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 UTM: A 10/627334/4096612 C \_\_\_\_\_  
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### HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY

#### 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 Milias 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 1920 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 X 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 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.)

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 \_\_\_\_\_ Military \_\_\_\_\_  
Religion \_\_\_\_\_ Social/Education \_\_\_\_\_
21. Sources (List books, documents, surveys, personal interviews and their dates).  
Gilroy Museum Files - Monterey Street  
  
Sanborn Map 1888, 1908, 1926
22. Date form prepared April 1986  
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