

HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY

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IDENTIFICATION

1. Common name: \_\_\_\_\_
2. Historic name: \_\_\_\_\_
3. Street or rural address: 7435 Monterey Street  
 City Gilroy Zip 95020 County Santa Clara
4. Parcel number: 79900758
5. Present Owner: Mamie Cornaggia Address: 7621 N. Hanna Stre  
 City Gilroy Zip 95020 Ownership is: Public \_\_\_\_\_ Private X
6. Present Use: Commercial Original use: commercial

DESCRIPTION

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

This single story rectangular building conforms to the scale and mass of the smaller commercial structures in Gilroy. The facade has been stripped and remodeled in a moderné design that incorporates a round cornered window above a band of glass block. Black glass tiles cover the remaining surface. A sign area has been left blank and a stucco field extends above the glass tile in the cornice. This structure provides a point of interest and coexists with the definative forms that are on the west side of Monterey Street.



8. Construction date:  
 Estimated 1915 Factual \_\_\_\_\_
9. Architect Unknown
10. Builder Unknown
11. Approx. property size (in feet)  
 Frontage 21 Depth 140  
 or approx. acreage \_\_\_\_\_
12. Date(s) of enclosed photograph(s)  
Mar. 1986

13. Condition: Excellent \_\_\_ Good X Fair \_\_\_ Deteriorated \_\_\_ No longer in existence \_\_\_
14. Alterations: Facade
15. Surroundings: (Check more than one if necessary) Open land \_\_\_ Scattered buildings \_\_\_ Densely built-up X  
 Residential \_\_\_ Industrial \_\_\_ Commercial X 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.)

In the overall make-up of Monterey Street, this small structure contributes a design style almost unique to the community. The site is an excellent example of minor architecture that combines with the other small structures to form a dominant urban design statement.

Another example of the adaptability of mainstreet commercial buildings, this was Milady Dress Shoppe for many years.

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).  
American Architecture Since 1780  
Whiffen  
Sanborn Map 1888, 1908, 1926

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