IDENTIFICATION
1. Common name: __________________________________________

2. Historic name: __________________________________________

3. Street or rural address: 7507 Monterey Street
   City: Gilroy    Zip: 95020    County: Santa Clara

4. Parcel number: 79900655

5. Present Owner: Joseph Rizzuto
   Address: 5655 Monterey Rd.
   City: Gilroy    Zip: 95020    Ownership is: Public    Private

6. Present Use: Clothing Store    Original use: __________________________

DESCRIPTION
7a. Architectural style: __________________________

7b. Briefly describe the present physical appearance of the site or structure and describe any major alterations from its original condition:

The structure is a large, one-and-a-half story commercial building constructed on a rectangular plan and designed in a Spanish colonial revival design. Dominant features include the false, low-gabled red tile roof, the plain cornice, the oversized panels on the upper half story, the band of horizontal wooden boards which are placed in vertical strips over the first floor apertures, and the projecting awnings. Decorative wooden detailing is located just below the shallow eave. The street front reinstates the standard commercial design with a recessed, double-door entry which is framed by large, plate glass windows. Decorative shields ornament the fifth street elevation.

8. Construction date:
   Estimated: 1923    Factual: __________________________

9. Architect: Unknown


11. Approx. property size (in feet)
    Frontage 50    Depth 142
    or approx. acreage: __________________________

12. Date(s) of enclosed photograph(s)
    Mar. 1986

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The builder was the prolific William Radke, who constructed many of the commercial, as well as residential, sites, dating from the early decades of the 20th century. The significance of the building’s design is that it helps add the fourth design element in the city’s commercial core. To the mission revival, commercial and neoclassical forms of downtown Gilroy is added the Spanish colonial revival design.

The commercial use of this building from construction until the 1940’s was D.B. Parks Auto Trimming and Harness Shop.

Locational sketch map (draw and label site and surrounding streets, roads, and prominent landmarks):

NORTH

Sanborn Map 1888, 1908