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RESUBMISSION Florence MRA

Florence Union High School (South Main Street) Pinal County ARIZONA

This property was returned for substantive reasons. The reviewer stated that it is unclear as to the integrity of the wings on this historic structure and asked that a date and description be provided for these wings. The reviewer also stated that the impact of the additions on the historic integrity of the 1916 Neoclassical Revival school building should also be provided. Also, the reviewer asked that a map be enclosed indicating the separation of the historic core and the additions, along with a photo showing the entire facade of the wings.

For Item 7, the building is primarily significant for its historical association with the architectural firm of Lescher and Kibbey which dominated the design of educational buildings statewide. It is also significant as a well-preserved example of institutional architecture in the early statehood period of Arizona history. On the original inventory form it is stated that "new wings have been added." However, the wings in question are original construction; they are not additions. The inventory form has been corrected to rectify this error and is being returned, along with additional photographs and a map.

The only significant change on this building is the infill of windows inside the original central entry of the high school. However, since these windows are hidden by the columns and the semicircular arches of the arcade, they do not detract from the public view of the building nor do they interrupt the historic integrity of the structure. The window infill is considered reversible.

The boundary of the nominated area is described as a rectangle measuring 260 feet by 300 feet. The grounds surrounding the Florence Union High School are included in the nominated area and connect with Main Street on the east. Total nominated area is 1.7906 acres. The rectangle centers on the building and grounds as shown on the attached map. This rectangle includes the building, flagpole, and landscaping in the front of the building. This is not considered a "buffer" but is integral to the setting of the building.

I concur with the statements as presented in this resubmission:

State Historic Preservation Officer signature Revendent Title <u>Alternate State Historic</u> Date May 26, 1987 Preservation Officer

