IDENTIFICATION
1. Common name: Sig Sanchez Home
2. Historic name: Lester House
3. Street or rural address: 286 Fifth Street
   City Gilroy Zip 95020 County Santa Clara
4. Parcel number: 79900720
5. Present Owner: Segundo Sanchez
   Address: 286 Fifth Street
   City Gilroy Zip 95020 Ownership is: Public Private
6. Present Use: Residence
   Original use: Residence

DESCRIPTION
7a. Architectural style: Federal Revival
7b. Briefly describe the present physical appearance of the site or structure and describe any major alterations from its original condition:

The residence is set on a large corner lot with well groomed landscaping keeping in character with the immediate surroundings. The revival style is in immaculate condition and it greatly adds to the entire Fifth Street's architectural composition. Particularly notable on this residence is the broken pediment entry portico with its paired tuscan columns and round arched front door.

8. Construction date:
   Estimated Factual 1923
9. Architect: Unknown
10. Builder: Unknown
11. Approx. property size (in feet):
    Frontage 90 Depth 120 or approx. acreage
12. Date(s) of enclosed photograph(s)
    Mar. 1906

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13. Condition: Excellent X Good ____ 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 ____ 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 former structure was the home of the Mayor of Gilroy, George Wentz, who served from 1914 to 1918. In 1923, Mrs. Lester O'Neill had that structure removed and the home that we see today was erected. Today, it is the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Sig Sanchez, a former Mayor of Gilroy and Supervisor for Santa Clara County.

   The residence is a nice addition to the architectural diversity found on Fifth Street. The association of this location with former mayors of Gilroy is also of interest.

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

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

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