

HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY

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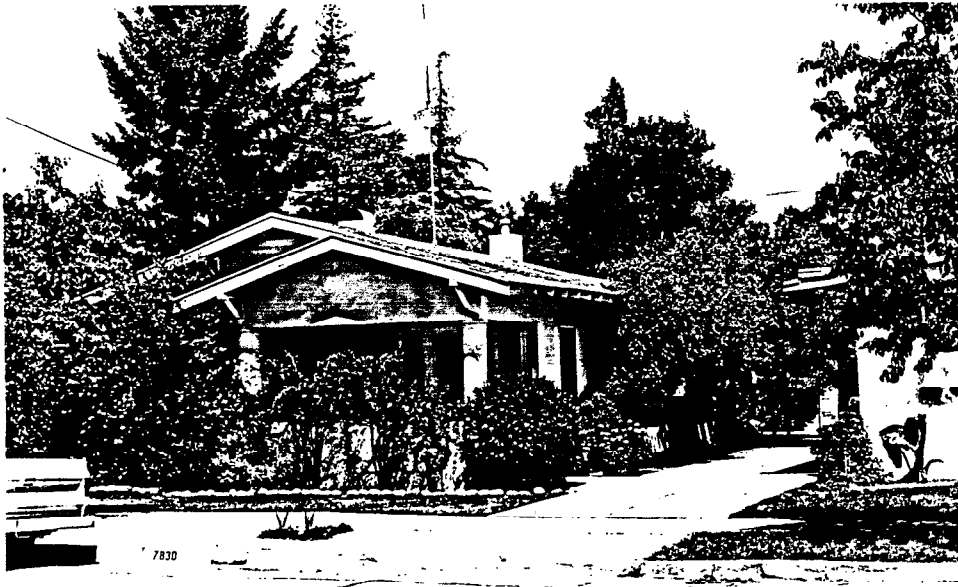
IDENTIFICATION

1. Common name: \_\_\_\_\_
2. Historic name: \_\_\_\_\_
3. Street or rural address: 7830 Church Street  
 City Gilroy Zip 95020 County Santa Clara
4. Parcel number: 79900119
5. Present Owner: Esther Auser Address: 7830 Church Street  
 City Gilroy Zip 95020 Ownership is: Public \_\_\_\_\_ Private X
6. Present Use: Residence Original use: Residence

DESCRIPTION

- 7a. Architectural style: California Bungalow
- 7b. Briefly describe the present *physical appearance* of the site or structure and describe any major alterations from its original condition:

A low double gable roofline marks this partially hidden stucco bungalow in the middle of a row of very similar houses. There are exposed rafters and support brackets and a recessed porch supported by a single round column.



8. Construction date:  
 Estimated 1923 Factual \_\_\_\_\_
9. Architect \_\_\_\_\_
10. Builder H. Carl
11. Approx. property size (in feet)  
 Frontage 50 Depth 136  
 or approx. acreage \_\_\_\_\_
12. Date(s) of enclosed photograph(s)  
Mar. 1986

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13. Condition: Excellent \_\_\_ Good X Fair \_\_\_ Deteriorated \_\_\_ No longer in existence \_\_\_
14. Alterations: \_\_\_\_\_
15. Surroundings: (Check more than one if necessary) Open land \_\_\_ Scattered buildings \_\_\_ Densely built-up X  
Residential X Industrial \_\_\_ Commercial \_\_\_ Other: \_\_\_\_\_
16. Threats to site: None known X Private development \_\_\_ Zoning \_\_\_ Vandalism \_\_\_  
Public Works project \_\_\_ Other: \_\_\_\_\_
17. Is the structure: On its original site? X Moved? \_\_\_ Unknown? \_\_\_
18. Related features: \_\_\_\_\_

**SIGNIFICANCE**

19. Briefly state historical and/or architectural importance (include dates, events, and persons associated with the site.)

The booming years after World War I were centered around agriculture in the valley around Gilroy. Food processing and the various related businesses grew and brought additional population to the area. Many new residents were people who valued the natural feeling of bungalows and enjoyed the comfort of a California style. Gilroy has retained a full range of bungalow styles that are concentrated in the area, bound by First Street on the north, Fifth Street on the south, Monterey Road and Hanna Street. Within the context of this area are found homes of industry employees, merchants, bankers, doctors, and education. A full cross section of community life is still visible in the size, style and complexity of these residences.

20. Main theme of the historic resource: (If more than one is checked, number in order of importance.)  
Architecture 1 Arts & Leisure \_\_\_\_\_  
Economic/Industrial \_\_\_ Exploration/Settlement \_\_\_  
Government \_\_\_ Military \_\_\_  
Religion \_\_\_ Social/Education \_\_\_\_\_

21. Sources (List books, documents, surveys, personal interviews and their dates).  
A Field Guide to American Houses  
McAlister  
Sanborn Map 1888, 1908

22. Date form prepared April 1986  
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