United States Department of the Interior National Park Service

National Register of Historic Places Inventory—Nomination Form

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historic	Hotel Regis			
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3. Clas	sification			
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7. Description

Condition		Check one	Check one		
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Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

The Hotel Regis is located on a corner lot in downtown Sacramento in an area of commercial buildings of similar age and scale. The brick structure is four stories in height and almost square in plan. The ground floor has undergone remodeling over the years from a single commercial space to serveral shops. The ground floor is separated from the upper three stories by an horizontal projecting belt course with a swirl patterned terra cotta fascia above a dentil course. The upper floor windows are enframed with terra cotta molding surrounds and are grouped by twos and by threes. Elaborate decorations consisting of terra cotta ram's heads and floral swags are mounted at the fourth level on the building corners. The projecting metal cornice is richly ornamented with a decorative fascia, moldings, soffits, and scroll shaped modillions at the eaves.

In 1927, storefront remodeling took place which included relocating the hotel entryway from the "K" Street location to the llth Street side where it is today. The large showroom space on the ground floor was divided into a series of smaller shops, which have been subsequently remodeled over the years. The present arrangement is a glazed and tile storefront, a white and black tile commercial space (vacant), a marble and glass storefront (vacant) and a stucc0 and aluminum shop space.

The renovation plan for Hotel Regis by its present owners is to maintain and preserve the exterior appearance of the building, in particular the facade embellishments and to renovate the first floor store front to its appearance circa 1927 with double transom glass, removal of the 1940s-1950s storefronts and the reinstallation of the regular storefront window wall at the property/ building line. In as much as the upper floor entrance was relocated (1927) and is still in use today, the original upper floor entrance will not be replicated at the original "K" Street location. Instead, this original entryway location will be highlighted by an architectural treatment that defines this space with vertical and horizontal architectural features. The rehabilitation work is being performed in compliance with the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabititation.

8. Significance

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Specific dates	1911-12	Builder/Architect	Unknown	

Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

The Hotel Regis, built in 1911-12, is a notable example of its type and period. While its Renaissance-inspired design is interesting in the local context, it is the superb terra cotta detailing which clearly sets the building apart. The Hotel Regis is one of the few early 20th century commercial buildings remaining in downtown Sacramento which still retains much of its original architectural character and quality. The integrity has been compromised somewhat by ground floor alterations, but the proposed rehabilitation will largely recapture the appearance of the building as it was in 1927 by exposing hidden details and replacing what has been lost.

Owned originally by B. Frommer, this building was constructed in 1911-12 with commercial space on the ground floor and hotel rooms occupying the upper stories. The architectural character of the building is eclectic, drawing upon Renaissance Revival and Chicago School sources. The building is a two-part vertical composition with unusually fine ornamentation.

The proportion, form, material and fenestration of the building suggest the influence of the commercial renditions of the Chicago School. Renaissance Revival design sorces are evident from the general frieze and cornice composition and in detailing such as the dentil course. Probably the most important feature of the structure is itsxvery fine ornamentation. The elaborate metal cornice is highly notable, and the terra cotta detailing is exceptional. The building's ram's heads are unique among architectural ornamentation in this city.

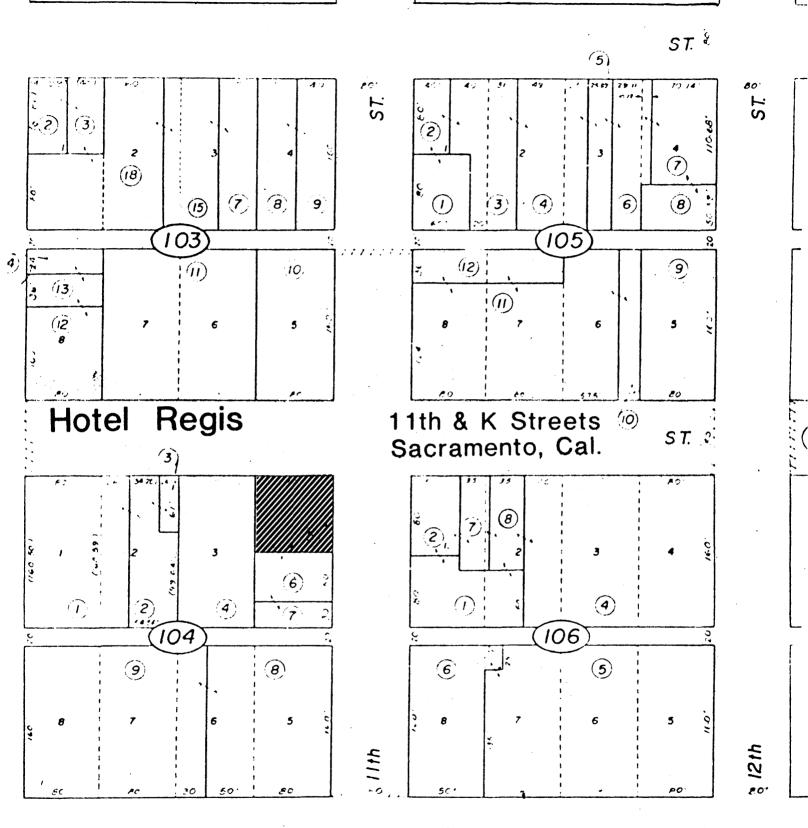
9. Major Bibliographical References

Sacramento Bee. Oct. 7, 1927.

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