IDENTIFICATION
1. Common name:

2. Historic name:

3. Street or rural address: 7511 Monterey Street
   City: Gilroy Zip: 95020 County: Santa Clara

4. Parcel number: 79900653

5. Present Owner: Mary Milius
   Address: 2175 Oak Knoll Ave
   City: San Marino Zip: 91108 Ownership is: Public Private X

6. Present Use: Loan Company Office
   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 site is a single-story brick building constructed on a rectangular plan and designed in a false-front commercial style with the standard design features which characterize the lesser buildings of Gilroy's central business district. The brick has been plastered over with a large plastic sign distinguishing the facade. The varied roofline steps up at the center of the street facade in the manner of the 19th century false front wooden commercial architecture of the west. The recessed entry is flanked by large picture windows.

8. Construction date:
   Estimated 1930 Factual

9. Architect Unknown

10. Builder Unknown

11. Approx. property size (in feet)
    Frontage 21 Depth 142
    or approx. acreage

12. Date(s) of enclosed photograph(s)
    Mar. 1986
13. Condition: Excellent ___ Good ___ Fair ___ Deteriorated ___ No longer in existence ___

14. Alterations: facade and storefront

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: 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 building reinforces the size, scale and design of the majority of remaining structures in the city's commercial core. While not distinctive in and of itself, seen in the context of the existing urban form, the structure helps in the unification of the central commercial district.

This was, in 1931, the first location of F.W. Woolworth on Monterey Street.

20. Main theme of the historic resource: (If more than one is checked, number in order of importance.)
   Architecture ___ 1. Arts & Leisure ___
   Economic/Industrial ___ 2. Exploration/Settlement ___
   Government ___ 3. Military ___
   Religion ___ 4. Social/Education ___

21. Sources (List books, documents, surveys, personal interviews and their dates).
   - Gilroy Museum Files - Monterey Street
   - Sanburn Map 1888, 1908, 1926

22. Date form prepared ___ April 1986
   By (name) ___ The Firm of ___
   Organization ___ BONNIE L. BAMBURG ___
   Address ___ 247 N. Third Street ___
   City ___ San Jose, CA ___ Zip 95112 ___
   Phone ___ (408) 971-1421 ___

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