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DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

Situated on the northeast corner of the intersection of Grand and Concord Streets, the Stockyards Exchange Building is located in the heart of the central business of South Saint Paul. It was erected in 1887 according to designs by Saint Paul architect C.A. Reed. Stylistically, it is an example of the Richardsonian Romanesque. The building is four stories in height, and is constructed of masonry bearing walls with interior timber structural system.

The sloping site has contributed to the overall design of the exterior and interior arrangement of space. The contour of the site is such that the front of the building appears to be three stories in height with entry at grade, while the rear is actually four stories with entry at grade. The rear entry originally provided direct access to the Stockyards across the railroad tracks. This entrance has become secondary in recent years due to the decline in stockyards and railroad activities.

The exterior is of a stone base for the first two stories with face brick above. The windows are the original wood, double-hung units with stone lintels and sills. The roof is basically a hip roof of composition shingles with gable dormers centered on each side and turrets on each corner. The turrets are capped with painted galvanized iron domes topped with patina copper ferrules. The fireplace chimneys (two at each dormer) were removed around 1940. The exterior is in its original condition except for normal weathering and discoloration.

The interior is finished with hard wood strip flooring covered in some areas with composition tile or flooring, stained oak trim and wainscot, painted wet plaster walls and decorative, painted galvanized iron ceiling panels. A central lobby and staircase serves all floors.

No hardware, trim, window sash, millwork, flooring, ceiling, etc., has been changed in any manner except for some remodeling (mostly on the second floor) and that due to normal maintenance and repairs due to deterioration through wear and time.

The buildings mechanical and electrical systems have not been drastically altered - although they have been updated to some degree. They appear to be adequate for its present use.

The Stockyards Exchange Building has retained near total integrity with one obvious exception. In 1917 a six story office building was constructed immediately north of the original building. The purpose of this building was to provide additional office space for the stockyards operations. The annex is linked on each of the four floors of the original building by means of a narrow concourse.

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SPECIFIC DATES 1887-1977 17

BUILDER/ARCHITECT C.A. Reed

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Stockyards Exchange Building was built in 1887 approximately the same time as the Incorporation of the Saint Paul Union Stockyards Company. The City of South Saint Paul was incorporated by the Minnesota State Legislature in January of the same year. All these events were directly related to the development of the Stockyards and packing industry in South Saint Paul.

The site was apparently selected for its many geographical advantages such as; the recently completed Chicago and Great Western main railroad line, the Mississippi River to the east for drainage and barge traffic, artesian wells for fresh water supply, fine wooded bluffs to the west for residential development and the proximity to Saint Paul which was then connected by two steel bridges over the river and was experiencing a growth boom thereby creating a good labor market.

Meat packing became a major industry in Minnesota when the packers of South Saint Paul provided cash markets for livestock at stockyards where animals were sold. The industry realized a steady growth and in the early 1900s South Saint Paul was the largest stocker, feeder, and milch cow market in the United States and supplied dressed meats to a large part of the world. During this time approximately 4000 people were employed by these industries.

In its early days the building served the community in several additional ways:

A location for the first post office when it opened in 1888. It was then located in the lobby of the Stockyards Exchange Building and later moved to the basement before moving to another building.

One room was used for the regular City Council meetings until the first City Hall was built approximately two years later.

The first bank in South Saint Paul (Stockyards National Bank) was originally located in this building.

The upper floors were used for lodge meetings by the various community groups.

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The Stockyards Exchange Building is significant as the base of operations for the largest stock and meat industry in the United States at the turn of the century. The growth of the meat packing industry was a major influence in the development of the City of South Saint Paul, where more than 4000 persons found employment. Products from the South Saint Paul stockyards were distributed nationwide, winning Minnesota the title of one of the nation's leading meatpackers.

In addition, the Exchange Building was, and remains today, the major architectural element in the City of South Saint Paul. It has retained design integrity despite an addition to the north facade in 1917 and ninety years of constant use. It is an important local example of Victorian commercial/office architecture, and illustrates an ecclectic intermingling of Richardsonian and Queen Anne design motifs. Care has been taken to preserve the historic fabric and character of the building, a fact which is illustrated by the sympathetic design of the 1917 Annex in a manner which recognized the prominence of the 1887 design.

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Essentially rectangular in plan, the 1917 Annex was constructed to meet demands for office space not available in the 1887 building. Originally a bank occupied the lower two stories, and was entered from Concord Street. Brick, steel, and concrete are the principal materials of construction; floors throughout are terrazzo.

The major architectural design emphasis is confined to the Concord Street facade. The six-story height is divided into three sections, a feature common to the Renaissance Revival mode. The dominant stylistic element, however, is a two-story Neo-Classic Doric colonade, surmounted by an architrave and cornice. Each of the two sections above the colonade are five bays in width; the corner bays project slightly. Separation of the sections from each other is provided by stone cornices.

The building has been virtually unaltered on the exterior; the interior retains spatial integrity.

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