

## 9. Major Bibliographical References

History of John W. Reedy by Isabel Satter, whose great-grandfather was a brother of J.W. Reedy.

## 10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property Less than one acre

Quadrangle name Beresford

Quadrangle scale 1:24000

### UTM References

A 

1	4	6	8	1	3	2	0	4	7	7	2	3	1	0
Zone		Easting				Northing								

B 

Zone		Easting				Northing								

C 

Zone		Easting				Northing								

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Zone		Easting				Northing								

H 

Zone		Easting				Northing								

**Verbal boundary description and justification** The Boundary of the J. W. Reedy House is:  
Lots 1 and 2, Block 2, original plot 70, City of Beresford, Union County.

### List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

state NA code county code

state code county code

## 11. Form Prepared By

name/title Phillip O. Peterson (with the assistance of Melanie Betz)

organization Friberg, Peterson & Travis date September 10, 1984

street & number 115 N. Third telephone 605/763-2107

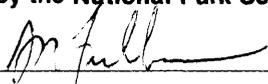
city or town Beresford state South Dakota

## 12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification

The evaluated significance of this property within the state is:

national  state  local

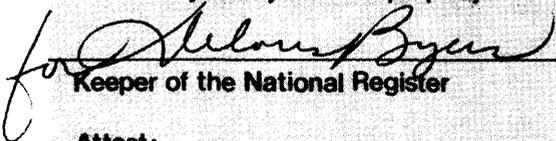
As the designated State Historic Preservation Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the National Park Service.

State Historic Preservation Officer signature 

title State Historic Preservation Officer, and Director of Office of Cultural Preservation date 11/2/84

### For NPS use only

I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register

  
Keeper of the National Register

Entered in the  
National Register

date 12-13-84

Attest:

Chief of Registration

date

# 8. Significance

<b>Period</b>	<b>Areas of Significance—Check and justify below</b>			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400–1499	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-historic	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500–1599	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> sculpture
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600–1699	<input type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> social/
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700–1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> humanitarian
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800–1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900–	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> other (specify)
			Associated with an important local citizen.	
<b>Specific dates</b>	c. 1895	<b>Builder/Architect</b>	NA	

**Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)**

The J.W. Reedy house in Beresford is significant for its associations with Colonel J.W. Reedy, an important local resident who contributed in many ways to the development of the City. As one of the largest homes in Beresford (-and the only one that could boast of having separate servants' quarters-), the building reflects the prominence of its original owner.

J.W. Reedy was an auctioneer who sold land in 35 states and in Canada. He owned 1,760 acres of land in the Beresford area and 50 acres within the City. Active in the Democratic Party, Colonel Reedy was President of the Beresford Town Council in 1900. He was very active in the Catholic Church (he had his own pew in St. Theresa's Catholic Church) but he also donated all of the land for churches of every faith in Beresford. Colonel Reedy helped to develop Beresford in many ways including important contributions to its schools, its churches and its public buildings. J.W. Reedy was also associated with many prominent individuals outside of the state. As a result of his friendship with F.W. Sargent, President of the Chicago and Northwestern Railroad, the C & N band came to Beresford for J.W. Reedy Day, one of three stops made in South Dakota to honor important individuals.

Replacing Colonel Reedy's first home, a 7-room frame dwelling that was the first permanent residence in the City (it was later moved about one block west), the J.W. Reedy house was constructed around 1895 on the first residential lot in Beresford. Colonel Reedy's house was considered to be one of the largest in the City and it was the only residence to have separate outbuildings for servants. Today, the house retains many of its original features including the brass fireplace in the living room, interior and exterior window surrounds, the tile floor in the bathroom, glass doors with original knobs, the open stairway with decorative newel posts, and the original overall plan of the house.

## 7. Description

<b>Condition</b>		<b>Check one</b>	<b>Check one</b>
<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> original site
<input type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> altered	<input type="checkbox"/> moved date _____
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed		

### Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

Situated on the southwest corner of Second and Cedar Streets, the J.W. Reedy House is a frame, two-and-a-half story rectangular dwelling with a one-story kitchen ell. Two brick chimneys and three pedimented dormers project from the cross-gable roof. One of the dormers opens to a balustraded porch. Machine-made scroll brackets support the overhanging eave of the east gable. Fenestration includes three entranceways, two-story bays on the south and east facades, an arched window on the north facade, a large rectangular single-pane window with transom on the front (east) side, bulls-eye windows in the north and south pedimented gables, and several double hung rectangular windows on all four facades. The original front and side porches have been removed.

Some of the original interior features have been retained including the brass fireplace, window and door surrounds, the tile floor in the bathroom, glass doors with original knobs, the open stairway with decorative newel posts (a few of the spindles have been removed), and the original overall plan of the building. Plans to restore the J.W. Reedy House include retaining all the original features but converting the home into three large apartments. This will be done without destroying the original character or plan of the house.

A summer kitchen/carriage house is located to the west of the residence. The rectangular frame and brick building has a hip roof with a small brick chimney. Across the street from the Reedy house on the northeast corner of Second and Cedar Streets is a simple frame one-story dwelling that was used as the servants' quarters (servants' house not being nominated).

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# National Register of Historic Places Inventory—Nomination Form

See instructions in *How to Complete National Register Forms*  
Type all entries—complete applicable sections

## 1. Name

historic Reedy, J.W., House

and/or common Same

## 2. Location

street & number 309 N. 2nd

NA not for publication

city, town Beresford

NA vicinity of

state South Dakota

code 46

county Union

code 127

## 3. Classification

**Category**

- district
- building(s)
- structure
- site
- object

**Ownership**

- public
  - private
  - both
- Public Acquisition**
- in process
  - being considered

**Status**

- occupied
  - unoccupied
  - work in progress
- Accessible**
- yes: restricted
  - yes: unrestricted
  - no

**Present Use**

- agriculture
  - commercial
  - educational
  - entertainment
  - government
  - industrial
  - military
- museum
  - park
  - private residence
  - religious
  - scientific
  - transportation
  - other:

## 4. Owner of Property

name Phillip O. Peterson

street & number 405 W. Hemlock

city, town Beresford

NA vicinity of

state South Dakota

## 5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Registry of Deeds

street & number Union County Courthouse, New County Courthouse

city, town Elk Point

state South Dakota

## 6. Representation in Existing Surveys

title NA

has this property been determined eligible?  yes  no

date

NA federal  state  county  local

depository for survey records NA

city, town

state