

# HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY

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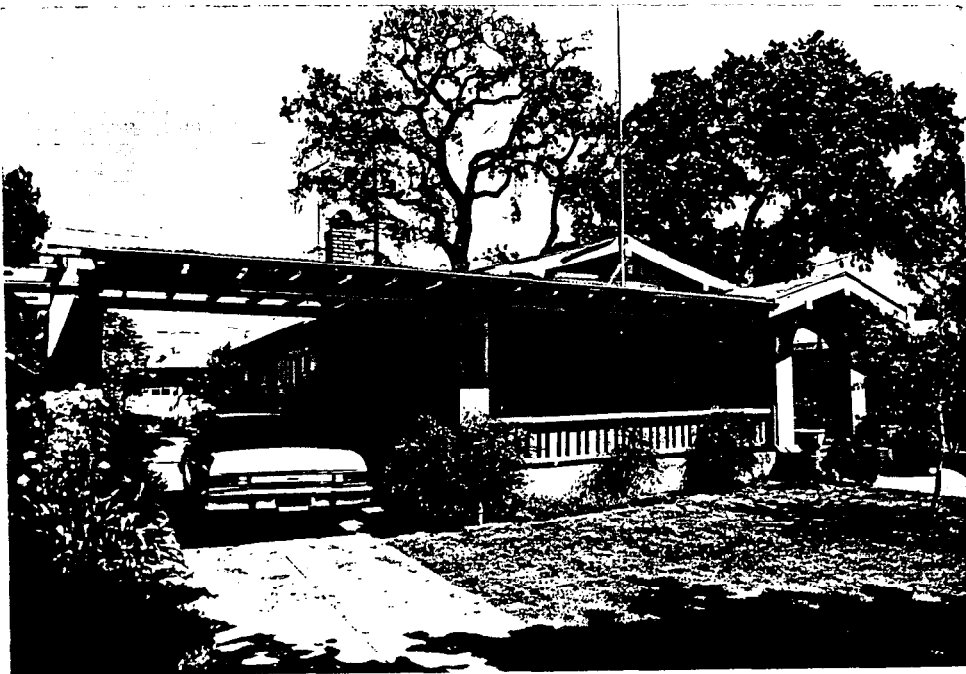
## IDENTIFICATION

1. Common name: \_\_\_\_\_
2. Historic name: \_\_\_\_\_
3. Street or rural address: 7870 Church Street  
 City Gilroy Zip 95020 County Santa Clara
4. Parcel number: 79900123
5. Present Owner: Gerturde Thomas Address: 7870 Church Street  
 City Gilroy Zip 95020 Ownership is: Public \_\_\_\_\_ Private X
6. Present Use: Residence Original use: Residence

## DESCRIPTION

- 7a. Architectural style: Bungalow - Mission Craftsman
- 7b. Briefly describe the present *physical appearance* of the site or structure and describe any major alterations from its original condition:

This stucco bungalow has a medium gable roofline with a smaller gable which projects over the front porch. There is stickwork in the main gable, exposed rafters and support brackets and a trellis extending above the driveway on the north side of the house. The recessed porch has arched entryways and wood slat railing.



8. Construction date:  
 Estimated 1920 Factual \_\_\_\_\_
9. Architect Unknown
10. Builder Howard Carl
11. Approx. property size (in feet)  
 Frontage 60 Depth 150  
 or approx. acreage \_\_\_\_\_
12. Date(s) of enclosed photograph(s)  
Mar. 1986

13. Condition: Excellent  Good \_\_\_\_\_ Fair \_\_\_\_\_ Deteriorated \_\_\_\_\_ No longer in existence \_\_\_\_\_
14. Alterations: \_\_\_\_\_
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?  Moved? \_\_\_\_\_ Unknown? \_\_\_\_\_
18. Related features: Large oak tree and redwood treed in back yard

#### SIGNIFICANCE

19. Briefly state historical and/or architectural importance (include dates, events, and persons associated with the site.)

The booming years after World War I were centered around agriculture in the valley around Gilroy. Food processing and the various related businesses grew and brought additional population to the area. Many new residents were people who valued the natural feeling of bungalows and enjoyed the comfort of a California style. Gilroy has retained a full range of bungalow styles that are concentrated in the area, bound by First Street on the north, Fifth Street on the south, Monterey Road and Hanna Street. Within the context of this area are found homes of industry employees, merchants, bankers, doctors, and education. A full cross section of community life is still visible in the size, style and complexity of these residences.

20. Main theme of the historic resource: (If more than one is checked, number in order of importance.)  
Architecture  Arts & Leisure \_\_\_\_\_  
Economic/Industrial \_\_\_\_\_ Exploration/Settlement \_\_\_\_\_  
Government \_\_\_\_\_ Military \_\_\_\_\_  
Religion \_\_\_\_\_ Social/Education \_\_\_\_\_
21. Sources (List books, documents, surveys, personal interviews and their dates).  
A Field Guide to American Houses  
McAlister  
Sanborn Map 1888,1908
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):

