Era (1815-1860)

Registry Year: 2005 Erected Date: 2014

#### **Marker Location**

Address: 797 W. Textile Road

City: Ann Arbor

State: MI ZipCode: 48108

County: Washtenaw

Township:

Lat: 42.25330000 / Long: -83.83680000

Web URL:

## Front - Title/Description

#### Sutherland-Wilson Farm

In the 1850s, Langford (1802-1865) and Lydia (1806-1892) Sutherland replaced their small log cabin with this Greek Revival house. Farm buildings from that era were built from locally harvested hand-hewn timber and hand-cut stones gathered from nearby fields. Here, the Sutherlands raised horses, sheep, dairy and beef cattle, oxen, pigs and crops including buckwheat, clover seed, wheat, corn, hay and oats. Other goods produced by the farm included Irish potatoes, butter, wool and cheese. Descendants of Langford and Lydia lived here and farmed the land for more than 150 years. The Sutherland-Wilson Farm was listed on the National Register of Historic Places in 2006.

# Back - Title/Description

## Sutherland-Wilson Farm

When Langford and Lydia Sutherland moved here from Ontario County, New York, in 1832, they had a log cabin and farmed 160 acres. Four of their eight children attended the Sutherland School; their son Tobias and his son Ernest both taught there. During the 1990s, most of the acreage was sold for development by the last family members to live here, Harold and Mary Wilson. The remaining 4.6 acres were acquired by Pittsfield Charter Township in 2000 with a deed restriction to be known as the Sutherland-Wilson Farm Museum. In partnership with the Pittsfield Township Historical Society, restoration of the barn, house and outbuildings began in 2002. Barn restoration was completed in 2007.