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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

Rudolph Latto House

AND/OR COMMON

Latto Hospital

LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

620 Ramsey Street

NOT FOR PUBLICATION

CITY, TOWN

Hastings

VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

First

STATE

Minnesota

CODE

22

COUNTY

Dakota

CODE

037 ✓

CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

OWNERSHIP

STATUS

PRESENT USE

DISTRICT

PUBLIC

OCCUPIED

AGRICULTURE

MUSEUM

BUILDING(S)

PRIVATE

UNOCCUPIED

COMMERCIAL

PARK

STRUCTURE

BOTH

WORK IN PROGRESS

EDUCATIONAL

PRIVATE RESIDENCE

SITE

PUBLIC ACQUISITION

ACCESSIBLE

ENTERTAINMENT

RELIGIOUS

OBJECT

IN PROCESS

YES: RESTRICTED

GOVERNMENT

SCIENTIFIC

BEING CONSIDERED

YES: UNRESTRICTED

INDUSTRIAL

TRANSPORTATION

NO

MILITARY

OTHER:

OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

City of Hastings

STREET & NUMBER

City Hall

CITY, TOWN

Hastings

VICINITY OF

STATE

Minnesota

LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Dakota County Government Center

STREET & NUMBER

Highway 55

CITY, TOWN

Hastings,

STATE

Minnesota

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

Hastings Community Survey

DATE

March 1977

FEDERAL STATE COUNTY LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

Minnesota Historical Society - Building 25, Fort Snelling

CITY, TOWN

St. Paul

STATE

Minnesota

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<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

The Rudolph Latto House is a large two and one half storey brick residence situated on an expansive corner lot at the southwest corner of the intersection of Seventh and Ramsey Streets in Hastings. Constructed in 1880-81, it typifies the transition of architectural design from the earlier Italianate to the Eastlake style. This transition is evident in the incorporation of the one and two storey bay windows, bracketted cornice and truncated hip roof with the irregular plan and the "gingerbread" of the later Victorian. These late Victorian features include turned porch posts, spindlework portiers, geometric panels and knobs attached to flat surfaces, and elaborate millwork gable decoration. The highly intricate front gable rises above the ridge of the main roof to convey an impression of attenuated verticality in this facade. In actuality, the gable is a high dormered porch which opens into the attic space. It is decorated with turned columns, fretwork-like barges, and a pendent. The roof boasts two metal finials.

Originally a single family residence, the Latto House was given to the City of Hastings in 1914 for use as a hospital. At that time changes were made to the original facility. No changes with the exception of the enclosure of the rear porches have been made to the exterior, and therefore, the building has retained original design integrity.

8 SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES 1880-81

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Rudolph Latto House is significant due to its transitional Eastlake style of architecture. The residence was constructed in 1880-81 by Mr. Rudolph Latto, president of the German American bank in Hastings.

At the time of his death Mr. Latto willed his home to the City of Hastings to be used as a hospital. In 1914 the hospital opened its doors after making several modifications to the structure. These modifications were paid for with a \$10,000 gift from Mr. Latto's estate.

Today the building is used by the City as a board and care home.

After many years of use and several modifications the Latto residence is still an excellent example of the transitional mode of the Eastlake style of architecture.

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Hastings Gazette newspaper files, Hastings, Minnesota.
 Dakota County Register of Deeds, Dakota County Government Center, Highway 55, Hastings,
 Minnesota

10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY less than 1

UTM REFERENCES

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ZONE		EASTING				NORTHING								

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ZONE		EASTING				NORTHING								

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Michael Landis/Hazel Jacobsen

ORGANIZATION

Minnesota Historical Society / Hastings resident

DATE

10 August 1977

STREET & NUMBER

Building 25, Fort Snelling

TELEPHONE

612-726-1171

CITY OR TOWN

St. Paul/Hastings

STATE

Minnesota

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

Russell W. Fridley

TITLE Russell W. Fridley
 State Historic Preservation Officer

DATE

2-2-78

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I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS PROPERTY IS INCLUDED IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER

ATTEST:

Watson Cole

DATE *5-23-78*
 KEOPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER
 DATE *5-12-78*

KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER