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HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY

IDENTIFICATION

1. Common name: \_\_\_\_\_
2. Historic name: \_\_\_\_\_
3. Street or rural address: 7515 Monterey Street  
 City Gilroy Zip 95020 County Santa Clara
4. Parcel number: 79900652
5. Present Owner: Richard Patterson Address: 7515 Monterey Street  
 City Gilroy Zip 95020 Ownership is: Public \_\_\_\_\_ Private X
6. Present Use: Music Store Original use: Commercial

DESCRIPTION

- 7a. Architectural style: Commercial
- 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 rectangular shaped single story brick commercial structure which has been somewhat altered on the street facade by using aluminum siding and aluminum/plastic signing. The most distinctive feature of the structure is the variated parapet along the roofline of the building which is in the shape of an elongated, arched brick band. The cornice is composed of bricks placed in a right angle to the horizontal placement of the facade wall. Aluminum siding covers the building 1/3 of the way down the street facade to the sidewalk level. The entry is deeply recessed and composed of large plate glass set in aluminum frames. A multi-colored aluminum awning adds the final touch of alteration to the building. Here again, as with many similar sites in the commercial core, the alteration has adversely affected the design quality of the structure, but has not altered the basic composition of the building. Even with its altered looks, the building helps define the old Gilroy commercial business district.



8. Construction date:  
 Estimated 1900 Factual \_\_\_\_\_
9. Architect Unknown
10. Builder Unknown
11. Approx. property size (in feet)  
 Frontage 25 Depth 142  
 or approx. acreage \_\_\_\_\_
12. Date(s) of enclosed photograph(s)  
Mar. 1986

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13. Condition: Excellent \_\_\_ Good X Fair \_\_\_ Deteriorated \_\_\_ No longer in existence \_\_\_
14. Alterations: 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.)

This all brick building on Monterey Street in the business district of downtown Gilroy has a curved facade that is unique and important in the Monterey streetscape, now a divided structure it was originally one with 7517 Monterey Road.

In 1931 this was Heck & Bands California Market.

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

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