IDENTIFICATION
1. Common name: 
2. Historic name: Lilly's Auto Camp
3. Street or rural address: 8877 Monterey Road
   City: Gilroy Zip: 95020 County: Santa Clara
4. Parcel number: 79001536
5. Present Owner: Unknown Address:
   City: Zip: Ownership is: Public Private X
6. Present Use: Apartments Original use: Auto Camp (early motel)

DESCRIPTION
7a. Architectural style: Bungalow
7b. Briefly describe the present physical appearance of the site or structure and describe any major alterations from its original condition:
   Fifteen small cottages form a "U" shape with the owners house between the two legs of cabins. The square buildings are separated by a space where an auto could be parked. The two rows of cabins are connected by a continuous roof which extends to cover the walkway in front. Each cabin has a small gable over the entrance. A larger building of the same style faces onto Monterey Road (Highway). This was a service station and convenience store. All evidence of the service station are gone, only the building remains.

8. Construction date:
   Estimated: 926 Factual:
9. Architect: Unknown
10. Builder: Unknown
11. Approx. property size (in feet)
   Frontage: Depth: or approx. acreage: 1
12. Date(s) of enclosed photograph(s)
   Mar. 1926

JPR 523 (Rev. 11/85)
Forerunner of the modern motel, these early highway cabins may represent the oldest, unaltered motel in the Bay Area. "Auto Camps" first appeared in California in the mid 1920's. Located on what was once the main automobile route between San Francisco and Los Angeles, this one was operated by Allen and Alice Lilly from about 1927 until 1932. Each of the original 15 cabins was sparsely equipped with a metered gas, stove, double bed, table, one or two chairs, and a small toilet. Showers were available in a small building to the north.