HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY

IDENTIFICATION
1. Common name: Oaks Apartments
2. Historic name: Holloway Hotel
3. Street or rural address: 7320 Egleberry Street
   City Gilroy Zip 95020 County Santa Clara
4. Parcel number: 79900848
5. Present Owner: Beatrice Ruiz
   Address: 7320 Egleberry
   City Gilroy Zip 95020 Ownership is: Public Private X
6. Present Use: Residence Original use: Residence

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

A two story rectangular structure approximately 50 x 130 feet. Without ornamentation or decoration, this flat walled structure has a random assortment of window shapes, sizes and placement. Many of the windows appear to be from the 1860's to the 1880's and have very old glazing. Reportedly the rear of a cross gable structure this is consistent with the existing structure.

8. Construction date:
   Estimated Factual 1853
9. Architect David Holloway
10. Builder D. Holloway
11. Approx. property size (in feet)
    Frontage 50 Depth 141
    or approx. acreage
12. Date(s) of enclosed photograph(s)
    Mar. 1986

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

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

This historic building, now on Eingleberry Street, was originally called the New York Exchange Hotel and was on Monterey Street. It was the second or third building in Gilroy and served as the stage coach station for the town. It was built in 1853 by David Holloway, one of Gilroy's earliest pioneers. The horse-drawn stages between San Francisco and Los Angeles stopped here for the night. In 1925, the property was acquired by Mrs. Thomas Fowler, mother of Robert Fowler, a pioneer aviator. Fowler made the first coast to coast flight in 1912, in a biplane which was kept behind the building. In 1935 the building became the first Greyhound Bus Station in Gilroy. Eventually, the building was turned into residences and was known as the Oaks Apartments. At some point the building was moved from Monterey Street to its present location at 7320 Eingleberry Street. It is now owned by Beatrice Ruiz.

20. Main theme of the historic resource: (If more than one is checked, number 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):
   American Architecture Since 1780
   Gilroy Advocate
   San Jose Mercury Herald
   Gilroy Museum Files - Holloway

22. Date form prepared ___ April 1986
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Locational sketch map (draw and label site and surrounding streets, roads, and prominent landmarks): [Map Image]